

ANNUAL REPORT 2023
**CHILD SPONSORSHIP
PROGRAMME
MONGOLIA**

PROGRAMME OVERVIEW

ESTABLISHED

1997

LOCATION

Ulaanbaatar city, it's eight districts (Bayanzurkh, Songinokhairkhan, Chingeltei, Khan-Uul, Sukhbaatar, Bayangol, Nalaikh and Bagakhangai); Orkhon Province, it's one soum (Bayan-Undur soum); Darkhan-Uul Province, it's one soum (Darkhan soum); Bulgan province, it's two soums (Bulgan, Gurvanbulag soums); Selenge province, it's one soum (Mandal soum); Tuv province, it's one soum (Bayanchandmani soum)

BACKGROUND

The Child Sponsorship Programme provides crucial financial sponsorships and social support to children living in abject poverty, ensuring all children have access to education and opportunities to improve their living conditions and lead self-sufficient and independent lives. The Programme connects vulnerable children and their families to people from around the world who want to be part of a rewarding journey to create lasting change in the lives of those most in need, by providing them with the means to access basic necessities

BENEFICIARIES

Children from severely disadvantaged backgrounds who are not enrolled in education or at high risk of dropping out due to financial hardship. Children who are orphans or street children; children from large families with parents with physical disabilities; children from low-income households; children whose families are living in extreme poverty. Children currently enrolled in the Child Sponsorship Programme who are over age 16 are considered for further support after high school if they are still experiencing extreme financial difficulty and want to pursue college or university level education or vocational training

LOCAL PARTNERS

Family, Child and Youth Development Agency of Mongolia; Family, Child and Youth Development Department of Ulaanbaatar City; The International Law Development Organisation; The Family, Child and Youth Development Agency, and its branches in the 8 districts of Ulaanbaatar; The Family, Child and Youth Development Agency of Orkhon province; The Family, Child and Youth Development Agency of Darkhan-Uul province; The Family, Child and Youth Development Agency of Bulgan province; The Secondary school in Gurvanbulag soum of Bulgan province; The Governor's Office in Mandal Soum of Selenge province; The Child Development Palace in Mandal soum of Selenge province; The Secondary school in Bayanchandmani soum of Tuv province; 108 Child Detention Centre (108 Nationwide Helplines For Children); "Manaa" Orphanage; Public school social workers; "Unur Bul" Government Orphanage; National Police Agency - Domestic

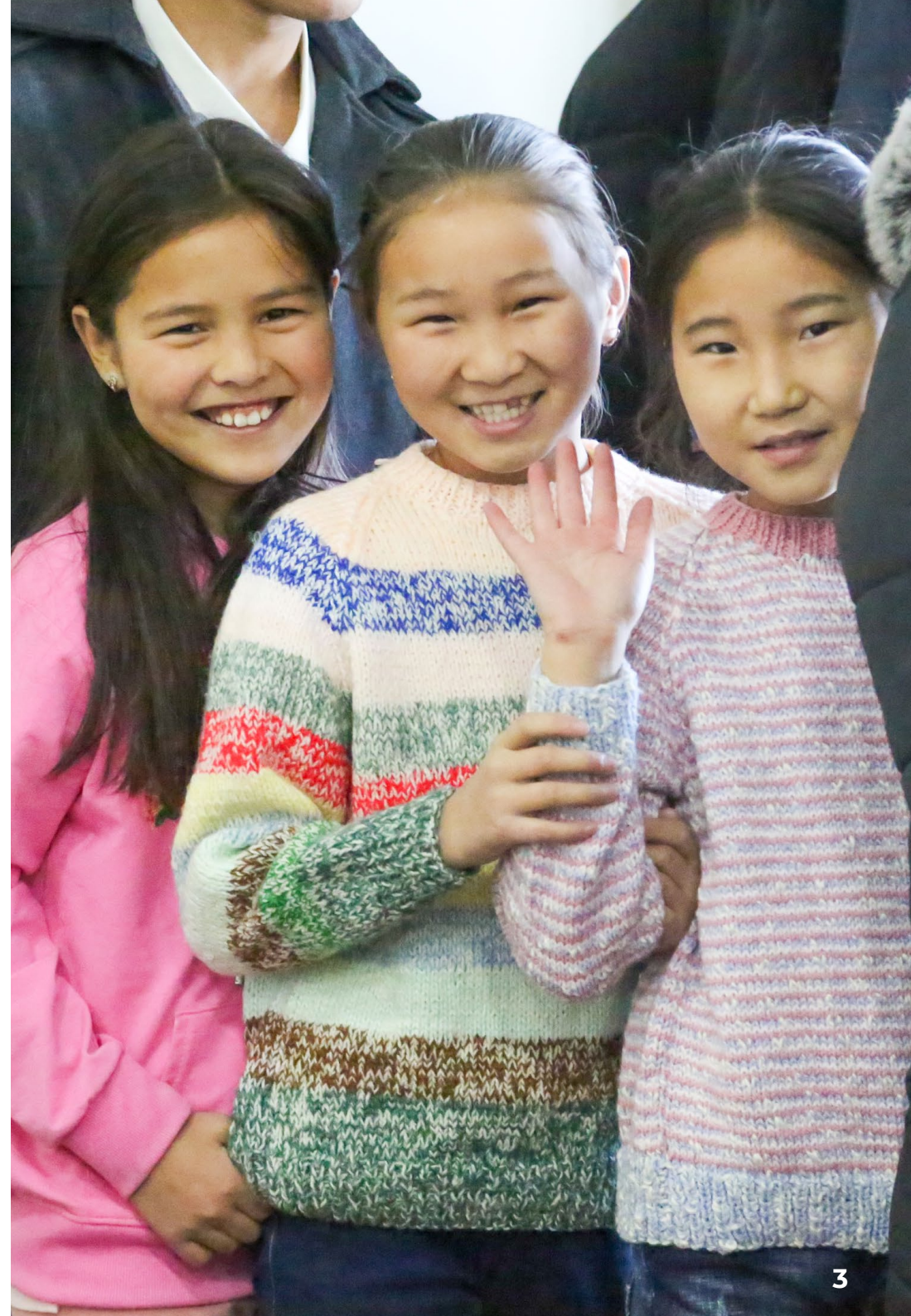
Violence Division; Desert Rose NGO; “Don bosko” orphanage; International Children’s Camp Nairamdal; National Centre Against Violence; National University of Mongolia; Young Social Workers’ Club; Mongolian Family Welfare Society

CNCF ACCOUNTABILITY

CNCF is entirely responsible for funding, programme management, monitoring and evaluation

MONITORING AND EVALUATION

CNCF Social Workers conduct annual home visits to Child Sponsorship Programme children and their families to assess their living conditions, livelihood needs and challenges. Updates are also provided at sponsorship distribution days known as “Community Day”. The social workers see most of the children each month at distribution days where the children and their families come to receive their sponsorship money. During distribution days, the social workers speak with the children to assess their home life and progress at school and offer guidance and support. Reports on the progress and achievements, and problems of the sponsored child are sent to each sponsor along with a personal letter written by the child. Internal team weekly meetings are conducted for CSP staff to update and exchange information with one another and to discuss programme-related issues and solutions. A monthly report is completed by the CNCF Programme Manager and by Country Director an annual report is made available to all stakeholders



OUR YEAR

In 2023, CNCF's Child Sponsorship Programme (CSP) remained steadfast in providing crucial financial and social support to children and their families living in extreme poverty. The monthly sponsorship covers the costs of education including tuition fees, school supplies, uniforms and transportation to and from school that families cannot afford. In addition to the monthly financial sponsorship, children and young adults are actively engaged in personal development activities aimed at fostering essential social and life skills. They are also provided with additional assistance to overcome challenges, ultimately empowering them to lead self-sufficient lives.

Since inception,

27,490 CHILDREN AND YOUNG ADULTS

have been supported with monthly financial sponsorship through the Child Sponsorship Programme in Mongolia to remain in school and further their education.

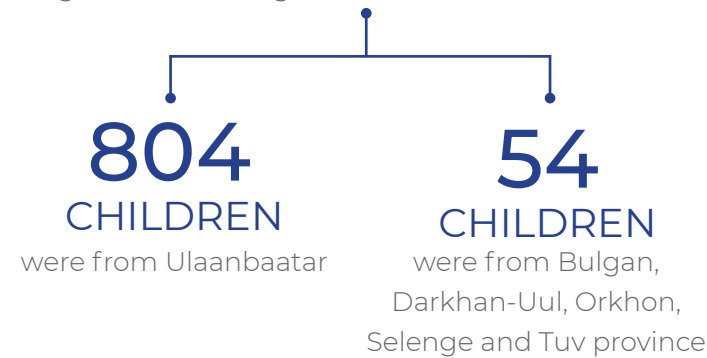
Age Group

Age	0 - 5	6 - 10	11 - 14	15 - 17	18 - 22	Over 22
Number of beneficiaries	11	198	300	197	126	26

In 2023,

 **858** CHILDREN

were supported through CNCF's Child Sponsorship Programme in Mongolia



In addition,

1,980 CHILDREN & **1,435** ADULTS
(aged 21 or below) (aged 22 or above)

living in the same household as the sponsored child were indirectly impacted by the Programme



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Demographics

435 CHILDREN come from single-income households

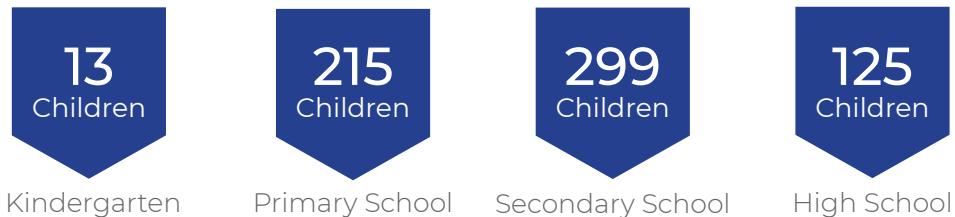
69 CHILDREN are full orphans

53 CHILDREN were abandoned by their parents

04 CHILDREN come from ethnic minorities

Education

Education Level



25 CHILDREN did not attend school due to age and disability

Education Outcomes



208 CHILDREN graduated from Primary School, Secondary School, High School, University, Vocational Training

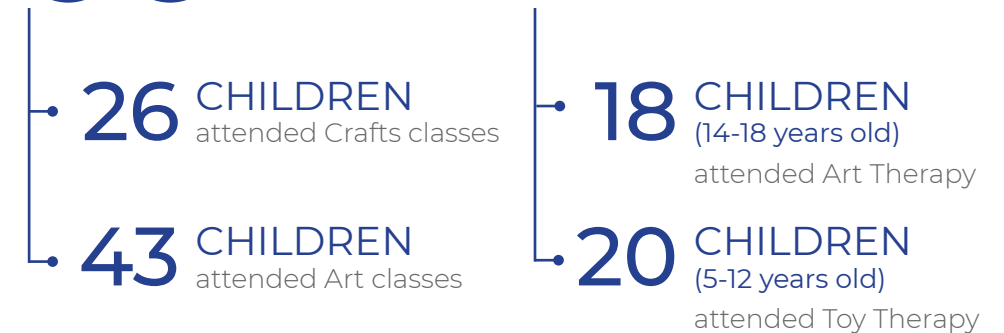


Extracurricular Activities

Extracurricular activities provide children with an opportunity to apply academic skills in a real practical context and promote positive educational experiences.




107 CHILDREN enrolled in CNCF's Arts & Music Programme



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Home Visits & Project Visits

 **894** HOME VISITS were conducted to CSP children, their families and new programme applicants for home assessment

 **753** LETTERS postcards or emails from sponsors were given to their sponsored children

 **726** LETTERS Christmas greetings from our children were sent to their sponsors

Life Skill Training & Workshops


 **444** CHILDREN attended 22 training and sharing session


 **175** GUARDIANS/PARENTS attended 06 trainings

Staff Training

 **14** STAFF TRAININGS were conducted with the participation of 09 CSP staff

Additional Support

 **211** CHILDREN received extra financial support for medical costs, tuition fees and emergency needs from their sponsors

 **29** FAMILIES

73 CHILDREN **30** ADULTS

in emergency situations were supported by CNCF's Special Assistance Fund


 **94** CHILDREN received Christmas and birthday presents from their sponsors

 **04** SPONSOR VISITS to the children and their families were facilitated


 **32,319 USD** extra financial support was provided to sponsored children



Psychological Support

 **172** CHILDREN received psychological support across 442 sessions by CNCF Psychologists

 **18** CHILDREN and 09 parents attended 05 Art Therapy classes by CNCF Psychologists

 **29** CHILDREN received psychological assessments from CNCF Psychologists

OUR STORIES

From Adversity to Achievement: Turuu's Journey with CNCF

Turuu* joined CNCF's Child Sponsorship Programme in 2014. Now 20 years old, he has graduated with a diploma in mechanical engineering from the Mongolian Japanese joint KOOSEN college. He lives with his grandmother, mother, and younger brother, without knowing his father. His grandmother is retired, and his mother is disabled, having lost her working capacity due to a severe spinal cord injury.

Since joining the Child Sponsorship Programme, Turuu has received regular health and psychological services through CNCF's Psychosocial and Healthcare Programme and has become a member of CNCF's Noble Volunteer Club. Through CNCF's multifaceted services, he has developed self-confidence, refined his communication skills, and cultivated a genuine desire to assist others. During his studies at KOOSEN, Turuu excelled academically and personally. Successfully passing a job interview and examination, Turuu secured an internship at Santo Company in Japan. This opportunity not only underscores his academic prowess but also his readiness to engage in the global workforce.

Turuu's ultimate aspiration is to leverage his education and experience to build a brighter future for himself and his family. He envisions a life where he can provide stability and happiness for his loved ones, breaking the cycle of financial hardship.

*Name changed to protect privacy



OUR YEAR

A Life Transformed by the Child Sponsorship Programme

"My name is Zoloo and I am 13 years old. I first joined CNCF's Child Sponsorship Programme in 2016. I live with my mother and older sister, our father ran away when we were young and never came back. When I was small, we lived from family to family, because we did not have own ger (a Mongolian traditional home) to live in.

My mother was working as a gatekeeper for an apartment entrance, sometimes we stayed in the entrance at night. There was no way for my mother to leave us in an orphanage and we stayed there for 3 years. But I think that I was a very lucky girl because my life has completely transformed since being enrolled in CNCF's Child Sponsorship Programme. I am always grateful for the moment when I was told that I have a sponsor who will support me, and this news lit a light in my life. Also, I always remember and am grateful for the day we received the ger from CNCF and our living conditions improved so much, finally giving us a warm and beautiful home of our own. It also provided me with a great opportunity to study and be educated in my own safe, peaceful environment and live happily together with my sister and mother. .

Every month since 2016, thanks to the generous sponsorship, I have received monthly money for my education and daily needs. Thank you to my sponsor in Ireland for their love, care, kind heart and commitment. If I had not met with CNCF and my kind sponsor, I would still be living a hard life and would not have gained confidence for my bright future ahead. I would like to express my deepest gratitude to the CNCF and my generous sponsor who is investing me so much in my education and whole life".

*Name and identity changed to protect privacy



FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

The total cost of the Child Sponsorship Programme in Mongolia in 2023 was:

Sponsorship Distribution Amount: **\$286,468.59 USD**

Special Assistance: **\$1,948.17 USD**

Additional Child Services and Project Running Costs:

\$99,121.37 USD

Heartfelt thanks to each and every Child Sponsor and the donors who enable CNCF to keep this project operating and also to those who generously support with gift and time in-kind which enables us to keep our costs down.

Our audits can be found [here](#).











CHILD SPONSORSHIP PROGRAMME IN MONGOLIA EXPENDITURES IN 2023

Expenditure	Amount (USD)
Sponsorship Distribution Amount	286,468.59
Special Assistance	1,948.17
Additional Child Services and Project Running Costs	99,121.37
TOTAL COST	387,538.13



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