



## 2021 Year End Newsletter

Faksfoundation.org



Helping Kids  
Have Better Lives

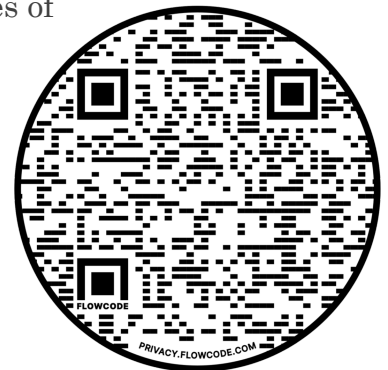


## We Couldn't Do It Without You!

This past year has been a busy one keeping up with our kids as they grow! Functionally Active Kids are just that, active! And as they walk, run and play sports they wear through their liners and rubber "feet" quickly. Thanks to your generosity we are able to keep them supplied with new liners, feet and check ups from the pediatrician and prosthetist. We have even been fortunate enough to reach out to new kids that needed a little support in getting on their feet! Your steadfast support is how FAKS is able to do this. Be sure to visit our website and Facebook page to see our latest video with messages of gratitude for your life-changing kindness from our kids and their families.

**Scan this QR code to Donate easily!**

Simply open your camera app on your smart phone and hold the camera up to the image, then open the link that



### Dani and Mario

These two buddies are from the same small town in Guatemala. Here, they are proudly showing off their prostheses.



**Meet Jesús Rafael**

Jesús came to us in the time of the pandemic. He was born without his lower leg but had adapted very well, sometimes using a crutch but often not. We had him fitted with his prosthesis and he proudly shows the box that contains the neoprene liner (imported from the US), which holds the prosthesis in place. The liners cost over \$500 each and each child needs two of them.



Osiel Angel is 5 years old and was born with spina bifida. He has little control over his lower limbs. FAKS financed an articulated orthotics that will allow him to walk using a walker.

Mario is a growing pre-teen, which caused the tibia to break through the flesh on the bottom of his stump. We feared the consequences of an infection.

On an emergency basis our team in Guatemala arranged to have the tibia reduced by over an inch in a private hospital. This is the third (hopefully the last) time Mario has had to go through this procedure. He is now up on both legs living the active life of a normal 12 year old.

