

## **Partnership Foundation**

### **The Rainbow Home program for street children in India**

#### **Mission**

Partnership Foundation was founded in 2002 by a group of people with a background in business, in the Netherlands. Goal of Partnership Foundation 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, via a replicable formula. For detailed information see [www.partnershipfoundation.nl](http://www.partnershipfoundation.nl)

#### **The formula**

- Providing street children (girls) with permanent accommodation in existing school buildings
- One - to - one education by regular pupils or bridge education until the children are able to enter mainstream education at approximately their own age level.
- First rate cooperation 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 in 2007, and Mr. Harsh Mander, human rights activist, in June 2010 appointed as a member of the National Advisory Council, chaired by Sonia Gandhi. Harsh is columnist for The Hindu and Times of India, and guest lecturer at Ahmedabad business school on Economics & Poverty.
- PF is a low cost and 100%-volunteer organisation in the Netherlands (total annual cost around 3% of total income). The cost per child per year in India amount to average € 500,=.
- The manual 'Management & Organisation of the Rainbow Homes' contains the essentials of the program and reporting requirements which the partners in India have to comply with.

#### **Results**

- As per April 1<sup>st</sup> 2011, Partnership Foundation is responsible for 22 Rainbow Homes in Calcutta, New Delhi, Hyderabad, Anantapur and Bangalore, totalling approx 1700 street children (girls).
- Planning: 25 Rainbow Homes by the end of 2011 and 30 by the end of 2012.

#### **Quality management**

- Deloitte, Haskins & Sells and 100% KPMG daughter BSR & CO as financial auditors in India
- 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

#### **Supervisory Board**

- Wieteke Beernink, chair supervisory board, owner and interim manager at Forente
- Theo Gerritsen, member supervisory board, former partner with Deloitte Tax

- Nienke van den Hoek, member supervisory board, chair of Riho Foundation
- Koos van der Velden, member supervisory board, professor Public Health at Radboud University
- Ferd van Koolwijk, founder and member supervisory member, consultant and publicist

### **Board**

- Michiel Steeman, chairman of the board, Head Strategy and Business Development at ING Leasing & Factoring
- Maurice Unck, secretary of the board, Director Business- and productdevelopment at NS (Dutch Railways)
- Marcel Peijs, treasurer of the board, Head Corporate Retail Team at ING
- Lisette van Herk, member of the board
- Loes Klappe, member of the board

### **Advisory Board**

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

### **References in India include**

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

### **Potential of the Rainbow Home formula.**

The Rainbow Home Formula has the potential to become a world wide low cost intervention model for street children. Thanks to mr. Harsh Mander's work in the National Advisory Council, the Government of India has decided in 2011 to establish 680 residential facilities for street children inspired by the Rainbow Home model, and released the corresponding funds.

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