



August was a powerful month here at SolarBuddy! We led a hands-on STEM education workshop in Papua New Guinea, shipped 9,997 solar solutions around the world, and witnessed our devices supporting Cambodia communities displaced by conflict.

Read more about our impact throughout August!

Powering Emergency Relief in Cambodia



Humanitarian Distribution by CRST in Ruk Taek District

Along the Cambodia-Thailand border, ongoing tensions and conflict have forced families to leave their homes, seeking safety and refuge in rural pagodas around Siem Reap. For these families, displacement isn't just the loss of their home, but the loss of routine, safety and stability.

SolarBuddy is responding through our distribution partner [Cambodia Rural Students Trust \(CRST\)](#). The CRST team are providing emergency relief packages for displaced families. Each pack includes a JuniorBuddy solar light, alongside food and other essential supplies. The packages bring comfort and safety to families facing uncertainty. Our solar solutions provide children a means to continue their studies and families can navigate nights safely in emergencies.

This effort is a powerful example of how our solar solutions can bring hope in times of crisis. It's exactly the kind of impact our [Disaster Response and Recovery Fund](#) makes possible. By maintaining pre-positioned stock ready for deployment, the Fund ensures families impacted by crisis aren't left in the dark.

Every emergency is different, but one thing is always the same: families need safe, reliable energy access.

With your support, we can continue to provide safe, reliable solar solutions for families facing crisis.



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STEM Education Workshop in Papua New Guinea



Airbus, Air Niugini, Paradise College and SolarBuddy teams supporting the STEM education workshop in Port Moresby, Papua New Guinea

As part of our [Pacific Program](#), more than 500 students at Paradise College, Port Moresby, took part in our STEM education workshop on August 21st.

With the support of amazing volunteers, students explored renewable energy, developed practical STEM skills and gained insight into careers in aviation. Each student assembled a [JuniorBuddy](#) solar light and gifted them to families living without reliable electricity in Western Province.

The workshop was made possible with the continued support of Airbus, as well as Air Niugini, and was enriched by Christopher Odorry — engineer and Paradise College alumnus. Christopher returned to his former school to inspire students with his own journey, sharing how STEM can transform lives and how education can light the way to opportunity.



Students with their assembled JuniorBuddy solar lights

STEM education connects knowledge with purpose and equips our future change-makers with the skills to contribute to a more sustainable and equitable world, both within their communities and beyond.

In an extraordinary full-circle moment, Christopher will also lead the distribution of these student-assembled lights to children across Western Province, ensuring that the gift of light is shared student-to-student.

We wish to extend a heartfelt thank you to Airbus, Air Niugini, Christopher Odorry, and all the students and teachers for making this possible 🧡

Reach out to find out how you can help support more STEM education workshops in Papua New Guinea or around the world.

[Contact us here](#)



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Make impact as a team with SolarBuddy LIVE

As we fast approach Giving Season, there's still time for company teams to make a collective impact before the year ends, whether it's National Day of Service, Giving Tuesday, end-of-year staff initiatives, or a simple moment to bring your team together around purpose.

With [SolarBuddy LIVE](#) our network brings the impact to you.

At your workplace, conference, or event, your people will:

- Build solar lights for children living without safe, reliable electricity
- Learn about the communities they're helping
- Feel proud to be part of something bigger

Experienced by thousands of staff in over 350 events across the globe in the last 12 months, it's turnkey, engaging, and deeply rewarding.

All you need to do is choose the date - we'll handle the rest.

Expand your impact as a team!

[View our Programs](#)



DLL team in Canada participating in an [Hour of Power](#)

Distribution Updates

Across August, a total of 9,997 solar solutions left our warehouses globally

- 4,949 left Brisbane for Fiji, Laos, Papua New Guinea and Timor-Leste
- 2,400 left Europe for Rwanda
- 248 left China for Myanmar and the Philippines
- 2,400 left the United States for Haiti



Inspired by these Stories?

Your support keeps the momentum going. With your help, we can end energy poverty and illuminate futures for more communities around the world.

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I'm endlessly inspired by the incredible support from our community. Together, we're not just lighting the way for children around the world—we're empowering them to dream, learn, and build brighter futures.

Thank you for being such an essential part of this journey.

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