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Freedom, Health, Shelter, and Education Saving and Transforming Lives Together

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At Nepal Youth Foundation, our mission is to provide hope and opportunity to Nepal's most impoverished children by providing them what is every child's birthright: Freedom, Health, Shelter and Education.

Dear Friends,

What a challenge it is to capture the breadth and impact of NYF's comprehensive programs in these brief summaries! Every statistic represents a child's life transformed through the commitment of our team in Nepal and the generosity of our donors.

Every day, NYF provides intervention that saves the lives of malnourished children; scholarships that offer previously unimagined opportunities to bright, impoverished youth; support that empowers young women who spent their childhoods in servitude; a safe, healthy home for orphaned and abandoned children, and so much more.

Among the highlights of the past year: NYF continued to help rebuild schools, families, and communities in the wake of the devastating 2015 earthquakes, while celebrating the opening of our new, permanent home for children at Olgapuri Children's Village and launching a new vocational school.

Over the past 27 years, NYF has directly assisted more than 50,000 children and youth – and that benefit ripples through their families, their communities, and throughout Nepal. To each person who has helped to make that possible – thank you. We are so very grateful.

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Freedom



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Coming from an impoverished family of six, "Rhea" was bonded into servitude at age 12 and deprived of her education. Rescued by NYF, she enrolled in her village school where she did well. Five years later, she is now in the 3rd year of her Bachelor's degree while also running a small poultry farm.

Opened with a loan from the Freed Kamlari Cooperative, her business is so successful that she repaid the loan and provides a comfortable living for her family.

Rhea is one of over 12,800 Freed Kamlari women whose lives have been completely transformed through NYF's work since 2000. In 2013, the government of Nepal abolished the Kamlari system. NYF's Empowering Freed Kamlaris program (EFK) helps former Kamlari girls become independent young women. The program also stimulates the cultural and economic development necessary to ensure that no girl will ever again become a victim of Kamlari.



With support from NYF friends like you, this year:

- 147 girls were rescued
- **2,757** girls were in school (117 are working on their Bachelor's degree and 5 are working on their Masters.)
- 1,520 freed Kamlari girls received psychological support
- 4,239 were members of 42 registered cooperatives

Support from

Health

As a listless, severely malnourished four-month old, "Bibesh" entered the Nutrition Rehabilitation Home (NRH). In just 24 days, our staff restored his health while his young mother learned to prepare nutritious foods. She returned home with a healthy, happy child and lifesaving information to share with others.

NRHs have successfully treated more than 14,200 children like Bibesh to date, part of NYF's commitment to children's health.



In 2016-17:

- 636 malnourished children were treated at 5 NRHs;
 539 caregivers received training on how to maintain their child's health...90% of children were in good health at follow up
- 3,995 children were screened at 18 Nutritional Camps; the 26% identified as undernourished were referred for free services. 2,351 caretakers were educated on hygiene and nutrition
- The New Life Center provided medical treatment to 70 children and their mothers living with HIV/AIDS, one of the most stigmatized illnesses in Nepal;
 58 children were discharged with improved health
- Anukur Counseling Center conducted 476 individual and 165 group counselling sessions to help children heal from trauma, loss, abandonment, and neglect



Shelter



Believed to be about five years old, little "Agni" was brought to Olgapuri by social workers when no family could be identified. From a terrified child facing a hostile world alone, she's blossomed into a friendly girl who's adjusting to her new home and ready to begin school.

Olgapuri, NYF's beautiful new permanent home for 80 children and teens, opened in September (details on the back page).

While children at Olgapuri become part of the NYF family, through Kinship Care, we're able to support even more children – providing stipends for their education, food & health care while they remain safe with relatives.

Thanks to generous supporters like you, this year:

- 80 children with nowhere else to turn lived safely at Olgapuri Village, attended excellent schools, received regular medical care, and participated in a rich program of recreational and cultural activities
- 79 children remained with their families while NYF provided scholarships and assisted with living expenses through our regular Kinship Care program



generous friends like you

Education



At 8, "Chitra" has endured more suffering than most do in a lifetime. Her father died from a drug overdose and her mother is in jail. With no other relatives to care for her, Chitra faced a bleak future. With a scholarship from NYF, Chitra is safely studying at Boarding School. She has blossomed into a happy, confident young girl, and NYF staff visit frequently to ensure her well-being.

NYF provides a variety of scholarships to meet individual students' needs, including boarding school, kinship care, disabled school, day school, and university. NYF also offers career counseling and vocational education.



In 2016-17:

- **69** new students and **659** continuing students received scholarship support (kindergarten to Bachelor's degree)
- The Boarding School, Day School, and Disabled programs had more than a 95% pass rate
- NYF's Early Childhood Development Program, aimed at improving the overall teaching and learning environment, supported 1,109 children at 40 different schools
- 222 new students were enrolled in technical and vocational training; 295 graduates gained employment this year

Sustained Earthquake Response

In spring 2015, two major earthquakes devastated large parts of Nepal. In addition to the immediate and mid-range disaster response, NYF has continued to help children and families recover.

- NYF has completed 182 earthquake-safe classrooms, restoring essential education opportunities for impoverished children whose schools were destroyed
- While 142 families have regained self-sufficiency,
 600 children continue to receive support under our special earthquake scholarship and kinship care
- 692 people have been trained in specialized building skills for earthquake reconstruction





transforms lives. Thank You.



Fulfilling the Dream: A True Home at Last

At a festive, heart-warming inauguration in September 2016, NYF staff, guests, and Nepali dignitaries celebrated the opening of Olgapuri Children's Village ("Olga's Little Oasis"). Dedicated to NYF's founder Olga Murray, the village represents the fulfillment of a longstanding dream to provide a permanent sanctuary for orphaned, abandoned, and neglected children in our care.

From NYF's early days, J House (for boys) and K House (for girls) offered safety for children. Relying on rented homes meant less-than-ideal housing and the periodic need to relocate, while limited space meant that teens moved into hostels (with NYF support and supervision).

Our very own Olgapuri Village comprises a beautiful residential space with four houses (Junior Boys, Junior Girls, Senior Boys and Senior Girls) for 80 children and teens, a farm to provide much of their food, and a vocational training center. The children attend some of the best schools in Kathmandu, receive nurturing support, and are able to remain with the NYF Family until they are independent.



"Namaste, to the children of Olgapuri: the future is looking bright, remember dreams do come true."

-Supporter message

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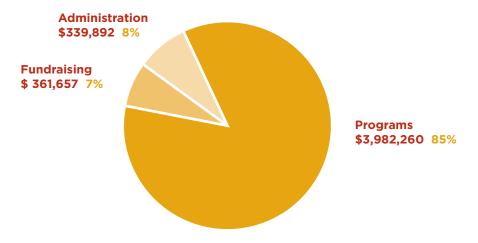
Revenue

Grants & Contributions \$3,910,186
Investment & Interest Income \$268,370
Total \$4,178,556

Expenses[2]

Total	\$4 683 808
Fundraising	\$361,657
Administration	\$339,892
Programs	\$3,982,260

^[1] This is a preliminary summary. The audited financial statement will be available in March 2018. ^[2] Includes earthquake relief and Olgapuri construction for which donations were received in the prior fiscal years For 990 Tax Returns and Audited Financial Statements, please visit www.nepalyouthfoundation.org



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