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#### Our Mission:

We aim at promoting and advocating for the wellbeing of children, adolescents, and underprivileged families.

#### **Our Vision:**

We hope to be the beacon of hope to assist those needy children and their families regardless of the religion, ethnics or gender.

#### **Our Values:**

Timely Assistance, Christ's Love, Heartfelt Concerns and Professional Social Work.

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### **Words from the Chairman**

One of my core values is "Be steadfast in work and be honest in life". Thanks for the trust and support of the board of Directors who elected me as the chairman of 21th session of the Board and took office in July, 2015. I am glad that I have the opportunity to payback and join hands with all of you together. At present, TFCF is helping nearly 120,000 children worldwide, and around 250,000 children are self-reliant.



In 1985, I joined the Advisory Committee of TFCF Changhua Branch Office and became the committee member. At that time, I noticed that there was no office for our social workers to provide better services for the needy children. In 1988, I collected funds with Kiwanis Taiwan to build Hemei Children Center for Changhua Branch Office. I truly identified with TFCF's professional social work to needy children and their families. Along the way with TFCF, I have served as the advisory committee member and chair, board member, standing board member and chairman. Being a chairman, it involves a great deal of responsibilities and expectations, but meeting stakeholders' expectations is a vital part of my commitments.

TFCF has been running for 65 years and we appreciated the supports and trust from the government and the public. Now, under the CEO Ms. Betty Ho's leadership, we have around 1500 employees who keep continuing and expanding our services to the needy. Therefore, the board decided to re-nominate Ms. Ho as CEO and she won a second consecutive term in 2015. We all look forward to changing for better future and creating a new milestone for TFCF.

In the future, I will fulfill my promise to complete my duties and tasks as a chairman, even if I have to shoulder the heavy burden. In addition, I will continue to maintain the good reputation and tradition of TFCF to uphold the public's trust and financial accountability. We will keep forwarding the love without borders and creating a better future for children. They are decisive for the meaning and orientation of our existence and honor.

Li min Chao

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(from July 2015 to June 2018)

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## Words from the CEO

In 2015, Taiwan Fund for Children and Families has been on the journey to help people for sixty-five years. It has been 3 years since I took over the role of TFCF CEO in 2013. I appreciated the Board taking the lead and thanked my whole team for supporting me to achieve our goal together. Mother Teresa once said "Love is in the needs of others to see their own responsibility", therefore, through self-reflection, I always consider if we do take responsibilities and sincere concerns for those in need. Do we really place the social resources where they are a better fit? How can we think differently, generate new ideas and spark creativities in the coming year? How can



I find more resources and opportunities for TFCF during the economic distress? How can I carry my promises into practices to live up to the public expectation? It's my mission and responsibilities to ensure a better future for TFCF and the people we serve.

In the past year, TFCF continued providing services, launching more new initiatives and expanding services into rural and remote areas. In order to provide the most efficient and reliable services and have more people recognize TFCF, we have done the followings in Taiwan:

- Expanded the microfinance business plans to help our assisted families to eradicate poverty.
- Established Matsu Branch Office.
- Published the special edition "The Pioneer, TFCF" by Commonwealth Publishing Group for TFCF 65th Anniversary.
- Launched TFCF Restructuring Plan and improved Human Resource Management System.
- Held "Happiness Museum Exhibition" to introduce TFCF history and services through story-telling and photos.

In order to raise the international visibility of our accountability and enhance overseas services, we have done in abroad as follows:

- Certified by INGO Accountability Charter and became one of Affiliate Members.
- Joined GlobalGiving and explored more resources and opportunities of international support.
- Established Cambodia Branch Office as our 5th overseas Branch Office.

We are going to success in achieving more important targets under the governance of our new chairman, Mr. Li-Min Chao and the Board. We will move forward to next milestone with all Directors and staff. Since the global turn to austerity, I hope our sponsors and donors will keep supporting TFCF and help us carry on social welfare services steadily. To follow our mission "Where there is a child in need, there is TFCF", I commit to bring more welfare and happiness to underprivileged children and families.

Su-Chion Ho

# Organizational Profile



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# **Brief History**

- 1938 China's Children Fund (CCF) was established in Richmond, Virginia, by Christians in the States.
- 1950 Established Children's Cottage
  Home, Kwang-In as the 1st familystyle orphanage in Taiwan setting
  the foundation for our services and
  programs, later took over by Ta-Tung
  Children's Home.
- 1964 Established the 1st field office in Taichung and 23 Family Helper Projects (now called Branch Offices) to provide services for children and families in Taiwan.
- 1985 CCF/Taiwan became fully independent from Christian Children's Fund and no longer received financial support from foreign donors.

- 1987 Organized Foreign Children
  Sponsorship Program and sponsored
  children in Asia, America, and Africa.
  Launched Child Protection Services
  firstly in Taiwan.
- 2002 Changed our name to Taiwan Fund for Children and Families (TFCF).

  Joined ChildFund Alliance to expand our services and help more needy children worldwide.
- 2003 Awarded with 2003 Sun Award, the highest reward of Presidential Culture Prize on the promotion of social welfare.
- 2004 Established Mongolia Branch Office as our 1st overseas Branch Office.
- 2005 Awarded with 2005 Best Social Welfare Foundation from Ministry of the Interior.
- 2006 Awarded with 2006 Social Education Promotion Award from Ministry of Education.







- 2008 Awarded with 2008 Best Social Welfare Foundation from Ministry of the Interior. Started providing our services in China.
- 2009 Awarded with 2009 Sustainable NGO
  Award from Executive Yuan. Awarded
  with the Certificate of Appreciation for
  Helping Typhoon Morakot Relief Work
  from Ministry of the Interior.
- 2010 Awarded with 8th Excellent Award for Advancing Cross-Strait Relations from Mainland Affairs Council.

  Entrusted by Ministry of the Interior for 1957 Welfare Information Line and 1996 Hotline of Interior Affairs services.
- 2011 Awarded with 2011 Best Social
  Welfare Foundation from Ministry
  of the Interior. Awarded with the
  Certificate of Appreciation for
  Fundraising Japan 311 Earthquake
  Relief Work from Ministry of the
  Interior.

- 2012 Established Kyrgyzstan Branch Office as our 2nd overseas Branch Office.
- 2013 Established Swaziland Branch Office as our 3rd overseas Branch Office. Initiated April 28th as Child Protection Day to give widespread attention to child protection issues in Taiwan.
- 2014 Awarded with 2014 Best Social Welfare Foundation from Ministry of Health and Welfare. Established Vietnam Branch Office as our 4th overseas Branch Office. TFCF officially withdrew from ChildFund Alliance with effect from January 1, 2015.
- 2015 Established Cambodia Branch Office as our 5th overseas Branch Office.

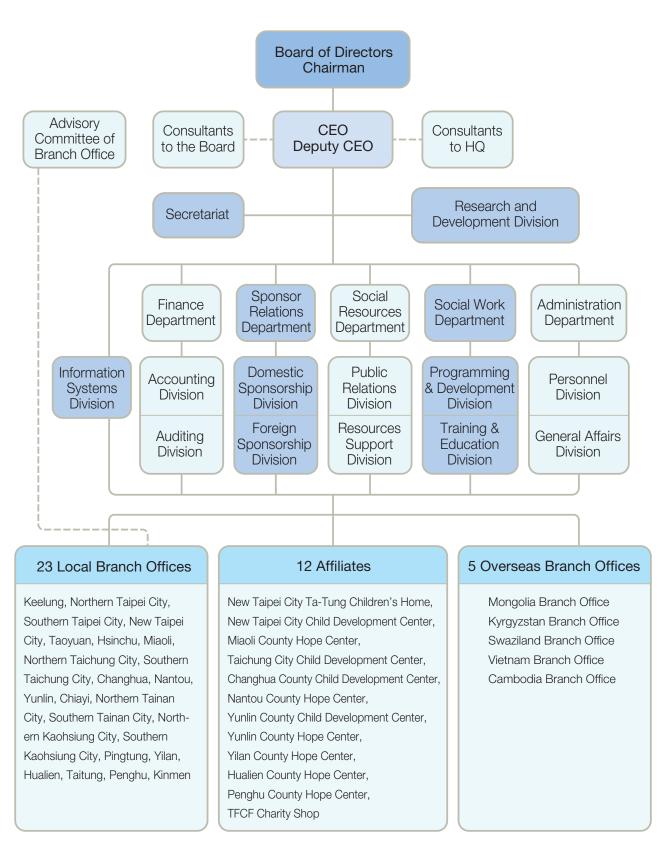
  Became the affiliate member of INGO Accountability Charter. Joined GlobalGiving, the first and largest global crowdfunding community.







# **Organizational Chart**



Note: TFCF has been entrusted by the government to be in charge of the "1957 Welfare Information Line" since 2010.

# News Highlights



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#### **65-Year Happiness** with TFCF



Taiwan Fund for Children and Families has been founded for 65 years and the number of staff has been increased from 3 to 1400. There have been lots of remarkable achievements in helping underprivileged children and families, and actualizing the realities of the transformed life in more than 500 thousand people's lives and benefitting more than one million people for 65 years. As always, thank you for your support - we couldn't do what we do without you!

#### **Happiness Museum**

An "Happiness Museum Exhibition" was held at National Taiwan Science Education Center in Taipei City on August 18 to mark the 65th anniversary of the founding of Taiwan Fund for Children and Families. In the museum, we displayed the featuring artwork made by those who received help through TFCF. 10 real-life stories between the social workers and the assisted families were recorded and told to share those life experience with the public. This event also documented a great achievement in how those needy people paid the love forward to be thriving practice nationwide.

#### Happy Day

On August 18, TFCF invited more than 1,300 disadvantaged children and their parents to experience the facility in Taipei Children's Amusement Park with the support of Taipei Rapid Transit Corporation. According to our survey of 27,000 vulnerable families, we found nearly 60% of children who wanted to go to Children's Amusement Park with their parents, however, they were unable to fulfill the wish on their own at this stage due to their family's financial situation. As we know that there were 63% of households with the monthly income lower than NTD20,000 and more than 80% of children



and youth had household chores or jobs during summer vacation. Therefore, we organized the event, "Happy Day", and hoped that children and families would recall the day as sweet memories.

#### The Pioneer, TFCF

One of the ways to mark the 65th anniversary of the founding of TFCF was to publish a special edition which the Commonwealth Publishing Group helped us publish the book called "The Pioneer, TFCF". There were dozens of social welfare partners and social entrepreneur supporters gathering together to attend the book launch party on August 5. This book contains TFCF social work stories which touch hearts and also collects all child protection initiative raised by TFCF in 65 years.

We're in this together and our success to be your success. Thank all donors for your support and we will keep transforming more lives in the future.



#### **Anti-Poverty Campaign**

A long-term financial stability is the foundation that helps lift families out of poverty. According to our study, 58.5% of disadvantaged families with household monthly income were less than NT\$20,000 and 50% of families got long-term unemployment or part-time employment due to illness, low level of education, or caring for a family member. Since years ago, we have started a fundraising plan, "Anti-Poverty Generation", and helped disadvantaged children and families receive more resources. We hope they could gradually climb out of poverty and have opportunities to realize their dreams. This year, we invited Mr. Jay Chou, a well-known singer to be our spokesman without remuneration. He also donated NTD 1,000,000 to support this plan at first and hopes to serve as a modest spur to induce public to come forward with his valuable contributions.

As a follow-up campaign of our project, we held TFCF 2nd Bitter-Sweet Experiential Day in National Dr. Sun Yat-sen Memorial Hall on October 3, 2015. Through interactive and barricade-breaking games, we provided opportunities for the public to experience poverty as it was by assuming the role of a person living in poverty. Per the observation of TFCF social workers, disadvantaged families with financial difficulties usually



work with long-working hours, low-wage and low-skilled laborintensive jobs, such as sewing umbrella canopies, hand-peeling garlics, hand-shelling peanuts, shucking oysters etc..

The International Day for the Eradication of Poverty has been observed every year since 1993 designated by the United Nations General Assembly. 5000 people took part in a rally against poverty organized by Taiwan Fund for Children and Families (TFCF) on Oct.17 in Changhua this year. Most of them were parents and children who joined this cause to support TFCF running for charitable activity. Mr. Li-Min Chao, chairman of TFCF, led all staffs of TFCF and invited County Magistrate of ChangHua County Government and many sponsors to participate in "1017 TFCF Running Festival". The guests included the representatives from Carrefour Taiwan, Mercuries Corporation, and Vitalon Welfare Foundation etc.. Mr. Chao and all sponsors intended to bring attention to the issue of poverty and

promote people's awareness of the need to eradicate poverty and destitution worldwide. In addition to TFCF running activities, people also helped collect recycling materials and experienced of being poor. The price for recycling was really low and unable to help children and families improve their lives. However, it could be the daily work for many vulnerable families because they are unemployed due to the serious illness or the lack of skills and education.

TFCF would like to call on the public to support and donate money to help the needy children and families. Let children satisfy their hunger, preserve their health, provide them with education and emergency assistance and have opportunities to significantly reduce poverty further. Join TFCF campaign, Anti-Poverty Generation, you may see that your small change means a big change for needy children and help children create a bright future.

#### The Annual Award Ceremonies of **TFCF Great Moms & Outstanding Children**

Two annual award ceremonies were held separately for 24 great mothers on April 19th and for 23 outstanding children on March 29th. They were selected by TFCF from over 26 thousand assisted households in Taiwan.



In honor of mothers' labor of love, we would like to pay tribute to vulnerable mothers who make the supreme sacrifice and care for their families. As for those outstanding children, we



praised them for their diligence and the optimistic and brave attitudes to face the challenges of life. Their spirits and courage are the best role models for others. Through the ceremonies, we hope that their experience and real-life stories will influence more people who bear witness to their accomplishments and will be able to create their own best lives.

#### **TFCF Annual Appreciation Ceremony**



On June 27th, 2015, TFCF held an Annual Appreciation Ceremony and conveyed our heartfelt gratitude to all people who have helped and contributed to our work including our long-term sponsors, Advisory Committee of Branch Offices, models of

self-reliance, general donators, child protectors and volunteers. Taiwan Vice President Wu Den-Yih attended the ceremony and recognized the contribution of TFCF and all honorees. It was touching, spiritual and so full of love and captured the hearts of all of those in attendance.

There were many enterprises participating in the social welfare activities enthusiastically and contributed a lot for needy children. Both Samsung Taiwan and Amway Hope Marker Charity Foundation received a special award respectively from Vice President Wu. They were rewarded as the great models of Corporate Social Responsibility in Taiwan.

With the generous support of the public, TFCF will keep improving our services and bringing more social welfare benefits for vulnerable children and families.

#### **TFCF National Young Talent Show**

On March 14th, 2015, Taiwan Fund for Children and Families (TFCF) celebrated the 65th anniversary and invited children and youth from national branches to participate in our National Young Talent Show in Taichung. There were 33 teams joining our show. We also hosted an exhibition of children's works at CaoWu Art Space. It was a great opportunity for vulnerable children and youth who could come onstage and show their performances to the public.

Most of the needy children and youth possess amazing talents and potentials, but their families could not afford to cultivate their talents due to financial difficulties. It is our promise that TFCF would help children realize their potentials and let their dreams come true.







#### Top 10 Worst Child Abused News

On December 16, 2015, we held a press conference on revealing 10 worst child abused cases in Taiwan. According to the Ministry of Health and Welfare (MHW) statistics, there were 4,879 abused cases reported in the first half of the year. On average, there were 26 reported cases of abused children per day. We noticed a rising number in regard to child protection cases aged 0-6 in recent years and 25 percent of child abused cases were under age 6 in 2015. After collecting 344 child abuserelated cases, 69 cases were classified into the worst child abuse cases (20.1%), including child deaths caused by abuse, neglect, abandonment, and familicide. There were 11 children who suffered serious Injuries and 53 children died. Unfortunately, 36 children died under age 6,

and 23 children died under age 2. It is the serious problem obviously, and we all know that babies and young children are the most innocent victims due to their inability. We should help stop the tragic causes as soon as possible. Therefore, we highly recommend that governments should strengthen and prioritize the social support system for high-risk families who have children under age 6.

TFCF CEO, Ms. Betty Ho,

urged the public to be aware and observe any odd behaviors or abnormalities in children and youths. Do not hesitate to give a helping hand whenever any child abused found. Everyone is expected to report every instance of suspected child abuse or neglect immediately. We all have the responsibility to establish a comprehensive network of child protection to keep children safe from any violence.





#### **Advocacy for Children** and Youth

The Advocacy for Children and Youth is one of TFCF child protection tasks for needy children and families. In 2015, TFCF conducted a survey of 1630 junior high school students regarding to parental attitudes and discipline this year. The survey called "Parents' discipline of junior high school students" indicated that 30% of students had bad interaction with parents, and 37% of their parents seldom



praised their kids. To review the parenting styles, we found that 32% of their parents yelled and used corporal punishment to discipline children. Based on a further analysis of the parentchild conflict of junior high school students, 95% of students disliked their parents making a comparison to others, and 32% of them engaged in conflicts with their parents due to children's disrespectful or rude behavior.

After entering the middle school, most of children begin to experience a tremendous amount of change including rapid physical development in adolescence. Although they are beginning to look like adults,

middle school students still need parental and adult guidance and assistance. However, as students grow more independent during these years, it can be challenging for parents to interact with them, and parent-child conflict increases as children move into adolescence. TFCF urged and recommended '631' discipline tips for parents with middle school children including 60% listening, 30% discussing, and 10% disciplining. We hope parents could use '631' as an appropriate and effective discipline to get along with their children. We believe that parental support plays a crucial role in helping preteens and teens to get through their adolescent rebellion.

On November 20, 2015, the eve of 2015 International Children's Rights Day, TFCF announced a survey resulting to explore the correlation between youth civic engagement and social media usage by teens. We found that 78% of high school students gained an understanding of public affairs on Facebook

or LINE, 47.2% of them had discussions in public affairs with peers once a week, and 45.4% of students had talks with families, and only 23.7% discussed with teachers. According to our finding, it indicated that high schools should consider to improve the learning of youth civic engagement for students.

In addition to encouraging high school students to take part in public affairs, TFCF urged Education Authorities to assist vouth civic engagement and also proposed 4 suggestions for this issue:

- (1) Teenagers should have more discussion instead of just pressing "like".
- (2) Parents should always encourage their children to express more.
- (3) Schools should have students get involved in community activities.
- (4) Government should adopt the teenagers' opinions to show respects to their rights.





#### **TFCF International Volunteer Program**

TFCF has recruited volunteers to join international voluntary service since the early of 2015. The candidates of the First TFCF International Volunteer Program to Kyrgyzstan were all vulnerable children supported by TFCF branches in Taiwan. There were 8 youths taking international aid (development) courses for six months before participating in Kyrgyzstan community services for local children and youth in need from July 29 to August 13, 2015. The services included Cultural Exchange, Growth Group and Children's Leading Camp. They had the best practices and shared their experiences and tips on building their lives. After the two-week program, the first TECE International Volunteer

Program Showcase was held at Pumpkin House work station in Southern Taipei City Branch on October 25. People could see the presentation of team members, including activity record video, their feedback and experience, the traditional food and dress of Kyrgyzstan.

All youths from the team realized how a wonderful opportunity they were experiencing even it was just a two-week program. A college student, Rong, said that "We want to help them as much as we can, and look forward to seeing their lives change better". All of them admitted that this was the best way to spend their summer vacation to provide international voluntary services. They all are willing

to participate in the voluntary work and help more people globally in the future. They will share their stories with people and make a positive impact on the society.

TFCF CEO, Ms. Ho said, "I am so touched and moved while seeing this showcase". TFCF International Volunteer Program provides the opportunities for members to learn from different cultures, broaden and light up their outlook upon the world. As the role of TFCF International Volunteer Program, in addition to focusing on youths learning from voluntary services and broadening their worldview, it leads to a consistently greater accumulation of practice and draws the public attention to vulnerable children in the world.

#### **A Fondant Girl**

The contest, 2015 FHC China International Culinary Arts Competition, was held at Shanghai New International Expo Centre, China, from November 12th - 14th. The competition was the first of its kind in China to have received World Association of Chefs Societies (WACS) endorsement, which caught the attention of a record number of 450 chefs who competed in 15 categories. All 450 chefs competing at FHC and Zheng Wan Rou has received an outstanding scores and won a bronze medal of Display Challenge Category in 2015 FHC International Culinary Arts Competition. For winning such prestigious award in an international event, Zheng was very happy and worth the time spent for the preparation of contest.

Her mother is a garment worker who must work hard and longer hours. Zheng grew up at garment factories and she was so much more mature than other children were at her age. Currently, she is the student of Ching Kuo Institute of Management and Health. By studying hard, getting better grades and pursuing her object, she has become a pastry chef and won several medals and awards





at various culinary competitions.

She has armed with these challenging technical skills of professional cake decorating, and finished her works at FHC. Zheng said that her design idea was from her mother, and she made a specialty 3D fondant sculpted mother in work cake, named "A Beautiful Woman". Zheng and her mother are thankful for the assistance and support they have received from Taiwan Fund for Children and Families and all sponsors. She will move forward with people's encouragement and make her dreams come true.

We believe that the fondant girl will keep delivering more touching stories with sweet pastry.

#### **A Young Illustrator**

Taiwanese illustrator Ya-ling Huang won Special Mention of the 2016 BolognaRagazzi Award for Disability at the 2016 Bologna Children's Book Fair. It is one of the most coveted awards in the industry on an international scale, and it was



also Huang's first step toward realizing her longheld dream of becoming an illustrator.

Huang was one of needy children supported by TFCF Northern Tainan branch office and she becomes self-reliant and has written and illustrated several acclaimed books for children. She also saved money on her Working Holiday in Australia for two years. With her talent in drawing, she is studying MA children's book illustration at Anglia Ruskin University currently through her own saving and support from TFCF and others.

Education is an important step toward moving out of poverty, and it is also the best way to reduce wealth inequality. Give needy children an opportunity, so we will have the chance to see their lives flipped better.

# National Programs & Services



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# Domestic Children Sponsorship Program

Taiwan Fund for Children and Families (TFCF) is an international non-governmental organization (INGO) who provides support to vulnerable children and their families and has its headquarters in Taichung, Taiwan. From the financial support through foreign donors in the very early beginning, we are now a self-independent organization whose mission and vision still remains on the consideration of needy children's benefits. We are helping children in dire need in Taiwan and worldwide all through the contribution and donation from the public.

TFCF national branches have been established in counties and cities of Taiwan to carry on our services for more children and families since 1964. We also have introduced Family Helper Projects into Taiwan and launched the domestic children sponsorship program to deliver donations directly to needy families. By providing financial assistances, we work to keep families together and hope vulnerable children to grow up in origin families.

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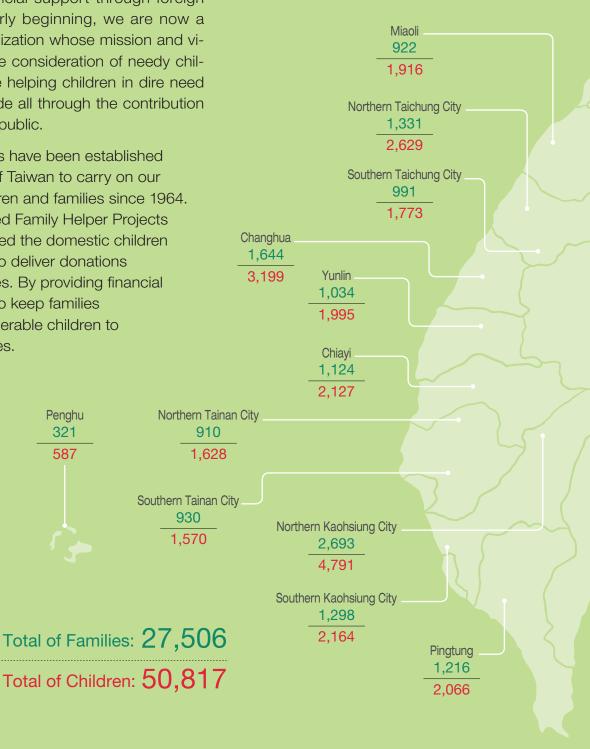
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#### **Numbers of Sponsored Children** and Families by TFCF Branches



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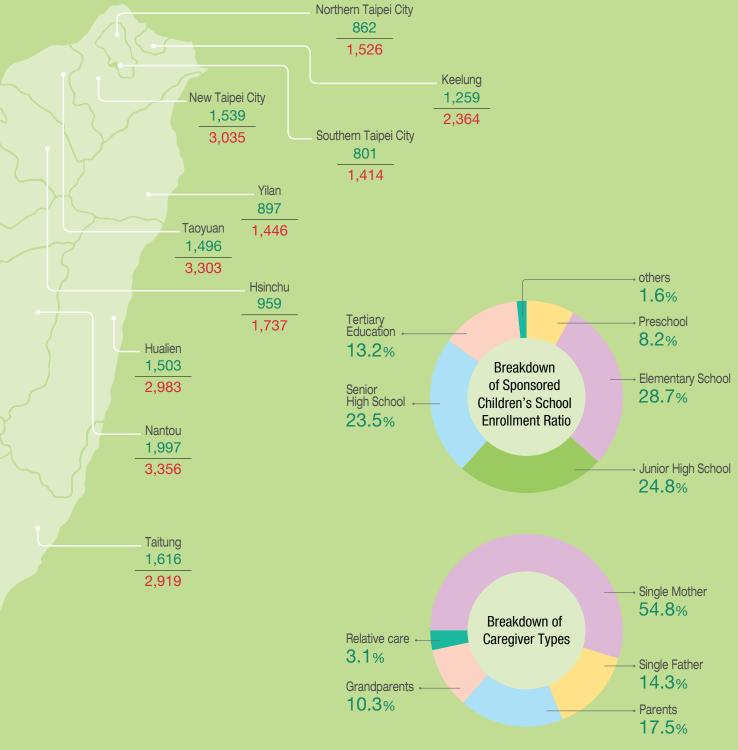
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# New cases of financial support

# Service for the Needy

In order to assist vulnerable children and youth and improve their living environment to grow, TFCF provides various services to support their needs through professional social work. The family structure in Taiwan has become different because the society changes for past decades, and our services have become increasingly diverse as well. Not only do we provide monthly subsidies and gifts in kind to all sponsored children, but we also provide financial support, emergency relief, counseling services, recreational services, capacity building programs, parentified child assistance, health maintenance, preschool allowance, study-related counseling services, and TFCF neighborhood program, etc. We aim to make substantial changes in the lives of impoverished children and their families and end the cycle of poverty.

- The number of families increased: 3,486
- The number of children increased: 6.112
- Case closed of supported children
- The number of self-reliant child/youth: 6,618
- The cumulative total of self-reliant child/ youth: 196,029







#### **Financial Support Program**

#### (1) Sponsorship Program

In addition to the Sponsorship Program, we have begun Family Sponsorship Program since 2008, and the cumulative total of sponsored families was 13,359 by the end of 2015.

#### (2) Scholarships and Student Aids

The education is the best route out of poverty of vulnerable children and youth. We provided different kinds of scholarships to 53,018 students from elementary schools to universities by the end of 2015.

#### (3) Emergency Relief

To help needy families address immediate basic needs in times of crisis and get back to normal lives as soon as possible, TFCF provided the Emergency Relief Fund for 2,994 families by the end of 2015.

#### **Counseling Services**

To provide group counseling for child & youth and parents, we focus on improving the quality of the parent-child relationship for vulnerable children and families. TFCF organized 690 activities of group counseling, and the cumulative total of attendance was 12,413. Through contributions of enterprises, we provided school adjustment counseling and tutoring services. With appropriated learning environment and services for needy children and youth, we hope to close learning gaps and cultivate interest in learning.

#### **Recreational Services**

To inspire needy children and develop their capacity on innovation and creativity, we aimed to provide diversified, interesting, and fun-filled themed learning activities and organized afterschool programs, winter and summer camps, family gathering activities for needy children and families. In 2015, we provided classes, including Ukulele, Cheerleading, Harmonica, Choir, Taiko, Dancing, Hip Hop Street Dancing, Guitar, Drum Kit, Djembe, Drawing, Art and Craft etc.



#### **Capacity Building for Poverty Eradication Program**

As observed, we found that most of families who had their existing capacities. As expected, we believe that we may empower needy families and strength their capacities through vocational training and development skills. We provide poverty reduction support for needy families and assist them to break the cycle of poverty. Depending on the age group, we have various Capacity Building Programs to fit their needs.

#### (1) Head Start

Provide comprehensive early childhood education, health, nutrition and parent involvement service and children education subsidy to needy children and their families.

#### (2) Youth Start Up

Help youth learn self-identity, career development, and actively involve in social cares. Through experience activities and a variety of media courses, we hope to help them develop their outcomes including

perception, self-confidence, coordination, competence, collaboration, and caring.

#### (3) Youth Capacity Building

Help youth in colleges accumulate assets and realize their full economic potential. We organize courses related to self-exploration, career development, financial education and diversity activities and services.



#### (4) Parents Career Development

Help develop parents' interests and potentials. We provide strategies to improve and gain competitive advantage for parents in needy families. We organize courses including self-exploration, career exploration, vocational skills training, financial education and internship program etc..

#### (5) Cultivating Entrepreneurial Skills

Be a viable intervention to improve the conditions of the working poor. We help parents run their business through the individual business plan designed by advisory counsellors. There were 49 parents who participated in programs and 22 of them applied business start-up subsidies in 2015.

#### (6) Social Enterprise Plan

We provide a value shop service platform for parents who are unemployed due to illness or taking care of elders and number of children at home. The current categories of development models include handmade goods product selling, house cleaning service, and retail store operations. Those services are provided in TFCF branches in New Taipei City, Miaoli, Southern Taichung

City, Northern Tainan City, Southern Tainan City, Southern Kaohsiung City, Pingtung, Yilan, Hualien.

#### **Children Supporting Program:**

#### (1) Parentification Program

In needy families, most of the elder children become the "parents" to their younger siblings. These kids are referred to as "parentified children". We have begun to concern and provide assistances to children between 6-15 years old since years ago and there were 3.119 children who benefitted from the program in 2015.

#### (2) Nutrition Program

We help needy children from pre-school to high school including subsidized school meals, provided nutritional supplements, and distributed cash subsidies for preschoolers' milk program. The cumulative total of receivers was 143,975 in 2015.

#### (3) Preschool Development Grant Program

We provide the grant for preschool children and aim to reduce the financial burden for those needy families. The cumulative total of receivers was 2,358 in 2015.











#### (4) After School Tutoring Program

Many of parents often work long hours in low wage jobs to support their families and are unavailable to help with homework. We provide an after-school educational enrichment program for vulnerable children and improved the educational outcomes for children by attending after-school class/care. The cumulative total of receivers was 3,743 in 2015.

#### (5) School Supplies Program

Needy children may benefit from our subsidized school supplies program and



#### (6) Elite Program

Allow needy youth to empower professional development and take them to the next stage of better career growth. We provide the cultivated program including various fee subsidy applications of Professional Certification/ License Registration, Foreign Language Proficiency Test, Civil Service Examination, Higher Education Entrance Examination, Participation in Social Activities, and Studying Abroad, etc.

#### **Good Neighbor Support Services**

#### (1) Suspended Meal

In June, 2013, we launched the program of "Love in Suspended Stores" and invited restaurateurs to join our program by providing free meals to disadvantaged people. There were 239 stores who participated and provided services. The cumulative total of receivers was more than 44,000 in 2015.

#### (2) Food Bank

There are 3 food banks in north, middle and south regions of Taiwan and the cumulative total of applications was more than 1000 people in 2015. Through monthly distribution of relief goods to needy families, we provide the sincerely care and assistances for communities and people in need.

# **Child/Youth Protection Program**

Children and youth are the future of a nation and every child and youth has the right to a safe and secure environments in which to grow, learn, and play. However, many children grow up amid poverty, violence, and illness. According to the Government, an average of 31 child abuse cases were reported per day in Taiwan. Physical abuse is the most common form of child maltreatment, and it caused death, mental harm, emotional disturbance, and learning disabilities. Furthermore, it might cause the cycle of violence which hypothesises that children who have experienced violence at the hands of their parents tend to grow up to become violent parents themselves. The cost of child abuse to society as a whole is enormous. In order to prevent the children/ youth from being abused, TFCF has been providing the Child/Youth Protection Program since 1987 in response to the demand. In 2015, our branch offices provided assistances and consultations to 2,865 abused children/youth. Our Child/Youth Protection Program includes:

#### **Family Intervention Service &** Follow-up Counseling

Child abuse and maltreatment can have a multitude of long-term effects on mental and physical health. Through interventions, TFCF provides follow-up counseling services for abused child/youth and their families and hopes to improve the parenting skills of parents or caregivers in order to enhance family functioning. Our social workers take care of abused child/youth referred by the government through home visits and calls periodically. Depending on their health, living and family conditions, we will ensure that children are placed in caring and supportive environments, help them grow up safely and healthy and effectively prevent them from being abused again. We expect to support families and safeguard children and youth through our services.





#### **Livelihood Support and Medical Care Assistance**

Due to financial difficulties, parents may ignore children's needs. Therefore, we provide assistances including financial and in-kind support, household chores, child day care, and medical care, etc. When caregivers suffered from mental illness or addiction, we will help finding treatment, support groups, and medication information for them to improve the lives of families by utilizing social resources and volunteer manpower.



#### **Psychological Trauma Rehabilitation Service**

We found the effects and adverse consequences of child abuse and neglect for children and adolescents. The complex trauma may affect the developing brain and interfere with a child's capacity to integrate sensory, emotional and cognitive information, which may lead to over-reactive responses to subsequent stress and long-term effects such as cognitive, behavioural, physical and mental health problems. In 2015, we served 1,697 abused child/youth in total and the count of cumulative sessions of individual psychological trauma rehabilitation service was 9,379. We also served 546 parents in total and the count of cumulative sessions of individual counseling service was 2,334, and 271 families accepted psychological trauma rehabilitation service. Through the service, we hope to help them relieve stress and resume the parental roles.







#### **Wraparound Family Support Service**

Normally, home is the best place for children to grow, however, it could also be the place to be abused. We provide the assistance to establish a solid support system and prevent child abused again at home through our family partners who help household chores trainings, cooking demonstrations, parent-child communication, and seeking medical service or employment assistance, etc. In 2015, we coached 583 family partners and provided services for 311 families. The count of cumulative sessions of Family

Support Service was 8,376, and the cumulative hours of service were 14.950. There were 146 cases closed because the situation has improved since then. Surround children with love, happiness, and encouragement and we believe they will have the confidence to reach their own goals in the future.

#### **Parent Education Service**

We've learned from child abused cases and found that parents were unable to take care of children well due to the lack of parental knowledge, skills, and capacities. In 2015, there were 7 TFCF



branches who accepted the commission from local governments to implement mandatory parent education and counseling for parents who abused children and youth. We conducted parent-child activities, seminars and counseling services for 870 families, and organized 79

sessions and the

cumulative total of attendees was 1,100 by the end of 2015.

#### **Consulting and Legal Services**

In 2015, we responded to a total of 3,581 enquiries including phone calls, in person, written mail, email etc., and helped public understand and clarify child/ youth protection issues or questions. Additionally, we also assisted needy child/youth to receive the welfare benefit from Government, and helped refer them to legal consulting agencies directly.

#### **Child/Youth Protection Advocacy**

The most fundamental step in preventing child/ youth abused is child protection advocacy. As an advocate of child protection, we are dedicated to the prevention of child abuse and violence through education and public awareness. We collaborate with our community partners to provide services to children, youth and their families. In 2015, we held 357 campaigns to bring further attention to child protection issues at the national level and the cumulative total of attendees was 70,247 including children, youth, parents, professionals and the public.







## **Foster Care Placement**



Child Welfare uses foster placement as a service to ensure the protection of children and youth who must be removed from the home of their parents or guardians because of the occurrence of abuse and neglect, serious illness or death of a family member, or parent in jail. TFCF has started the Foster Care Program since 1981 and it's been implanted in 23 TFCF branch offices in Taiwan. In 2015, the number of children increasing in foster care was up to 609 and there were 2,080 children and youth receiving Foster Care Program which helped them stay in a home-like place to grow in strength. In average, we served 1,416 foster children per month by the end of 2015.

Foster care service is a temporary placement service and expects to assist children and youth to be healthy before returning home. According to the official statistics this year, there were 643 children and youth ending up in foster care. Most of the children and youth stayed in foster families for about 1~2 years in average. It is the most important objective

to see children and youth return to their biological families while the family functions rebuild.

TFCF promotes its foster family services from January to March every year to recruit new families to provide the services. In 2015, there were only 98 households who were qualified and joined as new foster families and there were 893 households per month who provided the service to help children/youth in average. TFCF provided training courses to them in order to have more complete and professional services. Through the trainings, we help foster families improve and enhance the quality of child care, and bring more appropriate services for foster children and youth continually.













## **Institutional Placement**

TFCF provides the qualified Institutional Placement Service for child and youth who suffer from abuse or neglect, violate the law or need to be protected in Taiwan. We help the children and youth with these high-quality placement counseling services according to different needs of children and juveniles.

Our placement institutions are collectively called as the "Hope Center" and there are 7 Hope Centers which are established to place the children, youth and girls who are mistreated. Our services include "Placement Service for Abused Children and Youth", "Emergent or Long-Term Placement Service for Needy Teenage Girls" and "Placement Service for Juvenile Delinquents Referred by the Court". Through the services, we hope to help them feel more confident in the future.

#### **Placement Service for Abused Children** and Youth

In 2015, we helped place 135 abused children and youths. Based on their characters and needs, the services we provide include accommodations, general counseling, medical care, psychological counseling and therapy, educational and career counseling, family function restoration, recreational activities and parent-child interaction.

#### **Emergent or Long-Term Placement Service for Needy Teenager Girls**

Since being entrusted by our government in July 1996, TFCF has started to provide emergent or long-term placement service for needy teenage girls in Hualien Branch Office. We provided the service to 12 girls in 2015 including accommodation service and security protection, general counseling and education, arrangement of medical services and health education counseling, reconstruction and counseling of family relationships and psychological counseling and treatment.

#### **Placement Service for Juvenile Delinquents Referred by the Court**

Since 1988, TFCF has initially provided placement service for juvenile delinquents referred by Taiwan Nantou District Court. Currently. Since then, we also have provided the service in our branches including Miaoli, Nantou, Yunlin, and Hualien. In 2015, we helped 40 juvenile delinquents and provided services including individual/family consultation, mental trauma counseling, education/career counseling, medical assistance, recreation activity, accommodation and legal service.

# **Early Intervention**

As estimated by the World Health Organization (WHO), indicated prevalence rates of suspected developmental delays (SDD) between 6%~8%. The Early Intervention System provides services for



infants and toddlers with developmental delays or disabilities. In the recent years, it's been aligned with the increased awareness of the Early Intervention System, we found more early identification and referral in Taiwan and there were 17,304 cases which were promulgated for identifying children in need of early intervention services in 2015. Early identification of children with developmental delays is the most important thing, and the early treatment is the best way to help them make progress from birth to 3 years of age.

In order to better assist developmental delay children to receive in time care during critical period, TFCF has started Early Intervention Program since 1996. We integrate with other professional social welfare groups to provide completed services and courses, including medical care, education, day care, home-based early intervention and consultations. We provide services for developmental disabilities or delays children under the age of six in New Taipei City, Taichung City, Changhua, and Yunlin Child







Development Centers, and Ta-Tung Children's Home. In average, the count of cumulative total of Early Intervention Service receiver was 853 per month by the end of this year.

#### The Program is divided into three categories:

- (1) Case Management is implemented in Changhua & Yunlin Child Development Centers and Ta-Tung Children's Home. Based on the child's situation, he/she will receive the medical treatment. In 2015, we served 1,353 children in our Case Management System, and there were 458 as the new added cases.
- (2) Day Care Service is implemented in New Taipei City, Taichung City, Changhua and Yunlin Child Development Centers and Ta-Tung Children's Home. All children will receive individual training courses. In 2015, we provided Day Care Service for 178 developmental delays children per month in average. Additionally, Taichung City and Changhua Child Development Centers also provide Day Care Service for children with disabilities from 6 to 15 years of age. In 2015, they served 5 children per month in average.
- (3) Center-based & Home-based Interventions are implemented after being evaluated by the professional team. They will determine the most suitable way of treatment for the children. In 2015, we served respectively 97 children for Home-based intervention and 159 children for Center-based intervention per month in average.



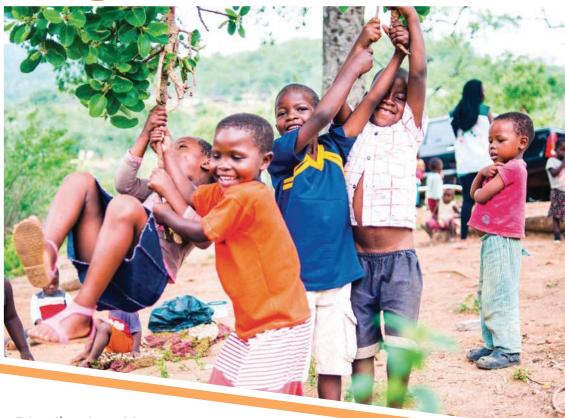
# **Community Service Program**

TFCF keeps providing community services and outreach programs including Mobile Library Services, Children's Literature and Activities, Parent Education Programs, Hygiene and Nutrition Courses, and various outreach activities.

TFCF community service program develops strong linkages among community residents. In 2015, the cumulative total of attendees was 48,843. Our Community Service Program focuses on Family Competence to improve the needy community development through family empowerment. TFCF branches have engaged with Community Colleges and Community Organizations to plan the working model and establish service center to provide related services including child-protective propaganda since 2013. In 2015. TFCF 23 branches held this program and proposed 30 community service plans in total and the cumulative total of attendees was more than 40,000.



# Overseas Programs & Services



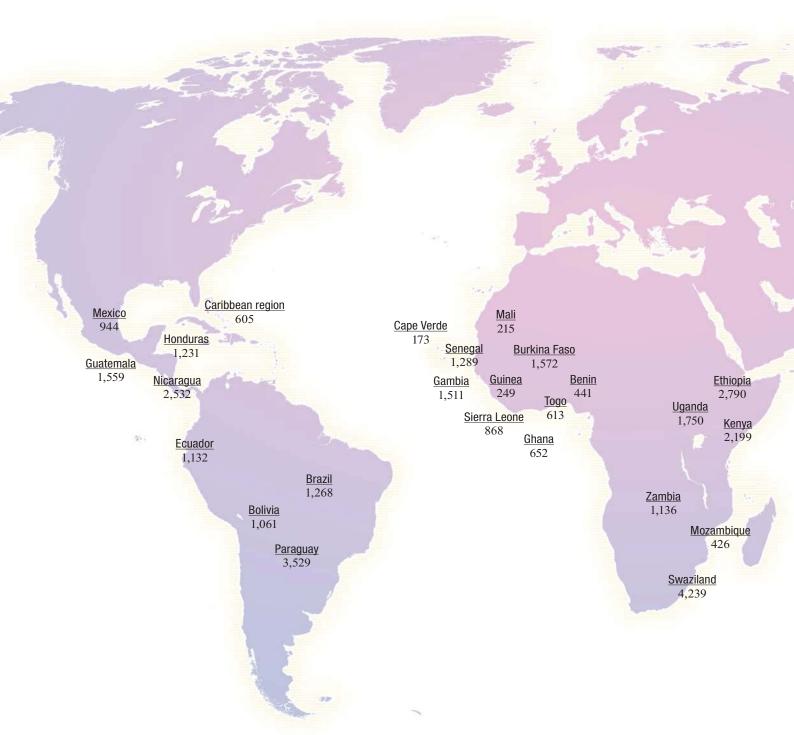
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## Distribution Map of Foreign Sponsorship

In 2015, TFCF sponsored 67,901 needy children in 37 countries including Africa, Asia, and Latin America and provided services of the health, nutrition and education. Furthermore, we've improved drinking water and sanitation, and provided the emergency relief for needy children and families.













	Country	No. of Sponsored
Asia	Mongolia	Children 9,122
	Kyrgyzstan	6,031
	China	490
	Vietnam	4,397
	Cambodia	1,672
	Philippines	3,099
	India	2,672
	Sri Lanka	2,564
	Thailand	303
	Indonesia	2,708
	East Timor	859
Africa	* Swaziland	4,239
	Guinea	249
	Ethiopia	2,790
	Kenya	2,199
	Uganda	1,750
	Gambia	1,511
	Senegal	1,289
	Zambia	1,136
	Sierra Leone	868
	Mozambique	426
	Togo	613
	Benin	441
	* Burkina Faso	1,572
	Cape Verde	173
	Mali	215
	Ghana	652
	* Guatemala	1,559
	Brazil	1,268
	* Honduras	1,231
	Ecuador	1,132
	Mexico	944
America	Bolivia	1,061
	Caribbean region (including St. Vincent / Dominica two countries)	
	* Paraguay	3,529
ň.	* Nicaragua	2,532
Total	67,901	



# Foreign Children Sponsorship Program

According to UNICEF, every 3.6 seconds one person dies of starvation. Usually it is a child under the age of 5. Poverty hits children hardest...

From the financial support through foreign donors in the very early beginning, we are now a self-independent organization whose mission and vision still remain on the consideration of needy children's benefits and deliver love without borders. In July 1987, TFCF launched "Foreign Children Sponsorship Program" regardless of race, religion or gender, and also participated in activities of overseas aid. Furthermore, we established the first overseas branch office, TFCF Mongolia in 2004. Afterwards, we established four more overseas branch offices in Kyrgyzstan (2012), Swaziland

(2013), Vietnam (2014) and Cambodia (2015). We provide the profession of social work, bring Taiwan experience and keep on developing our services in overseas.

While TFCF was organizing a 26-sponsor delegation to Swaziland to participate in TFCF sponsors-sponsored children reunion event, Deputy Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Swaziland Paul Dlamini led an eight-member delegation to Taiwan and visited TFCF Taichung Headquarters at the same time in 2015. Our Ministry of Foreign Affairs praised these visits as the best example of folk diplomacy and consolidated the relationship





between diplomatic allies.

TFCF gradually expands to become an international organization to better lives for more needy children and families overseas. We insist "Where there is a child in need, there is TFCF".

### **Nutrition & Medical Services**

International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI) launched the Global Nutrition Report 2015, and it indicated that 45% of under-five mortality was attributable to undernutrition. Child undernutrition does not only affect children's physical development, but also limit children's cognitive/intellectual developments. Chronic hunger and malnutrition can cause significant health problems including developmental delay, stunted in height, underweight, illness, and death.

### The first NCP Kitchen for needy children in **Swaziland**

Known as the Switzerland of Africa, Swaziland comprises magnificent mountain scenery with unique, ancient rock formations, which are a source of fascination for geologists, scholars and visitors. However, there are nearly 60% of population living in poverty in the real world. 22% of the children under five are underweight and dead while living in extreme poverty. Children under 16 are forced to drop out of school and 40% of them join the labor market. It is difficult for them to have a

chance to change their destiny. In Swaziland, daily eating is the most anticipated thing for children. A thick starchy mash made from cassava flour with water and beans, it could be the only meal per day for Switzerland children.

Taiwan Fund for Children and Families in Swaziland constructed a Neighbourhood Care Point (NCP) and provide food for children in the remote community through the new built kitchen. We have also constructed a E300 000 NCP and water project for the disadvantaged children of Mantambe. It's been the 3rd year we have served people in Swaziland, and we have sponsored 53 communities and more than 4,000 needy



children. Furthermore, we have supported 5 community kitchens to provide the nutrition services for vulnerable children. By the end of 2015, we provided the daily meals for Swaziland needy children and the cumulative total of receiving was about 898,680. We believe that each NCP plays a very important role for society during time of food crisis.







### Seeing the beautiful smiles through medical service for Mongolia children

According to the statistics of Mongolia, approximately 20% of the population was below the extreme poverty line, and the number of congenital disabled children was 23,418, accounting for 0.007 percent of the total population. TFCF Mongolia Branch has supported children among them, and worked with Mongolia children's hospitals to form medical teams to organize free clinics for local children living in four remote districts of Mongolia since 2010 and has served 4,312 children for 6 years.

Due to wealth and income inequality and the lack of medical resources and technologies in Mongolia, three Mongolian children, Ganbayar (7 years old), Otgonzul (5 years old) and Tselmuun (3 years old), came to Taiwan and received the surgical treatment. They all had problems with Symbrachydactyly, such

as a hand or arm deficiency or without a thumb. All of them raised in economically disadvantaged families. Fortunately, they received the long-term care and financial support from TFCF Mongolia Branch. Otgonzul came to Taiwan and received her first surgery in April 2015, and it was her second trip for reconstructive surgery. Ganbayar and Tselmuun are living in the remote pastoral areas and they are unable to undergo surgery in Mongolia

due to the lack of medical resources. They have to travel overseas for medical treatment and undergo surgery by Dr. Ting-Ming Wang at Taiwan National University Hospital (TNUH). We believe that children could change their quality of life once to boost children's health at the early stage. The road ahead will be long and difficult, but we will keep going for children and continue to support more needy children and give them a better healthy life.



### **Universal Education**

Taiwan will begin implementing a 12-year compulsory education policy. In addition to the daily school learning from Monday to Friday, most of students are busy to study at cram schools for tutoring lessons or after-school classes at night in Taiwan. For many children in least developed countries, education remains a distant promise. TFCF provides education assistances including opening nursery schools, launching talent show or recreational activities for needy children and youth, and enhance equality of educational opportunity. We hope to reduce the number of children out of school, and help needy children learn and cultivate healthy personality.

### **Education for** underprivileged children

Cambodia is one of the poorest countries in Southeast Asia. Even Government of Cambodia provides free basic education of 12 years from primary to high school, the number of out of school children is still high. Many parents put pressure on children to drop out of school due to family poverty. Most of children need to work instead of going to school, unfortunately, the Government fails to protect

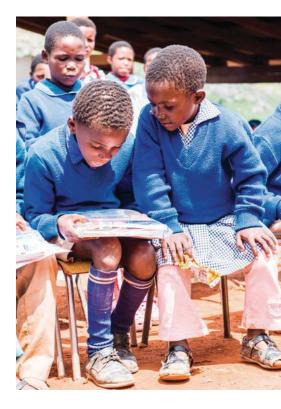
their rights to education. In Vietnam, Government provides a 9-year compulsory education, however, children face the educational problem because of tuition fees and bad learning environment etc.. TFCF Vietnam Branch Office has provided a scholarship program for disadvantaged students during school holiday and supported needy children and youth as educational subsidies.

### Children educational program for local demands

In rural areas, women have less access to education, and as many as 70 percent of adult females are illiterate in Swaziland. Quality education in rural schools is being affected







by shortage of qualified teachers and resources. Even the Government provides 7-year compulsory education, schools have passed a greater share of the regular cost on to students through higher tuition and other fees. Children are refused access to schools because parents cannot pay school fees, and educational conditions in rural areas appear to be worse than those in urban areas.

TFCF Swaziland Branch Office has launched a School Sponsorship Program to help rural areas schools including Mabhahhu, Mahlangatsha, Tsawela, Manyonyaneni, Nokuthula, Beaconkop and



Matseni. We expect to provide more learning opportunities and increase education quality for underprivileged children through schools' facilities. We also provide school supplies fund and meals for underprivileged children and have sponsored 1,435 children in communities and ensured them to access a chance for education. We've also participated in the activities of Child Health Day hosted by the Municipal Council of Mbabane office which aimed to promote health issues and encourage children to become physically active.



### **Educational subsidies** complete childhood without regrets

Similar education situation in Mongolia, we found children who don't go to preschool are usually from more disadvantaged families. TFCF Mongolia supported 5 preschools renovation and ensured children to access to better environment at schools. In 2015, we provided educational subsidies and the cumulative total of applications was 2,820. We've collaborated with schools to promote the reading activities and established 13 Reading Corners for students. Additionally, we've provided more services for needy children and families including after-school tutoring services, parent-teacher conference and parenting program. We hope to overcome educational handicaps and help children gain access to quality and equitable education.



### **Accompany children**

Kyrgyzstan is occasionally referred to as "the Switzerland of Central Asia", however, there are nearly 60% of population living in poverty in the real world. Children under 16 are forced to drop out of school and 40% of them join the labor market. In addition to the financial support from TFCF Kyrgyzstan, we also provide various habit and skill learning classes and guide needy children to build self-confidence and develop a positive attitude. Furthermore, our new photography project will help children learn selfexploration, expression skills and self-strength. In 2015, the cumulative total of class attendee was 2,827. We are going to empower disadvantaged children through our programs to realize their full potential. Through children selfempowerment, we hope they have the opportunity to choose a better life in the future.

### **Livelihoods Improvements**

Two years of erratic rain and drought have combined with one of the most powerful El Nino events in 50 years to wreak havoc on the lives of Africa's most vulnerable children. Over one million children face severe malnutrition, hunger and water shortage in southern and eastern Africa.

It is more worthwhile to teach a man to fish instead of giving a man a fish. TFCF applies this idea and offers various local vocational skill trainings for needy parents including cooking, haircutting, handy crafting and planting etc.. It enables trained parents to grasp the opportunities of professional work and enhance their employability and competitiveness to find jobs and be self-reliant as soon as possible.

### **Happy Farm**

In Swaziland, the unemployment rate is up to 40% and 70% of the resident population is engaged in subsistence agriculture. Most farmers have a small plot of land. When facing with declining profits by struggling with drought, education of children may be sacrificed usually.

TFCF Swaziland has developed a Happy Farm Program in the

rural communities to plant potatoes, carrots, cabbage, sweet potatoes, tomatoes and other crops. We've provided the marketing ideas and expected to support them to improve their financial situation through the sale of crops. By the end of 2015, a total of nine happy farms was created.

### **Social enterprise** development plan

Through the cooperation with TFCF Charity Shop in Taiwan, we encourage needy parents in foreign countries to produce and sell local traditional handicraft products to increase their income. TFCF Branch Offices provides the training courses to improve their skills and product design, such as handmade of Mongolia goods production including traditional clothing deel and boots, leather accessories and goods, felt wool crafts and Kyrgyzstan

handmade goods including key ring, cup coaster and cushion etc.. We will support them to create more products and work toward poverty reduction for more people in overseas.

#### **TFCF Charity Guesthouse**

Kyrgyzstan is a mountain lovers paradise. A skyline dominated by peaks, alpine lakes & spectacular glaciers just waiting to be explored. Planning a trip to Lake Issyk-Kul in Kyrgyzstan, you may help needy families to change their lives. Parents from needy families have been trained as Community Navigators who provide the travel services for tourists including travel consulting, visa application, reservation of accommodations and transportation, etc.. There are 5 rooms available in TFCF Charity Guesthouse, and we served 10 tourists from Taiwan, Malaysia, and Hong Kong in 2015.







# **Neighbourhood and Environmental Improvements**

TFCF collaborates with community organizations, assists the linkage of society resources and builds neighbourhood network. We focus on community revitalization and support community to become community self-determination. self-reliance and achieve poverty eradication and address the care of poor children issues finally.

### **TFCF Mongolia Village**

Through the collaboration with Government, we established a village in a suburb of Ulaanbaatar in 2007 which helped 58 families off the streets and lived in yurts with electricity, modern bathroom facilities, an activity center, and other basic facilities. The village also runs employment skills training for parents temporarily living there. It allows them to become independent. By the end of 2015, 32 out of the 58 families moved out of the village to live successfully on their own.

#### **Water Supply Station**

Access to safe and affordable water is considered to be a basic human right, and water is the most essential element to health. Overall, water scarcity issues continue to persist in the rural areas of Swaziland, and TFCF Swaziland Branch Office has sponsored 53 communities and organizations including community children's center, school, orphanage, refugee camp etc., and provided them with safe water for daily usage. We've built 10 water supply stations that located



in Mahamba, Manyandeni, Buhlebemantulwa, Buseleni, Nyelele, Thulwane, Mafutseni, Phiwayinkhosi, Mtimuka and Hope House. 2,639 children were benefitted by the end of 2015. TFCF Mongolia Branch Office also created 13 water supply stations that provide clean tap water to local residents.

### **Construction of Classrooms for Needy** Children in Nicaragua

Nicaragua is the second poorest country in Latin America after Haiti. Poverty is largely a rural problem in Nicaragua and adult illiteracy rate are also below the average in Latin America. Although children enrollment rate has gradually increased, the poor vulnerable families cannot afford transportation fees. The primary school dropout rate is still high and the biggest

challenge is to help children attend the classes in school.

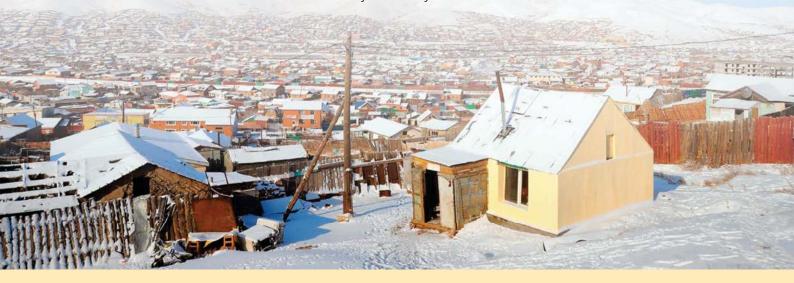
An initiative promoted by Nicaragua's Ministry of Education (MINED), TFCF and the Christian Children's Fund of Canada (CCFC), which propose to build classrooms through TFCF funding. Through this project three classrooms were built for 200 primary students of La Chiriza School in Estelí in Nicaragua. Prior to this, children walked far to attend school, which was dangerous due to congested traffic, no sidewalks and robberies in the areas. "The children ... are now safer and more protected," said Swaleh Karanja, CCFC country director, Nicaragua. Thanks to the new classrooms, the children are closer to school, which means they have a greater chance of walking to class with family. They have more time to prepare for their day and they don't have





to walk far during rainy season.

This is not the first school construction project funded with support from TFCF. Five preschool classrooms are built, and three classrooms are renovated through this partnership with CCFC. Through the collaboration with CCFC and MINED, we were grateful that teachers could be hired to lead the new classes.





## **Emergency Relief**

- April 25, 2015 Nepal earthquake not only caused huge lost hardware facilities and human resources, but also toppled the development and hope of local children. TFCF collaborated with ChildFund Japan and started a period of 18 months of timely assistance including humanitarian aid, infrastructure construction. education, food, health and child protection.
- Dandelion Homeland Project is organized by Shaanxi Gender Development Solution (GDS) and focus on child protect in impoverished rural communities. TFCF has supported them to empower communities, and improved the parenting skills.
- In Democratic Republic of Sao Tome and Principe, 60% of the population is under 25 years old. There are many serious child protection issues in the society including school dropout rates and children for labour exploitation. TFCF has collaborated with Embassy of the Democratic Republic of Sao Tome and Principe and supported NOVO FUTURO to enhance the software and hardware equipment and assist children and youth through their services.

- Heavy rains followed by flooding that struck Quang Ninh Province of Vietnam over the nine days from July 27 have killed 30 people, destroyed 112 houses, and damaged 11 schools seriously. We've supported schools to reconstruct buildings for the protection of the rights of children and juveniles to education.
- The outbreak of the Ebola Virus Disease in Sierra Leone has affected the lives of over 12,000 individuals, families and communities. Nearly 4,000 people in the country died. We've participated in Livelihoods for Ebola-Affected Families project organized by ChildFund International USA. In the wake of Sierra Leone's Ebola crisis, the project will provide 100 female heads of household with much-needed skills to provide for themselves and their families - and thereby contribute to the recovery of their communities.
- The dust storm accompanied by heavy rains always lashed in Bakata Burkina Faso. We've collaborated with our partner and completed three classroom construction project and benefitted 115 boys and 103 girls.



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## Independent Auditor's Report



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#### Independent Auditors' Report

The Board of Directors Taiwan Fund for Children and Families

We have audited the accompanying statement of financial position of Taiwan Fund for Children and Families (the "TFCF") as of December 31, 2015 and 2014, and the related statements of activities and cash flows for the years then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the TFCF management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the Republic of China. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

As addressed under note 3(1) to the accompanying financial statements, the cash balances of foreign bank accounts were not reevaluated with the spot rate of December 31, 2015 and 2014; also, as addressed under notes 2(6) and 3(4), supporting documents were examined only for the acquisition costs of the land and building, while the ending balances of the land and building as of December 31, 2015 and 2014 were stated based on the assessed values and publicly announced values released either for June of year 1994 or for the acquisition year.

In our opinion, except for the effects of possible adjustments as discussed in the third paragraph, if any, that might have been determined to be necessary had the foreign currency evaluation been conducted to bank accounts and also had additional supporting documents pertinent to the ending balances of the land and building been audited, the financial statements referred to in the first paragraph present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Taiwan Fund for Children and Families as of December 31, 2015 and 2014, and the changes in its net assets and its cash flows for the years then ended, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the Republic of China.

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### **Statement of Activities**

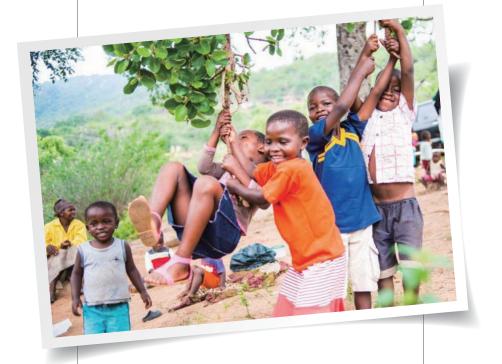
For the year ended December 31, 2015

ITEM	AMOUNT (NT\$)	%	_
REVENUES			Interests 0.
Donations <sup>1</sup>	3,730,177,314	76.16%	Government Grants 0.
Programs <sup>2</sup>	493,422,218	10.07%	Programs 10.07%
Government Grants	572,929,831	11.70%	Donations 76.16%
Interests	71,290,398	1.46%	
Property	2,311,637	0.05%	
Others <sup>3</sup>	27,437,947	0.56%	REVENUES
TOTAL REVENUES	4,897,569,345	100.00%	
EXPENSES			Designated Funds Income Tax 7.72% 0.01%
Child & Youth Welfare	4,519,113,863	92.27%	0.0170
Income Tax	596,916	0.01%	Child &
Designated Funds on Hold <sup>4</sup>	377,858,566	7.72%	Youth Welfare 92.27%
TOTAL EXPENSES	4,897,569,345	100.00%	

#### Notes:

- 1. Donations include life sponsorships, domestic sponsorships, DFC gift, emergency relief fund, scholarships, general donations, support donations and activity donations.
- 2. Programs include programs, activities, early intervention, foreign sponsorships and DFC gift international.
- 3. Others include miscellaneous fees and staff welfare fund.
- 4. Designated funds on hold: There were some projects were still implementing, such as prepaid sponsorship fees, gift money, foster care fees, scholarship, emergency relief fund, government subsides, additional cost of construction and equipment for the new placement institutions. Each item has been explicated with a designated purpose.

**EXPENSES** 



Many of the things we need can wait.

The child cannot.

Right now is the time his bones are being formed,
his blood is being made
and his senses are being developed.

To him we cannot answer "Tomorrow",
his name is "Today".

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