



# Annual Report 2017-18

Healthy, Educated Children Are the Future of Nepal 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,

Within these few pages, we're pleased to share some highlights of NYF's recent year.

Each of these brief summaries represents the broad and deep impact our programs make for some of the most desperate children in Nepal.

In many ways this year was about completing what we'd started: settling in to the operations of our lovely children's home at Olgapuri, finalizing construction of the new building for the New Life Center, preparing to transfer four Nutritional Rehabilitation Homes to the Nepali government, and wrapping up the Earthquake relief work launched in 2015.

NYF's team is uniquely positioned to respond to urgent needs and opportunities to make an impact. During the catastrophic August floods, our interventions helped 500 affected families begin their road to recovery.

We've also focused on planning and building for the future. For example, the Olgapuri Social Enterprise formed in 2017 creates entrepreneurial opportunities.

In a country with almost no safety net, it's the vulnerable who suffer the most. With generous support from the US and around the world, NYF is doing our part for some of the most marginalized children in Nepal. Severely malnourished and traumatized, disabled, orphaned and abandoned, those stigmatized with HIV/AIDS, the lowest castes and girls - these are the children and youth who count on us.

On their behalf, we are so grateful to the committed staff and volunteers, dedicated Board members, and most of all the generous donors who have made possible all that you read about in this report.

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## Freedom

2018 marked the five year anniversary since the Nepali Government officially abolished the Kamlari System, an amazing development in NYF's campaign to end this form of child servitude. Since first tackling this generations-old practice in 2000. NYF has rescued and empowered almost 13,000 young women and created economic opportunities to prevent the illegal continuation of the practice.

In addition to our work with Freed Kamlaris, many of NYF's programs help to prevent the trafficking, exploitation, or institutionalization of children by keeping them safe.

First eight women to receive essential government IDs



Support

### Health

This year, we opened our 17th Nutritional Rehabilitation Home in remote Dadeldura. More than 14,800 children have been treated at these centers since 1998. NYF expands our reach by bringing Nutrition Outreach Camps to families in extremely remote, rural communities that are isolated by rough terrain and lack of transportation.

We inaugurated NYF's new **New Life Center**, a specialized treatment facility for children and their mothers living with HIV/AIDS, one of the most stigmatized diseases in Nepal.

2017 also marked the 10 year anniversary of NYF's **Ankur Counseling Center**, the first children's mental health program in Nepal.

687

malnourished children were treated at the 6 NRHs operated by NYF; 623 caregivers received health-sustaining nutrition education

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84

2,903

children were screened at **Nutrition Camps**; 1,011 caregivers were educated on nutrition and hygiene

> children and their mothers living with HIV/ AIDS were treated at the New Life Center



277

children received individual and group counseling conducted by **Ankur Counseling Center** staff to help them heal from loss and trauma

## Shelter



NYF provides safe and healthy homes through two integrated programs. In its second year of operations, NYF's permanent children's residences at **Olgapuri** ("Olga's little oasis") offered a beautiful home for orphaned, abandoned, and at-risk children who remain with NYF "family" until they are self-sufficient.

Culturally appropriate and cost-effective, **Kinship Care** provides financial support to extended family members who otherwise would not be able to keep an orphaned or abandoned child safe at home.

83

of the most vulnerable children in Nepal thrived at **Olgapuri**. They attended highly-rated schools, received excellent healthcare, celebrated festivals, enjoyed fresh food they helped grow at the farm, and stayed active throughout the year.

738

more children were able to remain with their families while NYF provided stipends for their education and living expense through **Kinship Care** 

from generous friends like you

### Education

Education remains at the heart of our mission. As one of the largest non-governmental scholarship providers in Nepal, NYF provides life-transforming support to meet individual needs, from Kindergarten to Graduate School. Priority for **Scholarships** is given to the most marginalized – including female, disabled, and low-caste students.

1,483

students received scholarship support (including children in Kinship Care)

The pass rate for Boarding School, Day School, Disabled School, and Kinship Care was over

97%

80%

passed the higher secondary exam, a tremendous success in the context of the 45% countrywide average



# **Vocational Training**

Olgapuri Vocational School (OVS) began operating as a social enterprise this year, expanding our established Vocational Education and Career Counseling program which launched in 2007. From farming and midwifery to welding and carpentry, these programs teach high demand skills and help graduates secure gainful employment. Graduates earn as much as \$5,000 annually, a life-transforming impact in a country where one in four people live on less than \$1 a day.



## Flood Response

Catastrophic August 2017 floods in Nepal killed over 150 people and displaced thousands, including some of the children and families in our programs.

The generous response of the NYF community allowed us to immediately reach 500 families with essential supplies, support, and stipends to help them rebuild. NYF continues to monitor the status of the youth in our program as their communities recover.



transforms lives.





#### Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2018 [1]

#### Revenue

 Grants & Contributions
 \$2,408,613

 Investment & Interest Income
 \$245,423

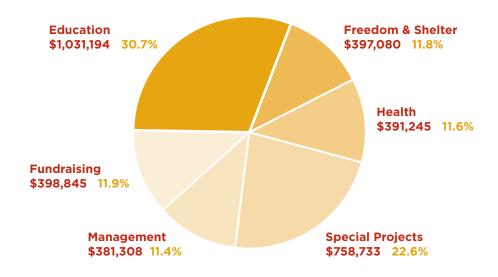
 Total
 \$2,654,036

#### Expenses[2]

Total	\$3,358,405
Fundraising	\$398,845
Management/Administration	\$381,308
Special Projects	\$758,733
Programs	\$1,819,519

<sup>[1]</sup> This is a preliminary summary. The audited financial statement will be available in March 2019.

For 990 Tax Returns and Audited Financial Statements, please visit www.nepalyouthfoundation.org



We're proud that NYF is top-rated by GreatNonprofits, our Silver status with GuideStar reflects our commitment to transparency, and that 12 consecutive years of 4-Star ratings with Charity Navigator keeps NYF in the top 1% of charities.







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<sup>[2]</sup> Includes earthquake relief and construction projects for which donations were received in prior fiscal years.



### **Pratik**

See more on **Health** inside.

Without enough food for an impoverished family of six, at 22 months old, "Pratik" weighed only 12 lbs. – 6 lbs. below normal weight. At NYF's Nutrition Rehabilitation Home, he received nutritious food, proper medication, and care, while his mother learned how to maintain his newfound health. In less than six weeks he gained 5 lbs. and transformed into a healthy and happy boy.



### Rani

See more on **Freedom** inside.

Deprived of her education and childhood, "Rani" worked in Kamlari servitude for six years until NYF rescued her. She recovered well, got married, and had two children. Lacking skills, her husband had to leave Nepal to seek employment. With training and support from NYF, Rani established a small snacks shop. Her husband returned to help her expand, and they now run two thriving businesses together, earning enough to send their kids to school and save for their future.



### Manu

See more on **Education** inside.

"Manu" passed secondary school with 83% marks, a remarkable achievement in a country where only 38% of students make it through the 10th grade. Despite her intelligence and dedication to her studies, she was at risk for giving up on her dream of a brighter future because her family couldn't afford her education. Fortunately, a local villager referred her to NYF. With our scholarship support, she is currently studying Bio Technology in Kathmandu University.



### **Aniana**

See more on **Shelter** inside.

Eight year old "Anjana" had an extremely difficult childhood. After her father left, Anjana's desperate mother resorted to dangerous labor. To protect her 3 year-old daughter from the high risk environment, she left Anjana with relatives. Extremely poor themselves, their meager resources soon ran out. Fortunately they were able to turn to NYF to provide a safe home for Anjana.

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