



October showcases solar solutions in action across continents!

This month: Karen students using their lights after dark, why distribution readiness matters, and expanding reach across Latin America and the Caribbean.

Happy reading!

Lights in Action along the Thailand- Myanmar Border



Student reading with their JuniorBuddy

In August, we shared the story of 10 student leaders distributing JuniorBuddy lights to Karen students along the Thailand-Myanmar border. Their journey included river crossings, boat rides, and trekking through terrain that would challenge most logistics teams.

Now, we're delighted to share photos of those students using their [JuniorBuddy lights](#) to study at night!

These photos capture the impact: students reading and studying safely after dark, with reliable light replacing dangerous, inefficient alternatives in communities facing energy poverty and limited infrastructure.



Why Distribution Readiness Matters



The Fair Future Foundation and Kawan Baik Indonesia team preparing for upcoming distributions.

Every successful distribution relies on partners with strong operational capacity. Our distribution partners, [Fair Future Foundation](#) and [Kawan Baik Indonesia](#) demonstrate exactly what this looks like in practice.

Before distributing across East Sumba, Indonesia, the team prepared 2,224 [JuniorBuddy lights](#): checking each device, ensuring proper functionality, and confirming everything was ready for distribution. This attention to detail ensures our solar solutions create the impact they're designed for.

Fair Future Foundation and Kawan Baik Indonesia's capacity to manage distribution logistics is one of the reasons we partner with them. They bring local expertise, understand community needs, and share our commitment to delivering solar solutions to communities experiencing energy poverty.

Reliable energy access transforms household life. Children study safely after sunset. Families cook and gather without harmful fumes. Parents move confidently in the dark. Students gain precious hours for reading and learning.

The Fair Future Foundation and Kawan Baik Indonesia teams are now working to distribute the 2,224 JuniorBuddy lights across East Sumba, Indonesia.



Growing impact across Latin America and the Caribbean

Our [Latin America and Caribbean Program](#) continues to distribute solar solutions to communities across the region.

You may remember from previous Stories from the Field how JuniorBuddy lights reached Honduras despite delays from Tropical Storm Sara, or how students in Grenada's Carriacou and Petite Martinique received solar solutions through the [Lena Marshall Foundation](#).

With [17 million people](#) living without electricity across the region, our Latin America and Caribbean Program is expanding, and we're currently working across 6 countries with local partners who understand their communities' unique challenges.

[Explore the Program](#)



Students in Grenada with their new JuniorBuddy solar lights.

Distribution Updates

Across September,

- 1,000 solar solutions left Singapore for Cambodia
- 100 solar solutions arrived in Mexico



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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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