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GOOD NEIGHBOUR *Covid-19 Response*

NEPAL

Nepal has recorded almost 980,000 COVID-19 cases and 12,000 deaths from COVID; many more cases and deaths have gone unrecorded.

Good Neighbour (Asal Chhimekee) Nepal (ACN) serves vulnerable people who have been highly impacted by COVID lockdowns and the pandemic itself. The main focus of their COVID response are people dependent on daily wages who lost their income source, people living with disabilities, single mothers and seniors. ACN provides these people with health awareness and promotion, advice on caring for a COVID-positive person at home, counselling, and packs of essential food, hygiene and other supplies. They also introduce specific programs developed for the COVID response in our usual working areas.



Covid awareness training

COVID-19 Rapid Response, implemented in three districts, provided 562 households with food, health and hygiene supplies. Ten health and isolation centres were provided with emergency medical supplies and essential equipment to give immediate care for COVID infected people.

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Health Materials and Relief Support Project

was implemented in two districts, with five-hundred households provided with relief supplies. Four health and isolation centres were supplied with emergency medical items and equipment. Students were supported to continue studies at home during lockdowns, and children were engaged in various activities. Online competitions were organised to combat boredom and winners were invited to present their talent and receive prizes. Youth were provided with vocational trainings such as hospitality management and beautician training to earn sustainable income.

COVID-19 Response and Recovery Project was implemented in four districts with the aim of quicker recovery from the impacts of COVID. Mass awareness programs were conducted over radio and in-person presentations. Two hundred and forty-six families received income-generating training. Five hundred and ten students at community schools were provided with school supplies, uniforms, and health and hygiene kits. Six health posts received

emergency medical supplies and 104 households received food and non-food supplies.

A Khoji toll-free helpline: Midway through the pandemic, ACN set up a help centre with a toll-free

number for people to call for assistance in emergency cases. A help centre attendee received calls and assisted the caller to access the specific support needed. The team visited many COVID infected individuals, providing health support, counselling, advice, advocacy, food, basic

medicine, arranging ambulance services and physical and networking support as per the client's need.

Thousands of lives have been positively impacted through the dedication of ACN staff who remain committed to serving and caring for the most vulnerable, despite personal risk, and through technical and financial support from advisers, donors, local and overseas individuals.

‘Together we can make a difference.’

~ Dr Julie Lincoln

Donations to this project NPL-500 will be appreciated



Distributing Covid relief supplies

SAVAR SCHOOL TO SECURE A PERMANENT HOME

BANGLADESH

Our school in Savar, Bangladesh, spans Kindergarten to Year 10, with 120 students enrolled. The school has been running for 15 years on a rented site. Despite all schools being closed for 18 months due to COVID-19, we continued to pay our teachers as their families relied on their salaries. Our school teaches the full national curriculum and has significantly exceeded the national average consistently in examination results.





LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUPPORT

The school is well regarded in the area and the local government officials routinely come to lend their support at major school events.

The provision of quality education to all in the the communities that the *Caleb Foundation for South Asia* serves through the New Hope Ministries Bangladesh Trust (NHMBT) is integral to our work in Bangladesh. On our regular visits to the school, we are encouraged by the warmth and enthusiasm of the students, parents, and staff.

A GENEROUS OFFER

In recognition of the NHMBT's commitment to education in the Savar community, the owner of the property offered the Trust the opportunity to purchase the site at a quarter of the current market value and for the amount to be paid over three years interest free.

He is keen to see Years 11 and 12 (college years) added to our school. The purchase of this site is critical, as it protects against rental increases in the long-term.



Rents have been high in recent years, but we currently have a very favourable rental price for the property. This offer also avoids the potential of a costly relocation should the property be sold, and

most importantly the Trust believes our school will be self-sufficient financially by the end of 2023. The property will cost \$AU70,000.

ENTERPRISING TEACHERS

Through their own initiative, the teachers have developed a plan to further increase the number of enrolments, thereby expanding our school's service to their community.

PROJECT LAUNCHED

In March this year, we launched a project through H A D A (NHMBT Savar School Property Purchase Project) to take up this strategic offer to secure the school's future. This vital project is only possible through the wonderful

support of HADA and your generosity.

We thank you all very much.

~ **Warwick Lloyd**

Donations to this project BDG-014 will be appreciated.



SERGELT OOD: ASSISTING THOSE WHO ARE HOMELESS

MONGOLIA

Warm greetings from Mongolia! We are in the middle of the hot summer season and a lot is happening.

Our drop-in bus activities to the homeless people of Ulaanbaatar are going well. Several of our



contacts are receiving hospital assistance. Since it's summer, only very few people take the step into an addiction care centre. As soon as temperatures drop to freezing, more will take that step, some initially to survive the winter, others to drastically work on changing their lives.

This month we had our summer outings to the river with our homeless contacts. The weather was great, and everybody enjoyed the day with new clothes and haircuts. We played games, sang songs and former homeless addicts shared inspiring testimonies of how their lives had changed, and the party was completed with a big fat sheep for lunch.

As the warm season is only short, the opportunity is taken to improve outdoor spaces. A

big part of our fence has been replaced and the street behind our building extended: two big *gers* (portable, circular dwellings) are in the making.

One big 12-wall ger will serve as our coffee shop and eatery (our first small business project!) where former homeless participants in our community house can choose to work. Around the ger will be a small wooden-fenced garden.

The other seven-wall ger is being made for staff overseeing the community house — or for guests to use.

The work is going well, and we can't wait to see the results. We're very grateful for the donors who have helped make this possible.



After the summer a new team is to be formed: currently we're having interviews with candidates. It is a big challenge to find and keep local staff that serve wholeheartedly, responsibly and committed for the long-term.

~ Corrie van der Esch

Donations to project MNG-500 will be appreciated.

Current HADA Projects

All projects listed are approved for tax deductibility



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AFRICA and ASIA

Medical Training in Africa and Asia

Manager: Dr Judith Goh

- 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]

AUSTRALIA

P4K - Elias El-Khoury Orphan & Education Fund. [AUS-530]

Manager: Louis Tombas

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]
- **Savar School Property Purchase Project** [BGD-014]
- **Orphanage and Schools Benevolent Project** Provides self-sufficiency projects for communities, training to gain employment and adult education [BGD-500]

BANGLADESH

Manager: Peter Magee

- **Rohingya Micro Business Start-Up Fund** [BGD-530]

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-530]
- **Good Neighbours Community Development — Preschool:** Preschool in Tria [KHM-501]

FIJI

Education and Orphan Care Program:

Manager: Dr Eleni Athinodorou

- Free kindergarten [FJI-500]

INDIA

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]

Ashir Children's Home

Manager: Ashirvadam Mylaram [IND-520]

Assistant Manager: Kunal Vasith [IND-521]

- Home for orphaned children [IND-500]

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 Themis Adamopoulos

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

Orphan and Community Sports Program [SLE-501]

Manager: Louis Tombas

- Education and sporting opportunities for marginalised youth

SOUTH AFRICA

My Father's House

Manager: Kevin Daly

- Youth program [ZAF-500]

UGANDA

Grace Care Child Program Secondary School

Manager: Emmanuel Kanuli

- To build classrooms for orphaned/ disadvantaged children [UGA-022]

Grace Care Child Sponsorship Program [UGA-500]

UGANDA

Manager: Dr Geoff Holt

Kichwamba Children's Foundation

- Caring for orphaned children [UGA-530]

VANUATU

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]
- Ukraine Refugees [DIS-100]

WHERE MOST NEEDED

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



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