

## WE ARE BACK!

We are excited to get back to work and have our activities up and running by the end of July! We are working very hard to ensure we are doing our part to keep our staff and the community safe. During these scary and unpredictable times, we've remained committed to helping children and families in our communities, so stay tuned to our page for more updates!



## NEW PARTNERSHIP WITH THE BRITISH HIGH COMMISSION

With the generous donation from the British High Commission, a water tank was installed at the respite home for consistent access to clean water, blankets were supplied to the LOH children in Mt. Hagen prior to the cold winter months, LOH staff was trained in the Positive Parenting Program to then empower the LOH caregivers, and we were able to build on our administrative protocols through improved monitoring and evaluation tools.

High Commissioner Keith Scott was able to take part in the caregiver health education and pre-school literacy that Links of Hope conducts with enrolled families on a weekly basis.



## workplace giving month

Deloitte has a longstanding commitment to care for and give back to the communities in which they live and work.

In June, Deloitte chose us for the workplace giving month and made a positive impact through corporate donations.

Thank you Deloitte PNG!



## WOMEN FOR HEALTH: COMMUNITY HEALTH CHAMPIONS

LOH has received a grant from Canada Fund for Local Initiatives (CFLI) to run a community-engagement program from July 2020 to February 2021.

The program "Women for Health: Community Champions" targets women as leaders in the community to create greater agency over healthcare decision making and reduce stigma.

Activity supported by the  
Canada Fund for Local Initiatives  
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# What does COVID-19 mean for LOH?

As cases continue to increase in PNG, reaching a total of 63 case, our dedicated team is working around the clock to make sure that those most vulnerable do not suffer at the hands of the pandemic.

We continue to operate the Hotline and keep close communication with our caregivers.

Now more than ever, we need your help. We understand that not only are global healthcare systems suffering, but so is the economy. As a small community organisation, that means we are taking a significant hit as sponsors are not able to support us during these difficult times.

However, we also know that our communities need us now more than ever because health resources are being reallocated.

Please considering making an additional donation this month or sponsoring a second child. Every bit counts!

[Click here](#) if you want to play your part!

## REMEMBER:

Wear your face mask at all time



Cover your coughs and sneezes



Wash your hands with soap regularly



## Staff Spotlight: Lucy Ruderman



Big thanks to Lucy for her hard work with LOH. We wish her all the best as she makes the move back to the US where she will begin her Masters in Public Health.

Papua New Guinea bai misim yu, lukim yu bihain!

## Did you know...



Around **45,000** people live with HIV in PNG



Over **15,000** children have been orphaned due to the HIV epidemic in PNG



Only **37%** of children living with HIV in PNG are on medication

**30%** increase in new HIV infections **between 2010 and 2019** in PNG

## Remember our new location

Thanks to the generous sponsorship of Pacific Palms Property, a Steamships company, Links of Hope will now be run out of **Downtown Plaza, opposite the Grand Papua Hotel in the Town area of Port Moresby**. Having a static facility to call our own is an important step in expanding the reach and maximizing the impact of Links of Hope.

We have a dedicated team who you can find at the office from Monday-Friday, 9am-4pm.

Come pay us a visit!

