CNCF Annual Report 2023





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VISION

A united world where every child is free from suffering, poverty, exploitation, fear, and oppression. A world where children not only know their fundamental human rights but are empowered to exercise them. We envision a future where every child has the opportunity to thrive and live with dignity and hope, and ensure no child is left behind in the pursuit of a better tomorrow.



MISSION

The Christina Noble Children's Foundation (CNCF) is dedicated to serving the physical, medical, educational and emotional needs of vulnerable children. We believe that every child is an individual who deserves love, respect and freedom from all forms of abuse and exploitation. We establish long-term relationships with the children we support and empower them to live happy, emotionally rich, and independent lives.



VALUES



Our values embody the core beliefs that guide our actions and decisions. We are driven by Love, Compassion, and Respect for every child and community we serve. We uphold Honesty and Integrity in all that we do, ensuring transparency and trust. We are committed to Accountability taking responsibility for our impact and continuously striving to make a lasting difference. These values are the foundation of our mission to empower and protect vulnerable children worldwide.



As we reflect on the challenges and triumphs of 2023, it is clear that Christina Noble Children's Foundation (CNCF) has navigated unprecedented times this year with continued resilience and innovation. Like all NGOs worldwide, we faced rapidly shifting donor behaviours, political uncertainties, and the profound and catalytic impacts of global crises including wars and natural disasters. These challenges strained our resources, yet through adaptability and determination from our dedicated teams, we have sustained our humanitarian mission.

CNCF continues to provide crucial and life-saving support to thousands of vulnerable children and families annually. Guided by my mother, CNCF Founder Christina Noble's, enduring philosophy, our devoted teams in Vietnam and Mongolia illuminate lives daily, transforming futures with unwavering commitment and through the generous support of our global community.

In 2023 alone, CNCF touched the lives of over 50,000 individuals through progressive education services, quality healthcare, and sustainable community development initiatives. Beyond our core programmes, we also achieved significant milestones, including the delivery of Mongolia's first international psychology conference on childhood trauma, drawing specialists and leaders in mental health from around the world. In addition, through sustainable impact partnerships we were able to construct vital community bridges in the Mekong region in Vietnam facilitating safe travel for children to school and connecting communities to essential services and opportunities. Additionally, we completed construction and renovations on kindergarten facilities in vulnerable ethnic minority regions, ensuring safer learning environments for highly vulnerable children. 2023 also witnessed the official launch of our transformative Christina Noble Education Programme with our first cohort of students. This unique initiative addresses the skills gap among graduates, empowering future entrepreneurs and employees, and breaking the cycle of poverty that afflicts millions.

None of these achievements would be possible without the steadfast support of our global network of supporters. Your generosity and dedication fuel our mission and inspire us daily. Your support is more than a contribution; it's an investment into an adaptable, ethical, and inclusive future for the children of our world and the generations yet to come. We are committed to scaling these impacts, maintaining your trust, and enhancing our foundational principles.

With profound gratitude, we look forward to your continuing partnership in our transformative journey, already spanning over 34 years. Thank you.

Helenita Noble MBE CEO



Christina Noble OBE is a staunch unorthodox champion of children's rights. Born in 1944 in the slums of Dublin, Ireland, Christina faced adversity from an early age. Following the death of her mother, Christina spent her childhood in dire circumstances, surviving years spent in poverty, industrial schools and orphanages. Christina knows first-hand what it is like to be denied her basic human rights, to be isolated, marginalised and to survive on the streets. This adversity in her young life instilled in her a lifelong passion for children's rights.

OUR FOUNDER Arriving in Vietnam in 1989, Christina saw thousands of children roaming the streets in extreme poverty after the horrific effects of a decades-long war. Christina knew she had to do something to help these children. The Christina Noble Children's Foundation (CNCF) was later established, and to this day, continues to support many of Vietnam's most vulnerable children and communities across education, healthcare and community development.

In 1997, Christina travelled to Mongolia and saw first-hand the deprivation and poverty left behind after the withdrawal of the Soviet Union and the socio-economic collapse of the country, where children roamed the streets in their thousands, seeking food and shelter from the bitterly cold winters of -30 degrees and down in the sewers, manholes below the city streets. Christina expanded CNCF's operations to help the thousands of children forced to live on the dilapidated, freezing streets of Ulaanbaatar.



The Christina Noble Children's Foundation (CNCF) is a multi-award-winning foreign NGO committed to fostering sustainable change for children and their communities in Asia. Established in 1989 in Vietnam and expanding to Mongolia in 1997, CNCF is proud to be the longest-serving foreign children's NGO in both countries, earning respect and recognition for our collaborative efforts with local communities.

Since our inception, we have partnered with stakeholders to launch over 180 programmes focused on child protection, education, healthcare, community development, and rural capital assistance. Together, we have directly assisted more than 900,000 children living in poverty and positively impacted the lives of over 2 million individuals collectively, creating a ripple effect of transformation across generations.

As a **third-generation family foundation**, CNCF actively engages with local partners and community leaders—for some of whom were once beneficiaries of our support as disadvantaged youth. Our ongoing advocacy for children's rights strengthens our collective mission to break the cycle of generational poverty for good and drive meaningful social change in the regions we serve.



Central to CNCF's approach is our commitment to holistic childhood development, which recognises and respects the unique needs of each individual. Our programmes are co-designed with community input to nurture young people, ensuring that their physical and emotional well-being is prioritised alongside their personal growth.



CNCF addresses poverty at the grassroots level, focusing on creating a nurturing and stimulating environment for comprehensive personal development. We collaborate closely with local partners, providing both residential and outreach support to ensure that every child in our care has access to critical, high-quality resources and compassionate care.

WHERE WE **WORK**

CNCF is a British Registered Charity licenced to operate as a foreign NGO in Vietnam and Mongolia. Our administration head office is located in Hong Kong, and we have partner fundraising and child sponsorship administration offices in Australia, France, Ireland, Italy, New Zealand (managed by our Australia office), the United States and the United Kingdom.











In Vietnam, in 2023, we worked in Ho Chi Minh City and the following provinces:

- · Lam Dong Province
- · Dong Nai Province
- · Tay Ninh Province
- · Long An Province
- · Ben Tre Province
- · Dong Thap Province
- · Hau Giang Province
- · Kien Giang Province
- · Ca Mau Province

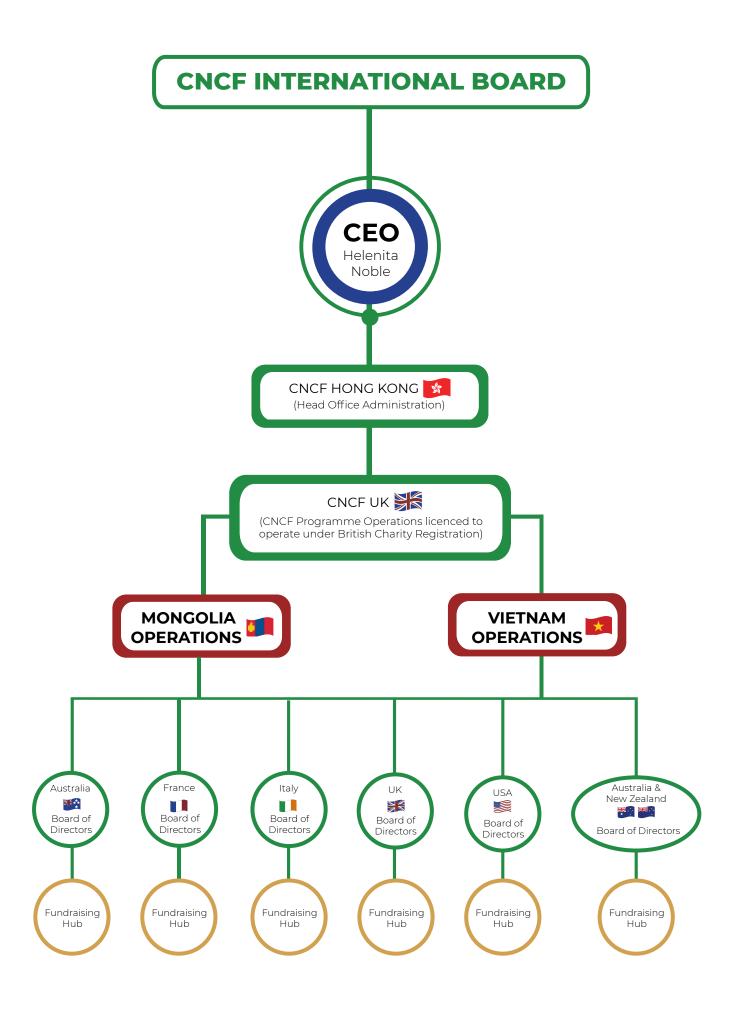


In Mongolia, in 2023, we worked in the nine districts of Ulaanbaatar Capital City, and the following provinces:

- · Bulgan Province
- · Selenge Province
- · Orkhon Province
- · Gobi-Altai Province
- · Darkhan-Uul Province
- · Umnugobi Province
- · Khuvsgul Province
- · Zavkhan Province
- · Arkhangai Province
- · Uvs Province
- · Khovd Province
- · Sukhbaatar Province







2023 HIGHLIGHTS

In addition to the ongoing operations of CNCF's unique programmes spanning the delivery of progressive education, quality healthcare, and sustainable community development initiatives in 2023, CNCF also achieved notable highlights from its programmes. In Vietnam, CNCF officially launched its **Christina Noble Education & Personal Development Programme (CNEPDP)** with the graduation of our first programme cohort students. The graduation ceremony was supported and hosted at the British Consulate in Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam. Addressing inequality and the lack of essential skills among Vietnamese youth, CNEPDP adopts a comprehensive approach. It offers **Noble Scholarships**, financial support for underprivileged students; **Noble Fellowship**, a three-month intensive training programme preparing students for the professional world; **Noble Well-Being**, providing mindfulness sessions for self-awareness and emotional resilience; and **Noble Mentorship & Internship**, connecting students with professionals for practical experience and increased employability. By empowering these students and their families, we not only change lives but also pave the way for future generations to break the cycle of poverty and contribute positively to society.

Expanding further in education, CNCF continued to provide scholarships through CNCF's Education Scholarship Programme across Mongolia and Vietnam, as well as the **Christina Noble – Fulbright Scholarships** in Vietnam in partnership with the reputable Fulbright University Vietnam. These efforts are aligned with our vision of enhancing the quality of educational opportunities for promising and exceptional students from significantly disadvantaged backgrounds.

In Mongolia, CNCF completed the final phase of the groundbreaking **BayARTai Programme**, which empowers psychologists and professionals working with traumatised children nationwide through progressive Art Therapy training. This catalytic support will benefit thousands of children annually, promoting sustainable healing and growth while elevating the country's mental health standards. The programme culminated in **CNCF's International Conference on Childhood Trauma in 2023**, the first conference of its kind

in the country, held in partnership with **UNICEF Mongolia** and attracting psychologists and key decision-makers from Mongolia and around the world.

In 2023, CNCF's Medical Exchange Programme, in collaboration with programme partner **Operation** Childlife, also continued its impactful work in Vietnam and Mongolia where leading worldclass surgeons conducted life-transforming joint surgeries and shared expertise. In Mongolia, the Neonatal and Paediatric surgery programme at the National Centre for Maternal and Child Health welcomed our Medical Exchange Programme team from international medical exchange programme team who also participated in an International Seminar during their trip, alongside teams from Mongolia, Korea, and Japan furthering discussions on surgical advancements. The visit also led to the establishment of a simulation centre aimed at enhancing surgical skills nationwide and fostering collaborative research efforts.















OUR IMPACT IN 2023

In 2023, CNCF remained committed to supporting some of the world's most disadvantaged and vulnerable children and their communities by providing them with a strong foundation to thrive and opportunities to explore and achieve their full potential through our progressive Education, quality Healthcare, and sustainable Community Development Programmes.



were impacted by CNCF's Programmes across Education, Healthcare, and Community Development



2,400 CHILDREN were supported through CNCF's Education programmes



were supported through CNCF's Healthcare Programmes



42,887* CHILDREN

were supported through CNCF's Community Development **Emergency Relief Programmes**

*This number includes indirect beneficiaries of CNCF's Community Programmes.



CNCF AND THE UNITED NATIONS SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS

The United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) offer a universal framework for addressing global challenges and striving towards a more sustainable and equitable future for everyone. CNCF is actively contributing to these goals, particularly by addressing poverty at a grassroots multifaceted level. Our comprehensive initiatives include providing housing, supporting sustainable livelihoods, and meeting immediate necessities. By fulfilling these fundamental needs, we lay the groundwork for long-term stability and growth, aligning our efforts with the broader SDG framework.



In 2023, CNCF remained dedicated to advancing the SDGs, with a particular emphasis on...



In 2023, CNCF continued to combat poverty by providing essential resources to vulnerable communities. Our efforts included

the provision of safe and secure housing, as well as support for sustainable livelihoods. By addressing immediate necessities and focusing on long-term solutions, we aim to alleviate the root causes of poverty and improve the quality of life for those in need



Our focus on healthcare includes comprehensive services such as routine check-ups, medical treatments, rehabilitation,

preventive care and comprehensive psychosocial care. CNCF strives to improve access to quality healthcare for vulnerable children and their families, helping to ensure their physical and mental well-being.



Promoting gender equality remains a key priority for CNCF. This year, we ensured that both girls and boys had equal access to education,

healthcare, and other opportunities. Our programmes work to dismantle barriers and create an environment where all children can thrive regardless of gender.



We remain dedicated to tackling food insecurity by providing nutritious meals to children in our care. In 2023, CNCF ensured

that our beneficiaries had consistent access to healthy food, addressing one of the most pressing needs and contributing to their overall well-being and development.



CNCF is committed to providing quality education to vulnerable children and young adults. In 2023, we continued to offer educational

opportunities that support both academic and personal development. By equipping young people with the skills and knowledge needed to succeed, we aim to prepare them for a dynamic and rapidly changing world.



CNCF is dedicated to reducing inequalities by providing equal opportunities for all children and young adults, regardless of their

background. In 2023, we continued our efforts to support diverse communities and ensure that every individual has the chance to reach their full potential.



We believe in the power of collaboration to achieve sustainable solutions. CNCF works with international and local partners, governments, and stakeholders to enhance our impact. By leveraging these partnerships, we aim to create lasting change and address the needs of vulnerable communities effectively.

OUR AWARDS

CNCF is proud of the work we do in Vietnam and Mongolia. Our outstanding programmes and team have been recognised with numerous awards, including the following in 2023:

- CNCF Chief Executive Officer, Helenita Christina Noble, awarded the Member of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire (MBE) in Her Majesty's Honours list 2022 for her services to charity in Vietnam and Mongolia and receives by his Majesty, King Charles, in London, United Kingdom in 2023. The MBE recognises outstanding achievements for services to the community
- CNCF Vietnam awarded Vietnam Union
 Friendship Recognition for significant contributions to the sustainable development of Vietnam in 2023
- CNCF Vietnam awarded the Certificate of Merit from the People's Committee of Tay Ninh Province for contribution to the education of visually impaired children in Tay Ninh Province, Vietnam
- CNCF Vietnam awarded the Certificate of Merit from the People's Committee of Ca Mau Province for positive contribution to social affairs in Ca Mau Province, Vietnam
- CNCF Vietnam awarded for excellence in RMIT
 Green Sustainability Efforts
- CNCF Vietnam awarded in BritCham Vietnam's
 50th Anniversary recognition award at their
 'Great Awards 2023'

- CNCF Mongolia's Rehabilitation Centre awarded a Letter of Gratitude for CNCF's Youth Education Programme by Mongolia's General Executive Court
- CNCF Mongolia's Rehabilitation Centre for Youth Programme Consultant, Tungalag Damdinsuren, awarded Order of the Red Banner by the Labour Office of the President of Mongolia
- CNCF Mongolia's Blue Skies Kindergarten Teacher, Byambasuren Tuvjargal, awarded 'Best Creative Teacher' by Mongolia's Preschool Teacher Development Centre
- CNCF Mongolia's Accountant, Tsolmon Chuluunbat, awarded Honorary Worker by Mongolia's Ministry of Finance
- CNCF Mongolia's Procurement Manager,
 Ankhzul Enkhbaatar, awarded Honorary Award
 by the Ministry of Finance
- CNCF Mongolia's Blue Skies Ger Village
 Chief Maintenance Manager, Sainbayar
 Chuluunkhuu, awarded **Honorary Award for Public Maintenance** by Mongolia's Ministry of
 Construction in Urban Development

View full list of CNCF programmes and team' awards in 2023 here.







PROGRAMMES

Below is a summary of each of CNCF's Programmes. For detailed information on the full impact and model of each programme, please refer to the individual programme reports available on our website at www.cncf.org/report.



Child Sponsorship Programme

Mongolia & Vietnam

CNCF's Child Sponsorship Programme (est. 1997) provides financial and social support to children and their families living in extreme poverty. The monthly financial sponsorship covers the costs of education including tuition fees, school supplies, uniforms, and transportation to and from school as well as food, clothes, and extracurricular activities when needed. Children and their families also received medical and psychological assistance as well as additional self-development support. Since inception, over 53,970 children and young adults have been supported to remain in school and further their education.





were supported through CNCF's Child Sponsorship Programme in 2023

From Adversity to Achievement, The Power of Child Sponsorship

When Turuu* first joined CNCF's Child Sponsorship Programme (CSP) in 2014, he faced the risk of school disengagement due to his family's financial hardships. Now he is 20 years old, graduating with a diploma in mechanical engineering from the Mongolian Japanese joint KOOSEN college.

Turuu's father had left his family and he lived with his grandmother, disabled mother, and younger brother. Since joining the Programme, Turuu received regular health and psychological services through CNCF's Psychosocial and Healthcare Programme and became a member of CNCF's Noble Volunteer Club. Through CNCF's multifaceted CSP, he developed selfconfidence, refined his communication skills, and cultivated a genuine desire to assist others. During his studies at KOOSEN, Turuu excelled academically and personally. Successfully passing a job interview and examination, Turuu secured an internship at Santo Company in Japan, starting in 2024. This opportunity not only underscores his academic prowess but also his readiness to engage in the global workforce.

Turuu's ultimate aspiration is to leverage his education and experience to build a brighter future for himself and his family. He envisions a life where he can provide stability and happiness for his loved ones, breaking the cycle of financial hardship. His remarkable journey is a testament to hard work, the kindness of others, and its impact on a child's life.

*Name and identity changed to protect privacy



Christina Noble Education & Personal Development Programme

Vietnam

To address the critical issue of educational inequality and the lack of essential skills among youth in Vietnam, the CNEPDP newly launched in 2023 takes a comprehensive and forwardthinking approach. The CNEPDP provides Noble Scholarships, the provision of financial tuition scholarships to underprivileged students, Noble Fellowship offering training courses, seminars, and workshops that go beyond the traditional curriculum, preparing students for the complex and dynamic professional world, Noble Wellbeing offering mindfulness sessions to develop self-awareness and emotional resilience, and Noble Internship which connects students with professionals enabling them to apply their skills, gain practical experience, and increase their chances of securing meaningful, longterm employment. Launching with its first cohort of students in 2023, to date the Christina Noble Education & Personal Development Programme has supported and empowered students through progressive education and self-development services to date.













Education Scholarship Programme

Mongolia & Vietnam

CNCF's Education Scholarship Programme (est. 2001) provides financial support in the form of education scholarships to young people pursuing higher education and students who want to continue their studies but do not have the financial means to. Additional support in the form of guidance, career counselling, personal development activities and life skills training is also provided, ensuring students are able to reach their fullest potential in their education and future career. To date, the Education Scholarship Programme has supported 7,007 students to continue their schooling and pursue tertiary education.

A Heartfelt Thank You

"I am delighted to share my testimonial about how my life completely changed thanks to the help and support of CNCF. I joined CNCF's Child Sponsorship Programme in 2007 when I was just 7 years old. My father died in an accident when I was only 4 years old and my mother, who was left with 2 young children, was heartbroken and did not know what to do... Our living conditions was very difficult, it is hard to look back at this time.

After graduating from high school, I successfully applied for a scholarship through CNCF's Education Scholarship Programme, allowing me to study pharmacy at a private medical university. Now in my fourth year, I look forward to graduating in two more years and entering the workforce. CNCF's ESP relieved me of the financial burden of my studies and provided me with the opportunities to build confidence and access opportunities that I once only dreamed of. I am deeply grateful to the CNCF team... you have truly become my family and transformed not only my life but also that of my entire family.."

2023 Education Scholarship Programme Beneficiary

*Name and identity changed to protect privacy







Rehabilitation Centre For Youth Education Programme

Mongolia

CNCF's Rehabilitation Centre For Youth Education Programme (formerly named Boys' Prison Education Programme) (est. 1997) provides a supportive environment for educational, vocational and social development, facilitating a fresh start for vulnerable young people at the Centre who have mostly committed poverty-driven petty theft crimes. The programme plays an important role in the fundamental shift of a penal system from an exclusive focus on punishment and condemnation to a more empowering and progressive system of education and rehabilitation. Since inception, 1,368 young people have been supported by the Rehabilitation Centre For Youth Education Programme.









Blue Skies Kindergarten

Mongolia

CNCF's Blue Skies Kindergarten (est. 2000) provides early education, healthcare, nutritional and emotional support to young children who are residents of CNCF's Blue Skies Ger Village and children living in the surrounding Songino Khairkhan district area, Ulaanbaatar. To date, the Blue Skies Kindergarten remains the only free Montessori kindergarten in the country, supporting the well-rounded education of 1,456 children since its inception and laying the groundwork for their Primary School education.



Bicycle Support Programme

Vietnam

CNCF's Bicycle Support Programme (est. 2004) provides children, who are unable to afford safe transportation to school due to financial hardship and thereby at high risk of educational disengagement, with a quality bicycle of their own. The programme helps to improve a child's educational outcomes by increasing access to school, and a family's economic outcomes by reducing transportation costs. To date, over 2,050 bicycles have been distributed to children in need.







Arts & Music Programme

Mongolia & Vietnam

CNCF's Arts & Music Programme (est. 1997) provides the transformative power of arts and music to enable children to heal from childhood trauma by developing self-esteem, self-confidence, social skills and foster positive ways to express their feelings and emotions, explore their imagination and creativity and with time, develop into happy, fulfilled, and expressive young adults. Since inception, over 8,800 children have been empowered with the opportunity to heal and thrive through the programme.



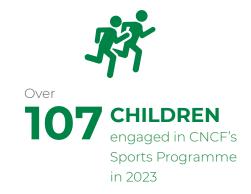
participated in the Arts & Music Programme in 2023



Sport Programme

Mongolia & Vietnam

CNCF's Sports Programme (est. 1997) provides children from disadvantaged and poverty-stricken backgrounds, with the sports and extracurricular activities that they would otherwise not have access to, to support their physical health, psychological wellbeing, and social development. Classes include Taekwondo, Judo, Swimming, Cricket, Archery, Basketball, Volleyball, and Football. The Sports Programme has supported well over 5,000 children to explore their sporting potential and enrich their physical health and wellbeing.













Healthcare & Psychology Programme

Mongolia

The Healthcare Programme (est. 1997) provides children in CNCF care and vulnerable community children with complimentary and professional medical check-ups, treatments and emergency care. On-site treatments for mild to moderate health conditions are provided by CNCF Doctors, whilst children with complex conditions are referred to a secondary or tertiary level hospital for specialised diagnosis and treatment (financial assistance is provided to ensure children are able to receive the emergency treatments they desperately need).

CNCF's Psychology Programme began offering psychological services to children in 2015 and evolved into a fully formed programme in 2022. Almost all of the children who come into CNCF's care are deeply traumatised and suffering from PTSD; all have either suffered or were at high risk of exploitation and abuse. Healing emotional trauma and empowering youth through education and care is at the core of our work. With little or no access to mental health services in Mongolia due to lack of funding and stigmas that exist surrounding mental health, CNCF's unique mental health team is providing critically needed support by professionals in this area to some of the most marginalised and distressed communities on our planet.



1,457 CHILDREN & ADULTS

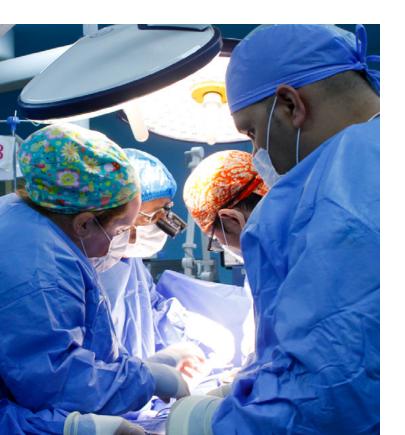
benefitted from the Healthcare Programme in 2023



1,537 & CHILDREN

& 687 ADULTS

benefitted from CNCF's Psychology Programme in 2023





Medical Assistance Programme

Vietnam

CNCF's Medical Assistance Programme (est. 1999) provides financial support to children (up to age 16) from varied provinces in Vietnam who travel to Ho Chi Minh City for emergency medical treatments that they are otherwise unable to afford. The financial assistance helps alleviate the family's burden of treatment costs for life-saving surgical procedures, post-operative care, basic medical treatments, social support and health insurance. Since its inception, over 2,450 children have been supported with medical assistance for emergency surgeries and medical treatments they desperately need to develop into healthy individuals.



29 CHILDREN received financial support for surgeries and treatments through CNCF's Medical Assistance Programme in 2023





Medical Exchange Programme

Mongolia & Vietnam

CNCF's Medical Exchange Programme (est. 2004) in partnership with Operation Childlife and the Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland was established with an aim to bring world-class medical expertise to Vietnam (est. 2004) and Mongolia (est. 2022) in the form of medical delegations that assess difficult medical cases and perform surgeries that were otherwise unavailable in both countries. The programme also brings key local medical staff to Ireland for intensive surgical training that they can apply in their home hospitals. To date, CNCF's Medical Exchange Programme has supported over 1,150 children, of which, over 585 children have been provided with life-saving surgeries giving them another chance at life.



received medical consultations in 2023 Among them, **12 children** underwent complex life-saving surgeries conducted by international pediatrics, and otherwise unavailable in their countries.

Sunshine Social and Medical Centre

Vietnam

The Sunshine Social and Medical Centre (SSMC) (est. 1991) is CNCF's flagship project providing dedicated life-transforming residential healthcare, nutritional care, physiotherapy-based rehabilitation, psychosocial care, pre-school education, and day-care services to babies and children ages 0 to 6 who are orphaned, abandoned, or come from impoverished families. Medical treatments are also provided to surrounding communities through a range of community outreach trips.

Since inception, CNCF's Sunshine Social & Medical Centre has provided over 1,700 vulnerable children with full-time residential care; over 2,500 children with day care services and early childhood education at our kindergarten and over 200,000 children with free examinations and treatments at our outpatient clinic and through our outreach programme.



35

RESIDENTIAL CHILDREN

were cared for at SSMC



were provided to children (aged 0-16) through our outreach medical trips



84

CHILDREN

attended Son Ca Kindergarten







THANH'S

JOURNEY TO HEALTH AT SSMC

Thanh* arrived at CNCF's Sunshine Social & Medical Centre at 19 months old after being abandoned and spending her early months in a local orphanage. Diagnosed with severe malnutrition and developmental delays, including an eye squint, Thanh's journey to recovery began with tailored treatments and physiotherapy. Regular case conferences monitored her progress, and she received glasses and respiratory care as part of her comprehensive treatment plan. Thanh now walks independently, speaks fluently, and enjoys contributing at the Centre. Her remarkable progress is a testament to her resilience and the dedicated specialised care of our medical team at SSMC.

*Name and identity changed to protect privacy





Blue Skies Ger Village

Mongolia

CNCF's Blue Skies Ger Village (est. 1997) provides both temporary shelter and permanent housing to children who are orphaned, living on the streets or are otherwise unable to stay at home due to a high risk of neglect, abuse, exploitation, trafficking, and threats of violence. The Ger Village provides residential care, healthcare, psychological rehabilitation, academic education, vocational training, personal and life skills development, and extracurricular activities for children to thrive and develop. Since inception, The Blue Skies Ger Village has supported 1,295 children with comprehensive childcare services and opportunities to heal, reach their fullest potential and become productive members of society.









MISHEEL'S JOURNEY

FROM HOMELESSNESS TO HOPE

Misheel* and her family faced homelessness after her father left, leaving them in an unstable environment. Concerned neighbours alerted the Children's Helpline when Misheel and her siblings were often left alone for extended periods. Following temporary placement, CNCF took over their care in 2021.

Initially traumatised and academically behind, Misheel and her siblings found stability and support at the Ger Village. Now thriving in a nurturing environment, they attend school, engage in extracurricular activities, and explore their talents. Misheel has excelled academically, discovered her artistic abilities, and participates enthusiastically in cultural and sports clubs.

Misheel embraces a rich variety of activities, from singing and dancing to taekwondo and sports clubs through the Ger Village. She is a supportive sister and expresses immense gratitude for the positive opportunities and nurturing environment provided by CNCF.

*Name and identity changed to protect privacy







Sunshine Homes

Vietnam

CNCF's Sunshine Home for Boys (est. 1994) and Sunshine Home for Girls (est. 1997) provide a caring home environment where orphaned, abandoned or children from highly vulnerable circumstances are safe and empowered with access to residential care, healthcare, academic education, vocational training, personal and life skills development, and extracurricular activities to lead independent and fulfilling lives. To date, the Sunshine Homes have provided 1,299 children including 760 boys and 539 girls with holistic child-centred support and a sustainable future.



Tay Ninh Residential Centre for Visually Impaired Children

Vietnam

Located in Tay Ninh Province, CNCF's Tay Ninh Residential Centre for Visually Impaired Children (est. 1999) functions as both a residential home and educational centre providing children with visual impairments and other disabilities with residential care, nutrition support, healthcare, education, rehabilitation, and vocational and life skills training. To date, the Tay Ninh Centre remains the only facility offering comprehensive care to an underserved and often overlooked population of visually impaired children in the province, assisting over 1,450 children and young adults since inception to become self-sufficient and independent individuals.





Capital Projects

Vietnam

CNCF's Capital Projects (est. 1997) empowers vulnerable communities with sustainable futures through the building and equipping of educational and community development infrastructure and provision of low-interest revolving finance loans. Since its inception, over 834,753 children and families have been impacted by CNCF's Capital Projects in Vietnam.

14,715 CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

benefited through the provision of water tanks, libraries, bridge and kindergarten builds in 2023 in addition to **21,267 children and adults** who indirectly benefited from these initiatives and from schools, kindergartens and playgrounds builds, water filter systems, swimming pools, and kitchens constructed in previous years









Give-a-Ger Programme

Mongolia

CNCF's Give-a-Ger Programme (est. 2001) provides homeless families and vulnerable families who are at risk of homelessness or living in dangerous and inhabitable conditions with a warm, safe, sustainable, and fully furnished ger (a traditional Mongolian home) of their own. To date, the Give-a-Ger Programme has supported 949 families with a high quality and comfortable ger of their own, enabling the families to flourish in a safe environment free from all forms of threats and able to rebuild their lives.





ACCOUNTABILITY

ACCOUNTABILITY TO OUR CHILDREN



Safeguarding Children

At CNCF, we strictly adhere to Child Protection Policies when working with some of the world's most vulnerable children. Due to the challenges posed by the cultural context of the communities we work in and the hostile environments some of our children come from, the measures we take to ensure the children's wellbeing must be solid and relevant to the different settings.



Visitors Policy

CNCF is committed to transparency, and we welcome visitors to observe our work firsthand. All visitors are required to sign terms and conditions, and are accompanied by authorised CNCF management staff during their visit.



Child Protection

All CNCF employees and volunteers must read and sign our Child Protection Policies as part of their employment contract. We ensure all CNCF members know how to respond to child safety concerns and encourage reporting of any misconduct to the Board of Management.



Photography Policy

For the safety and privacy of our children, photography is only allowed with authorised CNCF management approval. No images of our children or beneficiaries can be made public without the consent of CNCF, and dissemination must not infringe upon a person's rights, privacy, integrity, or dignity.

ACCOUNTABILITY TO OUR PROGRAMMES

CNCF adopts an inclusive approach to programme evaluation, involving all stakeholders including project management staff, local partners, project staff, CNCF children, and their parents/guardians. This ensures diverse perspectives, fosters knowledge sharing, and strengthens evaluation capacity. We conduct comprehensive assessments on both policies and management challenges, combining process evaluation and impact evaluation to identify issues early on and facilitate adaptive programme changes based on community needs. Impact is measured using both qualitative and quantitative metrics.

ACCOUNTABILITY TO OUR PARTNERS AND DONORS

We aim to maintain high levels of accountability and transparency in our operations through strict evaluation and reporting procedures. For CNCF-operated programmes, budget control is assigned to the accountant, project managers, and finance manager, ensuring thorough oversight and monthly review. Similarly, for programmes operated by our local partners, financial monitoring is rigorous, with monthly reports and budget analysis provided.

We are committed to transparency with all our donors, providing details on fund usage and inkind gifts and sharing the progress stories of our children and communities whilst respecting their privacy. We have an open-door policy, welcoming community members to learn more about our work. We only collaborate with partners aligned with our values and responsibly handle surplus donations, directing them to local underfunded orphanages and centres.

OUR POLICY



Health and Safety

We prioritise the health, safety, and security of our children and staff, providing them with social and health insurance. Volunteers and interns are required to be insured in their countries of residence before they begin work with CNCF and vaccinated against communicable diseases and infections. During outbreaks, affected children are quarantined, and our Centres are closed to visitors, volunteers, and project office staff whilst our medical teams take necessary precautions. Additionally, all staff undergo compulsory annual health check-ups.



Cyber Protection Policy

In response to cybersecurity threats and digital fraud, we introduce new payment processes, a crisis response plan, and enhanced security measures for our electronic systems. We appreciate the ongoing support of law firms and information technology/cybersecurity consultants in implementing these policies.



Privacy Policy

We are committed to protecting the privacy of personal information, and our updated Privacy Policy explains data protection practices and supporter choices. policy is available on our website, www.cncf.org.



Communications

We maintain regular communication with our staff, encouraging open dialogue through meetings and conferences. Our leadership team conducts weekly conference meetings, and partner office Boards of Directors meet regularly. We use English and local languages for internal communication and update our website and social media with news and updates.



Fire Safe

Regular fire safety checks and drills are conducted by the local Fire Departments to ensure the safety of our staff and children.



Anti-corruptio Policies

We have stringent anti-corruption policies in place, requiring all staff, including board members, managers, and volunteers, to understand and report any misconduct and malpractice.



Security

Security is paramount at all our centres and programmes, with cameras, guards, and sign-in/out procedures for all visitors.



In 2023, to deliver our programme services, fundraise, maintain profile and operate in accordance with good governance, our Foundation relied on 135 staff and 47 volunteers. 37 staff and 07 volunteers in our operational projects and office in Vietnam; and 76 staff and 04 volunteers in our operational projects and office in Mongolia. We had 13 staff and 28 volunteers in CNCF fundraising partner offices; 35 nonexecutive (voluntary) Directors who serve on the head CNCF International Board and 7 respective global fundraising boards who operate under their own legal jurisdictions.

To keep our children safe, we prioritise professional standards for all employees and volunteers. Our hiring process includes thorough vetting and probation periods. We support a healthy work-life balance and offer flexibility when possible. Training and development are essential, with regular assessments and orientations covering child protection, cultural sensitivity, and safety. Our diverse global team includes local nationals in Vietnam and Mongolia, and we actively encourage people with physical disabilities and CNCF graduates to apply for employment positions within our Foundation. We also believe that localising the local leadership of the Foundation and utilising the talent of our local staff makes our Foundation and our impact in the community more sustainable.

OUR PARTNERSHIPS AND PARTNERS

OUR PARTNERSHIPS

CNCF partners with a variety of institutions and receives grants that support our projects, programmes, and capacity-building initiatives for long-term sustainability. These collaborations also help raise awareness about our Foundation's work. We ensure that accepting these grants does not compromise our independent mission or jeopardise our integrity and reputation. Our goal is to foster long-term, close relationships with our partners and supporters by maintaining transparency and accountability throughout all stages of our partnerships.

CNCF collaborates with corporate partners who align with our mission to support vulnerable children and communities in Vietnam and Mongolia. These partnerships go beyond financial contributions; they offer a meaningful way for corporations to actively engage their employees, clients, and consumers in our cause. By working together, we provide our partners with opportunities to make a tangible impact, while also fostering a sense of shared purpose and social responsibility within their organisations. This collaborative approach not only enhances the effectiveness of our programmes but also helps raise awareness and build a stronger community of supporters dedicated to positive change.

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CNCF also collaborates with educational institutions to strengthen the capacity of our local partners. One notable example is our Medical Exchange Programme, which seeks to elevate paediatric surgery in Vietnam and Mongolia to international standards. Established in 2004 by CNCF in partnership with Professor Martin Corbally of Operation Childlife and medical teams from the Royal College of Surgeons Ireland (RCSI) and Bahrain (RCSB), this programme aims to enhance surgical practices and outcomes through cross-institutional collaboration and expertise.





PROGRAMME DELIVERY PARTNERS

CNCF is solely responsible for managing and overseeing programme funding. CNCF works closely with local government partners in Vietnam and Mongolia to implement our programmes, fostering mutual commitment and increasing the impact of our work. Through open dialogues, we address challenges, identify new communities in need of support, and facilitate capacity building for long-term and sustainable change.

In 2023, CNCF was privileged to partner with the following local government and nongovernment partners:

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- · ARKKI
- ALL (Authentic Live and Learn) -Mindfulness Self-Compassionate Centre in Vietnam
- · An Giang University
- An Giang University, Vietnam National University in Ho Chi Minh
- · Authentic Live & Learn
- · BOLISA Can Gio. HCMC
- Bureau of Labour, Invalids and Social Affairs of Can Gio District, Ho Chi Minh City
- · CRCC
- · Can Tho University
- · Children's Hospital No. 2
- DOET of Duc Trong District, Lam Dong Province
- Department of Labour, Invalids and Social Affairs (DOLISA) of Tay Ninh, Dong Nai, Ben Tre and Ca Mau Provinces
- ENCUBE LABS, US
- · Faculty of Medicine, VNU-HCM
- · Faros Training and Education, Vietnam
- Fulbright University Vietnam
- · Fulbright University Vietnam
- GCPF of Dong Thap Province
- · Gravity Water
- · HCMC Open University
- · HCMC University of Education
- · Ho Chi Minh City Child Welfare Association
- · Ho Chi Minh City University of Science

- Ho Chi Minh City University of Social Sciences and Humanities
- · Ho Chi Minh City University of Technology
- Institute for Leadership Development of VNU-HCMC
- · Lugdunum Judo
- Medical Faculty (Vietnam National University, HCMC)
- · Military Region 7
- · Nong Lam University
- PPC of District 10, HCMC and Chau Thanh District, Long An Province
- · RMIT University Vietnam
- TGM Research
- Tami Judo
- Thao Dan Social Protection Centre
- The Ministry of Labour, Invalids and Social Affairs (MOLISA)
- The People's Committee of Chau Thanh District, Long An Province
- The People's Committee of District 10, Ho
 Chi Minh City
- The People's Committee of Thanh Hoa District, Long An Province, and Lam Dong Province
- · Ton Duc Thang University
- · UFO of Hau Giang Province
- University of Economics & Law (Vietnam National University, HCMC)
- University of Economics and Law (UEL)
- University of Labour and Social Affairs (Campus II)
- University of Natural Sources and Environment
- University of Science (Vietnam National University, HCMC)
- University of Social Sciences & Humanities (Vietnam National University, HCMC)
- University of Technology (HUTECH)
- University of Technology (Vietnam National University, HCMC)
- · Vietnam Alumni Mentoring Network
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- Vietnam National University HCMC -Campus in Ben Tre
- Vietnam National University Ho Chi Minh
 City (VNU-HCM)
- Vietnam National University Ho Chi Minh City - Ben Tre Campus



- Vietnam National University, Ho Chi Minh
 City
- Vietnam University ILEAD Training Institution
- · Vietnam Women's Academy
- · Women's Union of Cau Ong Lanh Ward

MONGOLIA

- 29th, 58th, 67th, 76th, 102nd,104th, 105th,
 110th, 124th Schools
- 108 Child Detention Centre (108 Nationwide Helplines For Children)
- · 166th kindergarten of Sukhbaatar District
- · 29th Specialised School
- 40th Municipal Unit of Songinokhairkhan District
- · 40th Municipal Unit's Family Clinic
- · 4th Kindergarten of Chingeltei District
- 5th region of Bayankhoshuu Subdistrict
- · 7th bag of Darkhan-Uul Province
- · Australian Awards Mongolia
- · Australian Government
- Bayangol District and Bayanzurkh District Family, Child and Youth Development Department
- Business Department of Mongolian University of Science and Technology
- Department of Family, Child and Youth Development
- Education and Psychology Department of Mongolian National University
- Education Department of Songinokhairkhan District
- Embassy of Canada Canada Foundation for Local Initiatives
- Embassy of the Czech Republic in Ulaanbaatar City
- Family, Child and Youth Development Agency of Mongolia
- Family, Child and Youth Development Agency, Government Implementing Agency
- Family, Child and Youth Development Authority of Ulaanbaatar
- · Family, Children and Youth Department Songinokhairkhan District
- · General Agency for Labour Welfare Services
- · General Authority for Education
- · General Executive Agency of the Court

- Decision
- · General Hospital for State Special Services
- Governor's Office of Songinokhairkhan District
- Khan Uul District Family, Child and Youth Development Department
- Ministry of Labour and Social Protection of Mongolia
- Mongolian National University of Medical Sciences - School of Dentistry
- Nalaikh District Family, Child and Youth Development Department
- · National Centre Against Violence
- National Centre for Maternal and Child Health
- · National Dermatology Centre
- · National Emergency Management Agency
- National Police Agency Domestic Violence Division
- · National University of Mongolia
- National University of Mongolia Law School
- National University of Mongolia Law Practical Training Centre
- · Public School of Social Workers
- · Rehabilitation Centre for Youth
- Social Development Department of Songinokhairkhan District
- Songinokhairkhan District 40th Family
 Clinic, Child Health Centre, Civil Registration
 Department, Emergency Management
 Department, Family Clinic, Family, Child
 and Youth Development Department,
 Health 14th Centre, Health Centre's 3rd
 Laboratory, Informal School, Labour Welfare
 Services Department, Land Organising
 Department, Medical Centre, Police
 Department, 2nd Division, Specialised
 Inspection Department and Swimming
 and Training Centre
- Sukhbaatar District Family, Child and Youth Development Department
- The Child Development Palace in Mandal Soum of Selenge Province
- The Department of Family, Children and Youth Development of Nalaikh District
- The Family, Child and Youth Development Agency of Bulgan, Darkhan-Uul and Orkhon Provinces
- · The Family, Child and Youth Development

- Agency and its branches in the 8 districts of Ulaanbaatar
- The Governor's Office in Mandal Soum of Selenge Province
- The Secondary School in Bayanchandmani Soum of Tuv Province
- The Secondary School in Gurvanbulag soum of Bulgan Province
- Training Department of General Executive Agency of Court Decision Rehabilitation Centre for Youth
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- · Trauma and Burn Hospital
- Treasury Department of Songinokhairkhan District
- · Ulaanbaatar Education Department
- Ulaanbaatar Emergency Management Department
- Ulaanbaatar Family, Child and Youth Development Department
- Ulaanbaatar's Rehabilitation Centre for Youth
- Unur Bul Government Orphanage
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- Akhan Duus Mongolian Martial Art Association
- · Art Therapy Publishing
- · Artist Ginjin
- · Arts Council of Mongolia
- · Asian Medical Student Association
- Association of Mongolian Welfare Kindergartens
- · Association of Private Kindergartens
- · Barlo World Mongolia LLC
- · Bi and Ji Sofa LLC
- Bridge Group
- Bugat Resort
- · Buramkhan Company
- · Buuvee Cashmere
- · Caritas Mongolia
- · Children's Palace
- Creative Youth NGO of Darkhan-Uul Province
- · Damakia Meditation Centre
- · Deseret International Charities Mongolia
- Desert Rose NGO
- · Don Bosko Orphanage

- Education Network for Preschool aged Children
- · Encube Labs
- · Erdemtugs School
- Etugen University
- · Express Laboratory
- · Focus on the Family Mongolia
- · Food and Technology Polytechnic College
- Foundation of UlsBold
- · Gal-Gerel LLC
- · German Sparkassenstiftung Mongolia
- · Gold Father Restaurant
- · Golomt Bank
- · Green Gates International
- · Gurvan Gal Hospital
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- · Human Rights Commission
- · Institute of Applied Psychology Mongolia
- · Intermed Hospital
- · International Children's Camp Nairamdal
- International Development Law Organisation
- · Khan Bank
- · Khan Chandmani Sports Hall
- · Khanchandmani Sports Centre
- · Khas Bank
- · Khuukhdiin Bayasgalan NGO
- · Kyunghee Taekwondo Club
- · Lantuun Dohio NGO
- · Lugdunum Judo Club
- Maks Group
- · Manaa Orphanage
- · Mandal Risk School
- · Misheel Kids Foundation
- Mobicom Corporation
- · Mongolian Bar Association
- · Mongolian Family Welfare Society
- Mongolian National Chamber of Commerce and Industry
- · Mongolian Psychologists Association
- · Mongolian Taekwondo Association
- Mongolmilk LLC
- Monos Pharmacy
- · Montessori Development Centre

- Moon Dance Dance Club
- Motivation Club
- · Nairamdal International Children's Camp
- · Nalaikh Polytechnical College
- Nano International
- · National Centre of Psychology
- Nelumbo Stiftung
- · New Press LLC
- Next electronics
- One Sky Mongolia Non-governmental organisation
- · Onosh-Med Laboratory
- · Operation Childlife
- Policy Centre
- · Premium Dental Clinic
- Psychology Publishing
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- Water Sports Association of Sukhbaatar District
- · Western Football Club
- Women's Political Leadership Programme (WPLP), 2023 cohort
- · Young Social Workers' Club
- · Zorig Foundation



"The ORFL is thoroughly impressed with the work of CNCF. The Foundation has created a nurturing, safe environment that empowers children through education and love. Their tireless efforts to provide comprehensive healthcare and other essential services to vulnerable children are truly admirable. We were also pleased that CNCF has implemented a holistic programme to support their older youth, helping them find mentors, internships, and job opportunities for their future. We are proud to be partners of this remarkable organisation and its impactful mission."

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"The success of CNCF and their BayARTai Programme and its contributions to the field of psychology were evident during this event. We look forward to continued collaboration and further accomplishments in the future. Expressing our delight with this joint effort, we wish the CNCF team the best of luck and success in their endeavours. Working with you has been a pleasure. Your cohesive and collaborative team is truly commendable. On behalf of Mongolian psychologists and personally, I extend my heartfelt thanks."

Batsukh. Sh, Ph.D., Head of the Mongolian Association of Psychologists (MN)

"Harbour Energy has proudly partnered with CNCF since 2018, supporting their vital work in providing educational and living expenses for children, as well as community development projects such as bridge construction and environmental initiatives in the Mekong Delta. CNCF's dedication to creating positive, inspiring impacts in underprivileged communities aligns closely with our CSR values, and we are delighted to support their remarkable efforts."

Gary Selbie, Vietnam Country Manager, Harbour Energy (UK/VN)

"In 2023, PACCOM received cooperation from CNCF to organise an important diplomatic meeting hosted by the Vietnamese Embassy in the UK and PACCOM in London. Mr. Nguyen Ngoc Hung, chairman of PACCOM, greatly appreciated CNCF's support in Vietnam and in the UK. CNCF's contributions in Vietnam not only bring about change in the lives of children and marginalised communities in difficult circumstances but also deepens the friendly and cooperative relationship between the two countries, Vietnam and Great Britain."

Mr. Nguyen Ngoc Hung, Head of the People's Aid Coordination Committee (PACCOM)





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At CNCF, we are dedicated to ethical fundraising practices. We uphold donors' right to transparency regarding the causes and programmes they support. In our fundraising efforts, we work with partners and supporters who align with our mission, philosophy, and values, and who have no conflicts of interest. Our internal communications framework offers guidelines for choosing appropriate messaging and imagery for ethical fundraising, as outlined in "Focus on Ethics: Addressing Tensions in Choosing Fundraising Images."

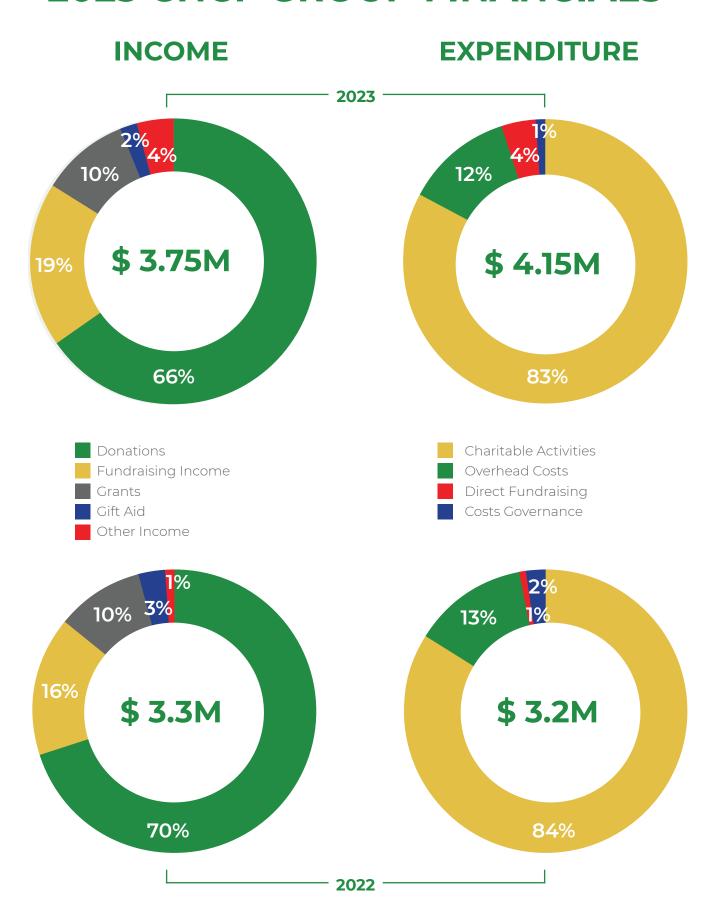
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Our partner fundraising offices play a crucial role in generating funds and cultivating relationships with donors and supporters worldwide. They provide essential support to our operational centres in Vietnam and Mongolia by raising funds and managing local child sponsorship applications. These offices operate under their own local jurisdiction, charity registration numbers, and boards that oversee governance and fundraising activities. We extend our heartfelt thanks to our partner offices, their boards, our volunteers and interns, and especially our generous donors and supporters for their invaluable contributions in 2023.





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