

Partnership Foundation – Creating 50 Rainbow Homes for 10,000 street children in India

Mission

Partnership Foundation was founded in 2002 by a group of business people in the Netherlands. Our goal is to provide 10,000 street children (girls) in India with accommodation, healthy food, proper clothing, medical care, education, recreation and reintegration into mainstream society. For extensive information, see www.partnershipfoundation.nl

The formula

- Providing street children (girls) with a permanent residence in existing school buildings
- One - to - one education by regular pupils or bridge education after which the children enter mainstream education at approximately their own age level
- Excellent partners in India: Sr. Cyril Mooney PhD of the Loreto Congregation, in Calcutta. She received the Padma Shree Award from India's President dr. Abdul Kalam. Mr. Harsh Mander, social activist, former director of Action Aid India, a.o. working for the Supreme Court of India.
- PF is a low cost and all-volunteer organisation in the Netherlands (annual cost 2,5% of total income in 2008). Cost per child in India: around 450 euro per child per year.
- The manual 'Management & Organisation of the Rainbow Homes' contains the essentials of the program and reporting requirements which the partners in India are asked to comply with.

Results

- As per January 1st 2010, Partnership Foundation is operating 6 Rainbow Homes in Calcutta, 2 Rainbow Homes in New Delhi and 8 Rainbow Homes in Hyderabad, totalling 1500 street children (girls).

Quality management

- Deloitte, Haskins & Sells and KPMG as financial auditors in India
- Wilde Ganzen NL as independent program auditors
- Frequent working visits to India, hands on assistance with management & organisation
- Lean and meaningful reporting system: for each child a file and a yearly progress report

Management & Organisation

- Theo Gerritsen, board member, Treasurer, former partner with Deloitte Tax in Arnhem NL.
- Hans van der Holst, board member, Secretary, Director of Finles Capital Management NL.
- Koos van der Velden, board Member, Professor in Public Health at Radboud University NL
- Franci Wessels, Board Member, former Director Ogilvy Group, marketing specialist.
- Ferd van Koolwijk, founder and chairman, management consultant in Driebergen NL
- Michiel Steeman, economist, managing director, Head of international business ING Com Fin
- Harry Clemens, economist at Hivos The Hague, financial manager of PF and member MT
- Maurice Unck, lawyer, Director of Product Development, NS, Utrecht, deputy director of PF

Advisory Board

- Sacha de Boer, presenting the 8 o'clock news on Dutch National Television
- Prof. dr. Gerlach Cerfontaine, CEO & President of Schiphol Airport Amsterdam until 2009
- Paul Rosenmöller, former party leader in Dutch Parliament, TV personality

Sponsors include: Investors Marcel Boekhoorn and Loek van den Boog, Kidsrights, Cap Gemini, ING, Cordaid, Corus, Ogilvy Group, Turing Foundation, Ribbink Van den Hoek Family Foundation a.o.

References in India include

- His Excellency Gopal Krishna Gandhi, Governor of West Bengal.
- Admiral Tahiliani, former Chief of Staff of the Indian Navy, New Delhi.
- Sri Viren Shah, former Governor of West Bengal.

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