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Reaching Out to the Homeless

MONGOLIA

It has been a turbulent time here for us at Sergelt Ood ('Towards Recovery') NGO.

he big renovation project on our three-story building was finally completed and we moved in with our office. Now our reintegration project (halfway community house) is ready to receive its first homeless addicts-in-recovery participants.

Our outreaches to the homeless of Ulaanbaatar are ongoing, though still on a lower level due to COVID restrictions. For the homeless community, life has become even more challenging. COVID fear has made it basically impossible for them to receive hospital treatment, even in life-threatening cases. Our monthly hospital and shower-house days, as well as our support group meetings, are also still not possible.



Corrie giving food to a homeless lady.

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Homeless men being entertained by some of the Sergelt Ood team.

Medical attention given

One elderly man named Batsuuri who had earlier lost all of his fingers, recently became blind in one eye. To prevent his one healthy eye from being affected a cooperating hospital was willing to help him with an operation (photo above right). This was done about a week ago and he is recovering.

Another elderly man was beaten on his head with an iron bar. By a miracle he survived and he had head surgery but his wound (about 15 cm long) was not healing. The hospital we cooperate with was willing to treat his wound and it is now healed. Two other

homeless contacts need new leg prostheses and we are helping another young man to receive a hearing aid.

Every now and then we visit very poor families who have a *ger* (portable circular dwelling), but their situation is hardly better than being homeless. We provide relational, practical and food support. Two of our contacts are in alcohol rehabilitation.

Long lockdowns, hard winter

This year we have had several long lockdowns during which we could do nothing. It was especially hard to accept as it was and then they slowly started healing. As well, we were told about an elderly homeless lady, all by herself, sleeping outside an abandoned building, unable to communicate and shivering in the freezing cold. Finally, the local social services took care of her halfway through lockdown.



As an organisation we have had a lot of local staff change this year and we are still not complete. It is a challenge to find staff with a long-term commitment, capable, and with an affinity with our target group. Due to this our building projects (coffee house and

temporary shelter) are delayed. As winter is coming soon, these projects have been postponed to early 2022. Thank you so much for your support!

~ Corrie van der Esch Co-founder of Sergelt Ood

Donations to this project MNG-500 will be appreciated.



during winter, the harshest and most urgent time of the year to reach out to the homeless. Uuree, a young homeless man, lost all his fingers from frostbite. The operation was done very carelessly and his wounds were infected; only after lockdown could we look after his wounds

Orphanage and Schools Benevolent Project

BANGLADESH



n June, Bangladesh was severely affected by a third wave of COVID-19, twice as bad as earlier waves. The Delta strain forced the nation into lockdown again. The vast majority of workers are on casual wages, so incomes dried up meaning families couldn't afford to buy food.

New Hope Trust Responds to Devastating Covid Impact

The New Hope Trust, through the HADA project, has been able to provide food for hundreds of Bangladeshi families over the past year. In poor rural areas we have been providing parcels of rice, flour, oil, lentils, salt, onions, potatoes and

soup. In urban areas packaged cooked meals for families are being distributed. With your support we plan to continue the food aid program until the worst of the pandemic is over.

Teachers fully supported throughout COVID school closures

All schools in Bangladesh have been closed since 17 March 2020. The government just announced schools can reopen on 12 September. Right through the pandemic, the New Hope Trust has fully supported all the staff of our schools as their wider families are dependent on their salaries.

Unfortunately, the pandemic's financial impact has meant a significant percentage of private schools across the nation have been forced to close permanently. The New Hope Trust looks forward to reopening all its schools this month.

These vital projects are only possible through the support of HADA and the Caleb Foundation for South Asia working with the New Hope Trust in Bangladesh. We thank you all very much for your generosity and encouragement.

~ Warwick Lloyd

Donations to this project BDG-500 will be appreciated.



The boys with the project leader, house parents and their children.

Paradise 4 Kids

SIERRA LEONE

uring the 2016 Ebola crisis in West Africa, thousands of children were made orphans in Sierra Leone. It was for this reason Paradise 4 Kids embarked on the Paradise 4 Kids Africa Orphanages Development program.

In late 2018 we completed our first single-level 16-child orphanage and in late 2019 began the second orphanage. However, due to the lack of funds the second orphanage ceased construction mid-way.

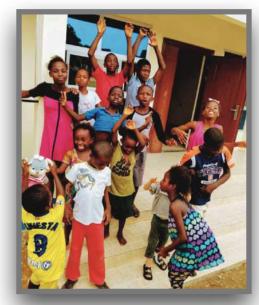
Now, well into 2021, we will recommence the building of a two-storey girls' orphanage with room for 16 orphans and a further 16 sexually abused young girls.

It is hoped that by mid-2022 the new orphanage (see proposed design centre) will be completed under the careful eye of our newly government appointed Child Protection Officer.

Violence, abuse, slavery and exploitation of children in West Africa are tragic aspects of childhood. Unfortunately, due to the 'circle of secrecy' in family units, extended families, communities and villages, many turn a blind eye.

Surveys and statistics show that the vast majority of children in West Africa experience violent discipline and even slavery. Figures show nearly three in five teenage girls have been beaten or hit since the age of 10, and three in five orphaned or street children are raped or sexually abused.

Many young girls are forced into the sex industry for tourist and business travellers and the local scene. They never recover.



As with our existing orphans, our new family members will attend our own schools and be sponsored to higher learning via our Student Scholarship Program.

It is our hope that with every child that we can assist, that we protect them, change their lives, and give them a helping hand to grow into productive members of the community.

Finally, we thank all our donors and supporters that dig deep into their own resources

to support strangers halfway across the world.

~ Louis Toumbas



Mary Adams, Director of Education, with some of the children.

Donations to this project SLE-012 will be appreciated.



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Current HADA Projects



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All projects listed are approved for tax deductibility

AFRICA and ASIA

Medical Training in Africa and Asia

 training African and Asian doctors in treating women with genital tracts fistula [AFR-500]

AFRICA and FIJI

Library Aid International Inc

Manager: Peter Cunningham

 Providing books for schools to improve educational outcomes and life opportunities. [AFR-011]

AUSTRALIA

Food Plants International Inc.

Manager: Bruce French

 Researching edible food plants suitable for growing in various regions of the world [AUS-500]

BANGLADESH

New Hope Ministry Bangladesh Trust Manager: Warwick Lloyd

- Multi-Purpose Educational Buildings
 Building multi-function education facilities
 [BGD-012]
- Orphanage and School Self-Sufficiency Project Provides high-level schooling and gains funds for the orphanage [BGD-013]
- Orphanage and Schools Benevolent
 Project Provides self-sufficiency projects for communities, training to gain employment and adult education [BGD-500]

BURUNDI

Mustard Seed Projects

Manager: Des Willmott

 Meat chickens, fish farming and biogas projects [BDI-010]

CAMBODIA

Siem Reap

Manager: Jun Kim

- Bridge of Hope: Working with families and communities to prevent children at risk becoming street children (or sold/ ending up in prostitution). [KHM-500]
- Good Neighbours Community
 Development Preschool: Preschool in Tria [KHM-501]

FIJ

• Education and Orphan Care Program:

Manager: Dr Eleni Athinodorou

• Free kindergarten [FJI-500]

INDI

Asha Bhawan Community Building Project

Manager: Keith Bergmeier

 Rescuing men and women from drug and alcohol addiction and seeing them transformed into responsible citizens [IND-050]

INDI/

Ashir Children's Home

Manager: Ashirvadam Mylaram [IND-520] Assistant Manager: Kunal Vasith [IND-521]

• Home for orphaned children [IND-500]

INDIA

Maxton Strong School Kindergarten Upgrade

Manager: Rick Shipway [IND-014]

 Kindergarten Upgrade: to provide suitable education facilities for early learners [IND-019]

Good Shepherd Agricultural Mission

Manager: Clifton Shipway [IND-015]

 The care and protection of orphaned children [IND-501].

IRAQ

Sulaymaniyah, Kurdistan Optician Training Centre

 Apprenticeship program for opticians [IRQ-010]

KAZAKHSTAN

HADA, Astana

Manager: David and Tirzah Pichotta [KAZ-013]

- Alcoholism and Addiction Help:
 Education, literature, and support groups for alcoholics and their families [KAZ-010]
- Community Centre and Health Education Project: a place to gain employable skills and life skills for young adults, couples and parents [KAZ-500]

MONGOLIA

Sergelt Ood

Manager: Corrie van der Esch [MNG-019]

 Assist homeless people in Ulaanbaatar [MNG-500]

NEPAL

Nepali Health, Development & Disaster Response (ACN)

Manager: Dr Julie Lincoln [NPL-011]

 Providing access to safe drinking water and toilets, improve knowledge of hygiene/ sanitation, nutrition and preventable diseases [NPL-500]

PAPUA NEW GUINEA

Haus Pikinini P4K Orphanages Development

Manager: Donna Harvey-Hall

 Building orphanages to create a positive, loving environment for abandoned and neglected children [PNG-010]

SIERRA LEONE

Education Community Care Program

Manager: Dr Themi Adamopoulo

 Providing school canteen, medical clinic, and toilets [SLE-500]

P4KA Orphanages Development

 Building orphanages to create a positive, loving environment for abandoned and neglected children. [SLE-012]

UGANDA

Grace Care Child Program Secondary School

Manager: Emmanuel Kanuli

To build classrooms for orphaned/ disad-

vantaged children [UGA-022]

Grace Care Child Sponsorship Program

[UGA-500]

Victory School of Hope

Manager: Zebedee Tanga

 To build new classrooms for school in Blacksands community [VUT-010]

ZAMBIA

P4K Zambia Education and Community Care Program

Manager: Joyce Chimbila

• Community care and education [ZMB-500]

DISASTER RELIEF

- Bangladesh floods [DIS-000]
- Help for Syrian refugees [DIS-010]
- Current disaster appeal [DIS-100]

WHERE MOST NEEDED

The board will allocate these funds to projects in most need [WMN-010]