



ANNUAL REPORT 2021

# BLUE SKIES SPORTS PROGRAMME MONGOLIA

# PROGRAMME OVERVIEW

## ESTABLISHED

2016

## LOCATION

Ulaanbaatar (Capital City) and  
the Songino Khaikhan District

## BACKGROUND

The Blue Skies Sports Programme provides children in our care with a variety of fun sporting activities to cultivate new interests and hobbies that support their physical health, physiological wellbeing, and social development. The students are also encouraged to participate in numerous national and international competitions and tournaments to foster bravery, self-confidence and encouragement amongst their peers.

## OBJECTIVES

Children from the Blue Skies Ger Village, Blue Skies Kindergarten, Child Sponsorship Programme, siblings and friends of children enrolled in CNCF's programmes and children of CNCF staff members

## LOCAL PARTNERS

Mongolian Taekwondo Association, Akhan Duus Mongolian Martial Art Association, Water Sports Association of Sukhbaatar District, Golden Ball Club, and Khanchandmani Sports Centre

## CNCF ACCOUNTABILITY

CNCF is fully responsible for funding, programme management, monitoring and evaluation.

## MONITORING AND EVALUATION

CNCF's Director of Operations and CNCF's Ger Village Management Team conduct regular site visits during programme activities. Weekly internal meetings are organised for programme discussion and updates. An annual report is made available to all stakeholders. Most importantly, the progress of the children is celebrated at performances, sporting events and tournaments throughout the year.



# OUR YEAR

In 2021, the Blue Skies Sports Programme continued to provide children in our care with a variety of sporting activities enabling them to cultivate new interests that support their physical, physiological, emotional, and social growth.

Due to lockdown restrictions in the first half of the year, our residential children were able to practise on-site at CNCF's Blue Skies Ger Village whilst non-residential children took part in the online Taekwondo classes and Dan Certification examination. Understanding the impacts of having to remain indoor on the children's wellbeing, CNCF Sports Team always strived to facilitate remote athletic activities supporting the physical and psychological health of our students. Upon the resumption of on-site Sports classes, the students showed great excitement and enthusiasm to engage with their classmates as well as to improve their skills and techniques under the guidance of their coaches in preparation for competitions and tournaments.

Since inception,



520  
CHILDREN

have enrolled in CNCF's Blue Skies Sports Programme, supporting their physical health and overall wellbeing.

In 2020,

77 CHILDREN  
(36 Boys and 41 Girls)

engaged in CNCF's Blue Skies Sports Programme

21 CHILDREN  
were from CNCF's Blue Skies Kindergarten

44 CHILDREN  
were from CNCF's Blue Skies Ger Village

04 CHILDREN  
were from CNCF's Child Sponsorship Programme

08 CHILDREN  
were siblings or friends of children in CNCF's Sponsorship Programme or children of CNCF staff members



# OUR YEAR

## Class Participation



**77** CHILDREN  
(36 Boys and 41 Girls)  
attended Taekwondo



**11** CHILDREN  
(06 Boys and 05 Girls)  
attended Cricket



**02** CHILDREN  
(01 Boy and 01 Girl)  
attended a Basketball course



**03** CHILDREN  
(01 Boy and 02 Girls)  
attended a Volleyball course



**01** CHILD  
(Boy)  
attended a Wrestling course

## Age Group

**23**  
Children

0-5 years old

**18**  
Children

6-10 years old

**14**  
Children

11-14 years old

**16**  
Children

15-17 years old

**06**  
Children

18-22 years old



# OUR YEAR

## Taekwondo



**77** CHILDREN  
(**36 Boys** and **41 Girls**)  
participated in Taekwondo classes

**44** CHILDREN  
were from  
CNCF's Blue Skies Ger Village

**04** CHILDREN  
were from  
CNCF's Child Sponsorship Programme

**21** CHILDREN  
were from  
CNCF's Blue Skies Kindergarten

**08** CHILDREN  
were siblings or friends  
of children in CNCF's Child Sponsorship  
Programme or children of CNCF staff members

### Age Group

Age	0-5 years old	6-10 years old	11-14 years old	15-17 years old	18-22 years old
Number of Children	23	18	14	16	06

## Cricket



**11** CHILDREN  
(**06 Boys** and **05 Girls**)  
participated in Cricket classes. All children  
were from CNCF's Blue Skies Ger Village

### Age Group

**08**  
Children

15 – 17 years old

**03**  
Children

18 – 22 years old

## Trainings and workshops



**44** STUDENTS  
participated in sports trainings



**02** SPORTS  
PROGRAMME STAFF  
attended **03 trainings and workshops**



# OUR YEAR

## Children's Achievements



**44** TAEKWONDO STUDENTS

participated in **04** tournaments.

**34 PRIZES/MEDALS** were awarded to the students, among them:

**06**

GOLD MEDALS

**09**

SILVER MEDALS

**08**

BRONZE MEDALS

Since inception, our talented young athletes have won **78 Gold, 97 Silver** and **174 Bronze Medals** in Taekwondo.



**01** STUDENT

was recognised as an **International Sports Master**. Since inception, **02 STUDENTS** have been acknowledged as International Sports Masters.



**01** STUDENT

was recognised as a **Sports Master**. Since inception, **08 STUDENTS** have been acknowledged as Sports Masters.



**01** STUDENT

was recognised as a **Sports Sub-Master**. Since inception, **07 STUDENTS** have been acknowledged as Sports Sub-Masters.



**05** CRICKET STUDENTS

participated in **02** tournaments.

**03 MEDALS** were awarded to the students



**02** SILVER MEDALS

**01** BRONZE MEDAL

Since inception, our talented young athletes have won **04 Gold, 02 Silver** and **05 Bronze Medals** in Cricket.









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# OUR STORIES

## The Transformative Power Of Sports

15-year-old Gansukh\* is one of CNCF's Child Sponsorship Programme children. Gansukh's family relies on his father's meagre income as a handyman and his mother's disability allowance. CNCF's monthly sponsorship support has enabled Gansukh to enrol in education and helped to alleviate the family's financial burdens. Gansukh was also empowered to take part in extracurricular classes facilitated by CNCF's Arts, Music & Sports Programmes to foster new interests and develop his social skills. Today, thanks to the Programme, Gansukh has become a talented Taekwondo athlete who has now been practising the sport for over 6 years and holds a Black belt and Second Dan (a martial art ranking system). "I used to spend most of my time roaming the streets and playing arcade games without gaining any knowledge and skills beneficial for my future. I didn't share any interest in studying and I often felt unmotivated to learn new things. Taekwondo changes my life. It provides a safe environment for me to express myself, and has taught me crucial skills including respect, patience and discipline as well as self-defence techniques." – said Gansukh.

The opportunity to compete in varied Taekwondo tournaments allows Gansukh to cultivate self-confidence and sportsmanship, where he has been awarded numerous Gold, Silver, and Bronze Medals. Through the life-changing power of Taekwondo, Gansukh is inspired to excel in his academic education, and recently has been recognised as the "Best Student of the Year" by the Mongolian Students' Association. CNCF is incredibly proud to support and witness Gansukh's journey of growth. Along with his willpower and perseverance, Gansukh has grown into a determined young man who is committed to his studies and future goals, and remains an inspiring ambassador of the transformative benefits of sports.

"I am very grateful to CNCF who have made it possible for me to go to school and practise sports, and I also remain thankful to my CNCF Taekwondo coach Battulga and my classmates for their guidance and assistance in my learning journey. Thank you very much." – Gansukh.

\*Name and identity changed to protect privacy



# OUR STORIES

## A Well-Rounded Education

Azjargal\* lived with her parents and siblings until her father was imprisoned. Azjargal was then sent to live with her grandparents whilst her younger siblings arrived at CNCF's Blue Skies Ger Village. Despite her love for her grandparents, Azjargal was thrilled to reunite with her siblings at the Ger Village in 2019.

Due to her challenging childhood, Azjargal struggled to express her emotions and often withdrew into herself. It was through CNCF Sports classes that Azjargal began to develop her physical health and overall wellbeing as well as gaining crucial social and psychological development. Over the course of 3 years, Azjargal's outstanding progress in Taekwondo is acknowledged in varied national and international competitions, in which she has been awarded with numerous prizes and medals. Through the lessons, she was able to learn self-awareness and develop vital life skills and character traits to lead a self-sufficient and sustainable future. Currently, Azjargal has taken up a new interest in Korean language with enthusiasm and is training Taekwondo with great dedication to compete in upcoming tournaments.

Athletic activities provide children with the opportunity to cultivate a healthy understanding of the importance of physical fitness and the development of their overall wellbeing. CNCF believes that an education without exposure to sports is not a complete education; we will continue to ensure vulnerable children have access to such sporting opportunities for their best start to life.

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# FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

The operational cost of the Blue Skies Sports Programme in 2021 was:

**\$9,871 USD**

Heartfelt thanks to our primary donor **MCD Productions (IRL)** who enables CNCF to keep this project operating and also to those who generously support with gift and time in-kind which enables us to keep our costs down.

Our audits can be found [here](#).













# BLUE SKIES SPORTS PROGRAMME EXPENDITURES IN 2021

Expenditure	Amount (USD)
Taekwondo Gradings	889
Taekwondo Tournaments	163
Cricket	1,038
Children's Sports Club Fees	74
Clothing and Equipment	1,418
Staff Salaries & Social Insurance	5,445
Utilities (Electricity, Firewood & Coal)	551
Public & Staff Relations	224
Miscellaneous/ Others	69
<b>TOTAL COST</b>	<b>9,871</b>



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