DIRECTOR’S NOTE
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AAO Executive Director

The summer months are upon us, which is happy news for most! Unfortunately, for All As One, this season generally means a further drop in funding — and we really need your help to keep that from happening this year.

In the reality of our shrinking budget, I find myself overwhelmed with concerns for the children. How can we make sure they are fed every day? How can we buy the clothing they urgently need? What happens the next time one of them needs to go to the hospital? All of this takes money, and we’re running out of that.

Since beginning this work in 1997 — 20 years ago! — the children’s needs have always been urgent. But never more so than now. Our funding is a third of what it used to be, and we’ve cut every corner we can. We’re down to covering the bare minimum, and even that is becoming difficult. For the children’s sake, something must change.

I understand that Sierra Leone feels far away, and it doesn’t make news headlines most of the time. But these children and their needs are real. If you can help, in big or small ways, please do so now. And thank you, again, for being the ones who keep us going!

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