

DIRECTOR'S NOTE...

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AAO Executive Director

I can't believe it has been three years since I first saw **Febian**, in a very pathetic condition, standing on the side of the road in Freetown, Sierra Leone. She was about 3 years old then, **very malnourished (her hair had turned orange because of it) and she was just wasting away**. Her condition was so urgent that I had to stop the car to inquire about who was caring for the child. It took several minutes, but someone finally located her guardian. This person explained that they did not have the means to adequately care for Febian, and they would love to have help for her. They followed us to the Children's Center that day to start the process for Febian to live with us. Obviously, Febian has flourished since then. She's lost the orange hair, and become a healthy, happy little girl. She's one of the first to greet visitors at the Children's Center and is well-liked by everyone who meets her. **Febian is doing well today because you cared enough to make sure our work continues in Sierra Leone.**



There are many more like Febian, who owe a huge debt of gratitude to you. In fact, after researching through our records, we've discovered some amazing facts:

In the past 11 years, nearly 600 children have found a short or long-term home with All As One, we've medically intervened to help save the lives of 8,000 infants and children, and we've helped provide food, shelter, educational support, medical care and other basic needs to a total of 25,000 infants, children, women and families in Sierra Leone!

It's all because of YOU! **Thank you for your support in the past 11 years – and for your continued support today.** We are SO grateful!



Some of our older children have now graduated from junior secondary school and are looking to go onto senior secondary school. Since our All As One school only goes to 8th grade, our older kids will be going off grounds to attend school. This will mean transportation, lunch, school fees, books, uniforms and other additional costs that are beyond our regular budget. **If you can help us with a yearly school sponsorship (Dh 3300 a year per child), we would be really grateful!** Please write to us at info@allasone.org for more details.

One of our wonderful supporters, **Lorie Swift**, is holding an online event with **Avon** to benefit All As One – especially for the care of the infants in the hospital that need our urgent intervention. **Please click on <http://lorieswift.avonrepresentative.com> to do your Avon shopping, and 30% of your purchase will go to help out the critically ill babies in Sierra Leone!** Deliveries are shipped direct from Avon to customers. Orders exceeding \$30 will receive free shipping. In order for us to receive your support, please enter the promotional code: **ALLASONEBABIES**.

In the first part of December, All As One is having our second annual art sale in Olympia, WA. If you or someone you know has art that they can donate, please let us know! We are looking for donations of all types of art including paintings, photographs, jewelry, mosaics, etc. Please help us make this year's sale even more fantastic than last year! Email info@allasone.org for more information.

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And thank you to our regular monthly supporters, who make our work possible!

