

THE OTHERSIDE FOUNDATION

ANNUAL REPORT 2008

The Other Side Foundation was established in October 2007 in Valduz, Lichtenstein by business tycoon and philanthropist Daniel Sigaud who solely funds our projects at grass roots level addressing the 3 most critical issues of education, nutrition and health for the underprivileged, namely children and juveniles. Its supervisory board comprises of Mr Sigaud, Mr & Mrs Champ and council members, Dr Oberhuber, Dr Furtner and Dr Baggio.

Currently we are operators of a project in Africa, sponsors of another in India and donors in South America.

ZAMBIA, AFRICA

In Africa our project is 20 km from Lusaka the capital of Zambia. A community school was started out of an old shed in the slums of Buseko in Matero, one of the poorest areas in Lusaka. This not for gain humanitarian project was initiated and spearheaded in June 2006 by Leela Singaram Champ, who together with her spouse (both volunteers) were sent to Zambia in 2005 by an American NGO to build and manage a care center for children with Aids.

25% of Zambians are HIV positive; the pandemic has left 1 in 5 children orphaned. Cared for by their grandmothers who have no source of income or by young heads of families (siblings between the ages of 10 and 16); education is far from their minds and healthcare and wholesome nutrition is far from their reach.

At this free community school, children from the slums and neighbouring shanty villages receive 1 nutritious meal a day, free health care weekly, education up to grade 7 and micro financing for the grandmothers and single mothers.

The children are fed daily with Tobwa, a high protein porridge. Every week a clinical officer/nurse treats ill students for minor ailments and also screens potentially HIV positive children; he further enrolls them into Aids support programs and also refers them to specialist clinics. The grandmothers and single mothers are aided through the Micro Finance program which commenced in February 2007.

The Foundation was registered locally on September 2007 at the Registry of Societies, Ministry of Home Affairs Zambia; under the name, The Other Side, a non profit organization.



Our foundation has also distributed free blankets for winter to families living below poverty level in the slums on the outskirts of Lusaka and to the Mother Theresa Mission. Blankets were provided and transported F.O.C from Singapore by Singapore Airlines via Johannesburg by South African Airlines.

CHENGALPET, SOUTH INDIA

In March 2008 we identified another needy cause. A project run by monks in Chengalpet, South India. Here, our foundation donates USD50,000 per year for the upkeep of 105 boys who live in the hostel/orphanage run by the monks. These boys, some orphans and others from destitute families, are sheltered, fed and sent to school; for those who have parents, they are sent on home leave for festive occasions.

The Ramakrishna Mission monks also feed 300 destitute children and old folks daily on their premises, run medical camps, support surrounding villages seeing to the needs of orphans and abandoned old folks and once a month a volunteer medical team brings medicines to villages which are too poor and far away to get to town clinics.

They need a medicalised van to reach out to these remote villages covering a range of 50 kms but lack funds.



300 children and adults fed daily



105 boys sponsored by The Other Side Foundation

BRAZIL, SOUTH AMERICA

In Brazil the foundation has donated 17,000Euro towards Les Apprentis De L'Esperance

Objectives

- In Zambia we are hoping to build our own school on our land using it as a model for other community schools that we would like to sponsor, catering mainly to OVCs (orphans and vulnerable children); doing our share in the Aids pandemic which is wiping out this nation.
- India with a population of over 1 billion, requires extensive aid for underpriviledged children; The Other Side Foundation would like to contribute by deterring child labour, assuring that children have 1 decent meal a day and receive basic education.

• Visited & studied countries like Nigeria where help is needed but unfortunately due to political instability & security problems we are unable to intervene at the moment.

In the future The Other Side Foundation hopes to reach out to as many humanitarian causes at grass roots level, focusing on orphans and vulnerable children mainly in Africa and Asia.