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# PITCH IN FOR BASEBALL SOFTBALL



Promoting positive youth development by giving kids in underserved communities around the world the gift of play.

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## About Us

#### Domestic & International Grants

#### Founded in 2005, **Pitch In For Baseball & Softball** (PIFBS) is a registered 501(c)(3) nonprofit that provides new and gently used baseball and softball equipment to boys and girls in the United States and around the world who want to play ball but lack the equipment to do so.

Over the past 13 years, PIFBS has given out more than \$9 million worth of equipment to help nearly 800,000 children play ball in every state in the U.S. and more than 100 countries worldwide. PIFBS utilizes four core programs to provide kids with the equipment they need.



## Disaster Relief Program

In times of tragedy, children are the most affected. Baseball can help to restore a sense of normalcy amidst the chaos. We have helped dozens of communities around the globe including NY/NJ following Hurricane Sandy; Joplin, MO; the Gulf Coast region; Japan; Houston, TX; West Virginia; Louisiana, Puerto Rico, and Caribbean islands.

In 2018, PIFBS completed its largest single project in organization history in the form of a disaster relief project in Puerto Rico helping 10,000 kids get back on the field. PIFBS has an application process for both domestic and international grant requests. Domestically, PIFBS gets new and gently used gear to baseball and softball programs to increase youth participation regardless of financial means. Internationally, PIFBS sends gear to many places where interest in baseball is growing rapidly, but access to baseball and softball equipment is limited. PIFBS is able to help baseball and softball programs start up by sending them all the necessary gear.

In 2018, PIFBS sent \$2.9 million worth of equipment to over 106,000 kids in 44 states, 2 US territories, and 37 countries!





Want to help kids play ball or know a team that needs equipment? Visit pifb.org or pifs.org to learn how you can help!

## School Based Program

Beginning in 2008 our School Based Program helps schools and districts continue or expand their baseball and/or softball programs and stretch limited budgets. The goal is to not only help kids take the field, but to also increase their attendance and GPA as a result of playing ball. In 2018, PIFBS helped over 3,000 kids play ball as a part of our School Based Program.



#### 2018 School Based Program Results

- Percentage of students that have never played baseball/softball before: **43%**
- Percentage of students that qualified for free/ reduced lunch: 88%
- Percentage of students that improved attendance: 65%
- Percentage of students that improved grades: 65%

#### School Based Program Participants:

