

A True Christmas Project 2013

Snapshot of the GoFundMe campaign page as it stood when archived.

\$2,876

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118

DONATIONS

Organizer: Philippe Candido · **Location:** Belo Horizonte, Brazil

Original page: www.gofundme.com/f/atruexchristmas2013

CAMPAIGN STORY

Can you imagine being a kid and not receiving a single present from Santa? In Brazil, millions of children that live in the favelas "shanty towns" do not receive a single present on Christmas day.

I would like to invite you once again this year to make sure that these Brazilian children receive a present on Christmas day. In 2012, we were able to raise a total of \$1,475 which was enough to buy presents for over 2,200 children! I will be traveling to Brazil this Christmas and I need your help again to get these kids some presents.

Together, we can support my family's "A True Christmas" project by raising funds to buy simple but meaningful presents for the children. Plastic soccer balls, dolls, hula-hoops and plastic trucks will be given out to the children on Christmas day.

Your contribution, any amount, will make a tremendous difference. A \$2 donation, for instance, is enough to buy presents for 3 children! My uncle started this project in 1997 and I have had the fantastic opportunity to help out many times while I lived in Brazil and when I visited during the holidays.

Please check out the blog, videos and pictures from previous years. Additionally, please check out our interview with NBC Boston in 2012.

Note: All funds raised here will be sent to my uncle in Brazil to buy presents for the children. He started this project with family, friends and friends of friends in 1997. This is not tax-deductible. My idea is that this personal fund will make it easier for my friends to donate to this project organized by my family. Please let me know if you have any questions. I will keep everyone updated with pictures and videos from the day of the event!

Even if you are unable to donate this year, thank you for reading about my family's Christmas project for the impoverished children of Brazil!

Thank you in advance. Happy Holidays!

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