

PROGRAMME OVERVIEW

ESTABLISHED

2001

LOCATION

Ulaanbaatar city: Bayanzurkh, Khan-Uul, Bayangol, Sukhbaatar, Chingeltei, and Songinokhairkhan Districts Selenge province: Mandal Sum

BACKGROUND

CNCF's Give-a-Ger Programme was established to provide homeless families, or vulnerable families who are at risk of homelessness or living in dangerous and inhabitable conditions with a warm and safe ger (a traditional Mongolian home) of their own. By providing children and families with a functional and secure home, in addition to intensive coordinated humanitarian services, CNCF works to promote their healthy physical and mental health, as well as equipping them with a sense of optimism and pride that empowers their confidence to embark on a journey to a brighter future free from all forms of harm and poverty.

LOCAL PARTNERS

The Department of Family, Children and Youth Development of Ulaanbaatar City, The Authorities of Mandal Sum of Selenge Province, Undur-Chirenge LLC, Gal-Gerel LLC, Bi and Ji Sofa LLC

BENEFICIARIES

Children in CNCF's Child Sponsorship Programme and their families; children transitioning out of CNCF's Blue Skies Ger Village to reunite with family members or to begin an independent adult life; homeless and/or vulnerable families in the wider community who are in need of housing support

CNCF ACCOUNTABILITY

CNCF is entirely responsible for funding, management, monitoring and evaluation.

MONITORING AND EVALUATION

Upon receiving a support application from a family which includes a detailed family history report and a description of their current living conditions, CNCF Social Workers visit the family and meet with their responsible district and subdistrict community workers for an eligibility assessment. If funding is acquired and requirements are met, CNCF provides a new ger along with high-quality furniture and supports the family in setting up their new home. Our social workers remain in close contact with all Give-a-Ger Programme families to monitor their progress and provide additional support if necessary. Regular updates are provided to the Programme Coordinator as weekly internal meetings are held for programme discussion. A full report is sent to the donor(s) of the ger. Monthly reports are sent to CNCF Director of Operations and an annual report is made available to all stakeholders.

OUR YEAR

In 2021, the Give-a-Ger Programme continued to provide families who are homeless, at risk of eviction and homelessness, or living in inadequate conditions with warm, safe and functional new gers (traditional Mongolian homes).

As a result of the increased prices of materials and furniture due to pandemic border closures, our team conducted research and met with different ger suppliers in Ulaanbaatar to ensure the supply and the standard of our gers uses only the best quality and most sustainable materials. All ger construction activities strictly adhered to the Mongolian government's safety guidelines and precautions. A warm and comfortable ger home lays a foundation of a brighter future where parents are empowered to strive in their employment and children can focus on their studies. Accommodation is provided alongside close monitoring, timely care and additional support to assist the children and their families to adjust to a new living environment, and thrive with independence and self-sufficiency in their community.

Since inception,

926 FAMILIES have been supported with a warm and secure ger of their own by CNCF's Give-a-Ger Programme, and as a result have been able to flourish in a safe and stimulating environment free from all forms of threats and work towards a brighter future.



OUR YEAR

14 FAMILIES
(52 Children & 22 Adults)
were supported by CNCF's
Give-a-Ger Programme

5 FAMILIES
(13 Children & 07 Adults)
received a 4-wall ger

7 FAMILIES
(39 Children & 15 Adults)
received a 5-wall ger

Demographic Data

FAMILIES

were families of CNCF's Child

Sponsorship Programme children

PAMILIES
were single-parent families

Project Visits

PROJECT VISITS
were conducted by
CNCF Social Workers

HOME VISITS
were conducted for
home assessment

LAND
PREPARATION
VISITS
were facilitated

FOLLOW-UP VISITS were carried out to monitor the progress of the families and their adjustment into their new homes

Trainings and Workshops

52 CHILDREN & 48 ADULTS participated in a training on ger maintenance

O4 STAFF attended programme training

Emergency Relief Support



14

EMERGENCY SUPPORT PACKAGES

including essential food items and clean water were delivered to

14 Give-a-Ger Programme families





OUR STORIES

A Home That Changes Lives

13-year-old Nomin* lives with her mother and siblings on the outskirts of Ulaanbaatar Capital City. After the divorce of Nomin's parents due to her father's alcohol addiction and abusive behaviour, Nomin's mother took on the role of the breadwinner to look after the family. Unable to secure permanent employment, she works as a seasonal support staff during weather emergencies, and occasionally takes on cleaning and babysitting jobs if available. The family relies on the monthly financial support of CNCF's Child Sponsorship Programme and the government welfare allowance when Nomin's mother is unable to secure enough income in the month.

They seeked shelter in a dilapidated and cramped house in unhygienic conditions which barely endured the harsh winter weather of Mongolia. The roof leaked, and the walls were full of holes and disintegrating due to repeated exposure to the wind and rain. It was unbearably cold inside the house with the outside temperature often reaching as low as -40oC as the family struggled to cover heating costs. Due to the poorly insulated living environment and the lack of basic necessities, Nomin and her siblings became prone to illnesses which affected their academic attendance and performance. The income of Nomin's mother was barely enough to cover their daily expenses, let alone adequate accommodation despite concerning safety and health risks.

Nomin's family was over the moon when CNCF's Give-a-Ger Programme provided them with a safe and warm ger (traditional Mongolian home) of their own. Through the provision of sufficient insulation and high quality furniture of their own, the family has been able to lessen their financial burdens and afford bare essentials including nutritious food, clean water, warm clothes and hygiene products. Having a safe home and a healthy living environment is truly Nomin's family's light at the end of the tunnel, giving them hope of a brighter future and enabling Nomin and her siblings to thrive in their studies.

^{*}Name and identity changed to protect privacy



OUR STORIES

Fulfilling A Wish For A Safe Home

"My name is Bayaraa* and I am 17 years old. My mother is visually impaired and is unable to secure a stable job. Despite her health challenges, my mother always strives to support the livelihood of the family by working part-time as a public activity assistant employed by the sub-district authorities. My younger brother is studying Grade 9 and I am in my first year of College.

In addition to my mother's meagre income, we live off her disability allowance and welfare food vouchers. At the time, my family resided in a run-down 5-wall ger (traditional Mongolian home) that could barely survive a winter of extreme rainfall and heavy snow. The felt roof was torn whilst the wooden walls and pillars were rotten. Our ger did not have insulated flooring and was directly built on a concrete foundation, covered by a thin layer of linoleum. Every time the wind blew, we would shiver in the cold. Because the roof was poorly covered with cracks on the walls, it was not energy-efficient and required a great amount of firewood and coal for heating, of which my mother struggled to bear the costly expense.

No words could express how happy and relieved I was when CNCF Social Workers showed us our new ger. Thanks to CNCF's Give-a-Ger Programme, for the first time in my life, I can sleep through the night in the warmth and security of a home, and have an adequate study corner where I can do my homework and read books. We were also provided with comfortable couches, a wardrobe, a stove, a hand sink, and more. Thank you very much for making my dream of a safe home come true. My family and I are forever grateful to your help and support, and we wish the staff of CNCF all the best. Thank you."

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FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

The operational cost of the Give-a-Ger Programme in 2021 was:

\$38,815 USD

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Our audits can be found here.



GIVE-A-GER PROGRAMME EXPENDITURES IN 2021

•	Expenditure	Amount (USD)	
	Ger Costs	38,815	•
•	TOTAL COST	38,815	,



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