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OPTICIAN TRAINING CENTRE

KURDISTAN

In Australia we can easily buy the eyeglasses we need. We can even choose between different types of lenses suited to our needs and we are blessed with good service. This is not possible in some other countries, so one is very happy when appropriate glasses can be found. So what if everything we need is available, but the optician can't make use of it?

This happens in Kurdistan, a region in Iraq suffering under the current Middle East crisis. It is not only the fight against IS or the many refugees in the region, it is also the collapsed economy that makes the crisis worse. Oil doesn't give the wealth it used to, and there is nothing else that can take its place. No wonder the local people want to leave the region, hoping to find a better future. The best we can do for this region is to invest in it, in the skills people have, and help to improve services.



Professionals without training

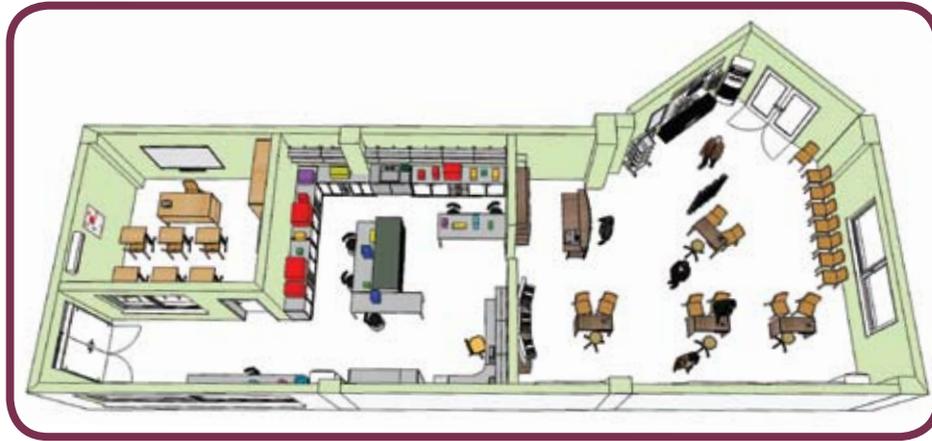
It's not the lack of supply chains, or access to equipment, or service of the current opticians; it is the lack of training that hinders quality eye care. Almost all the people working in optical stores have had no formal training. There is no opportunity to do that in Kurdistan with its almost six million inhabitants. In addition, there are only a few stores compared with the immense need for glasses.

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Training for the future

The Optician Training Centre, now partly set up, has been initiated by Asian Renewal Incorporated (ARI) in cooperation with the Directorate of Health and the eye hospital in Sulaymaniyah.

end of the year, enabling students to work with basic and advanced equipment (like lens edgers) and products (like progressive lenses). The students will be able to measure and cut lenses, repair frames, advise customers according to their specific needs, and dispense glasses. In this way the community will have access to quality eye care services. Also, cooperation with ophthalmologists will improve.



It consists of a teaching room, a workshop, and a shop where theory can be put into practice. A one-year training course is expected to start before the

more the Optician Training Centre has come to a halt. In order to encourage change we need funds to be able to start the first course.

Until two years ago the implementation of this project was not in question. But since the Kurdish Regional Government doesn't have money any-

SNAP SHOTS MOBILE DROP-IN CENTRE — MONGOLIA

1. Providing food for the hungry.
2. Stabbed wound in the head.
3. Some of the homeless.
4. The Drop-In Centre team.

JJAXI AND FRIENDS

CHINA

It is already one year since an eight-year-old Mongolian minority blind boy named Jjaxi came to this city with his parents. This family spoke their minority language all their lives, so could not speak the Chinese standard language, Mandarin. Now, however, Jjaxi is very fluent in Mandarin! Because of that, the staff here is bothered a lot — in a good way! Before, he could not speak any words and just sat quietly, but now, after he comes back from school he is constantly asking questions, even to the point where the staff could not do other work. A few days ago, Jjaxi was on the phone with his mum who can only speak the



Mongolian minority language, and he was teaching her new words he learned in Mandarin.

Jjaxi has now become a lovely mascot for *Hope Of Tomorrow* (HOT). The reason is his bright, energetic, and kind personality. Anyone who meets Jjaxi becomes happy. He possesses a wonderful gift, the gift of sharing a positive and happy atmosphere with everyone around him.

Furthermore, he is very talented in music. Surprisingly, the first time he held a harmonica, he was able to play it. If he holds a drum, he uses both hands to play just the right rhythm and creates a beautiful beat. Even though in his final exam, Jjaxi received a grade of only 10% in his Chinese class, and 20% in his Maths class, the adorable Jjaxi makes everyone happy.

His friends

A young girl Zzejuan, from Miao minority, is very talented in singing. She always receives an award when she goes in singing competitions. Another minority blind young adult who came to HOT, Dayuan, played the organ the first time she touched it.

Guo, another blind girl, has an amazing skill with the accordion. When she plays, everyone's shoulders move with excitement. The man who has glass beads instead of eyeballs is also a very talented singer that everyone knows about. He competed in The Voice of China and received an award. He is like an opera singer. My wife Irene's piano skill is pretty amazing too. These days I am seriously considering creating a 'HOT' band.

~ Daniel Kim
Hope of Tomorrow



EBOLA ORPHANS

SIERRA LEONE



The devastating impact of the Ebola crisis was laid bare in a report showing more than 12,000 children have been orphaned by the disease in Sierra Leone.

They have been identified in the first national survey of orphans, which was conducted by the British charity, Street Child. It says the future for these children is dire. Many are living in fear without the support and security of parents, but the charity says there is light at the end of the tunnel 'if the international aid community works together'.

been rejected by their friends because of the stigma of Ebola; some have tried to take their own lives, while girls are being forced into commercial sex work to earn money for food that their parents would have previously provided.

Many of these orphans are completely helpless and vulnerable, not living in a family environment, but on the streets without any assistance at all.

Holistic support

Currently, the church supports 40+ Ebola orphans and a further 50+ traditional orphans. Though they are not able to house them at this time, the church looks after them by way of education, healthcare, food, and financial help to the families that have taken them in.



Paradise 4 Kids, through the Orthodox Church in Sierra Leone, have undertaken to build two orphanages, that when completed will house over 150 children. The church found that children have



We can't help them all, but we do what we can with what we have, and help the ones that the government authorises us to care for.

~ *Louis Toumbas*



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Current HADA Projects

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AFGHANISTAN

NOOR-Ophthalmic Technician Training Program

Manager: Liz Green

- Providing training for the treatment of eye conditions [AFG-010]

AFRICA and ASIA

Medical Training in Africa and Asia

Manager: Dr Judith Goh

- Training African and Asian doctors in treating women with genital tract fistula [AFR-010]

Library Aid International Inc

Manager: Peter Cunningham

- Providing books for schools. [AFR-011]

BANGLADESH

New Hope Ministry Bangladesh Trust

Manager: Warwick Lloyd

- Rural project to help orphanage self-sufficiency [BGD-010]
- Multi-Purpose Educational Buildings in Bangladesh [BGD-012]

CAMBODIA

Siem Reap

Manager: Jonathan and Heleen Wolters

- **Bridge of Hope:** Working with families and communities to prevent children at risk becoming street children (or sold/ending up in prostitution). [KHM-010]
- Family Sponsorship [KHM-018]

Good Neighbours Pre-School

Manager: HyangSuk Lee [KHM-017]

- A pre-school for disadvantaged children. [KHM-013]

CHINA

Hope Of Tomorrow

Managers: Daniel and Irene Kim [CHN-014]

- Giving hope to the blind [CHN-013]

INDIA

Maxton Strong Orphanage School, Banbassa

Manager: Rick Shipway [IND-014]

Manager: Clifton Shipway [IND-015]

- School Extensions [IND-016]

IRAQ

Sulaymaniyah, Kurdistan

Optician Training Centre [IRQ-010]

- Apprenticeship program for opticians

KAZAKHSTAN

HADA, Astana

Manager: David Pichotta [KAZ-013]

- Alcoholism: Education, literature, and support groups for alcoholics and their families. [KAZ-010]
- Open Doors Community Centre: a place to gain employable skills and life skills for young adults, couples and parents. [KAZ-011]
- Valueology: assisting schools by providing materials, and teaching values to teenagers. [KAZ-012]

MONGOLIA

Good Neighbor Society, Ulaanbaatar

Manager: WooYoung Kim

- Family Development Program [MNG-010]

Good Neighbour Society — Mobile Drop-in Centre

Manager: Corrie van der Esch [MNG-019]

- Assist homeless people in Ulaanbaatar [MNG-018]

NEPAL

ACN Health Promotion [NPL-012]

Manager: Dr Julie Lincoln [NPL-011]

- Providing access to safe drinking water and toilets, improve knowledge of hygiene/sanitation, nutrition and preventable diseases.

SIERRA LEONE

Waterloo School

- Teacher Training and Placement, and Amputee Clinic [SLE-011]

PK4A Orphanages Development [SLE-012]

- Building orphanages to create a positive, loving environment for abandoned and neglected children.

SOUTH AFRICA

My Father's House Worcester

Manager: Jan Buchanan [ZAF-011]

- A Community Centre for vulnerable teenagers [ZAF-010]

UGANDA

100% Hope

Manager: Trishelle Sayuuni [UGA-014]

- 100% Hope Educate: building a school. [UGA-011]
- 100% Hope Medical Clinic: providing healthcare for children and pregnant women. [UGA-013]
- 100% Hope Homes: giving children from remote areas access to education [UGA-015]

Grace Care Child Program

Manager: Emmanuel Kanuli

- To build classrooms for orphaned/disadvantaged children [UGA-020]

Where Most Needed [WMN-010]

The board will allocate these funds to projects in most need.

ZAMBIA

Oasis Care Project, Ndola

Manager: Lainah Phiri [ZMB-013]

- Market garden for orphanage [ZMB-010]
- Gardeners: Benson and Alison [ZMB-012]

DISASTER RELIEF

- Bangladesh floods [DIS-000]
- Syrian Refugees [DIS-010]

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