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Sri Lankan/International Project Updates

We have ongoing projects to support education, healthcare, livelihood, water, sanitation, road traffic accident awareness and COVID relief needs across Sri Lanka and in parts of the USA.

Needs Going Forward – Community Development

Parankiyamadu Village, Vallaichennai, Eastern Province

- 155 Families - 122 are fishing families but working as laborers due to lack of fishing equipment.
- Community needs include:
 - 44 Houses at \$1,630/ house.....Total \$71,720
 - 43 toilets at \$271/ toilet.....Total \$11,653
 - 6 boats for 30 families at \$3,260/ boat...Total \$19,560
 - CHRF UK is planning to provide 35 wells
 - **Grand Total.....\$102,933 - \$103,000**



Current Living Condition: Interior of a Parankiyamadu Village Hut used for Housing, Children Eating Outside



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Project Expenses Jan – Sept 2020

Total Program Service Expenses...\$435,367
Sri Lanka Total.....\$431,367
USA COVID Relief.....\$4,000
Sri Lanka COVID Relief.....\$61,111



Equipment donated for Iniya Vazhvu Illam - residence for visually and hearing impaired children were donated on October 2020



Ilanthalir PreSchool Nedunkerni renovation completed November 2020



Savarikulam PreSchool rebuilding is progressing as planned

Construction of Residential Rehabilitation Unit (KUDIL) for the Mental Health Services at Tellipalai.

CONTRACT ID	:Lanka/JF/Kudil/01(2020)
CONTRACT AMOUNT	:Rs.81,000,000.00
SOURCE OF FUND	:International Medical Health Organization-Lanka
DATE OF COMMENCEMET	:2020.07.22
INTENDED DATE OF COMPLELION	:2021.07.21
CONSULTANT	:DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS NORTHERN PROVINCE, JAFFNA.
CONTRACTOR	:M/S Franklin Construction(Private) Limited No. 21, Temple Road, Kalmunai.

Residential Rehabilitation services for mental health services on progress, expected to be completed by July 2021

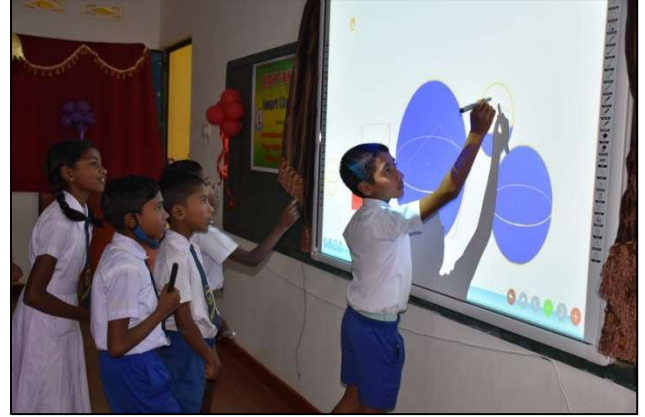


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Three dialysis machines for Northern Province - Apr 2020



Sub fertility clinic at Mullaitivu DGH supported by IMHO -Aug 2020



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Education as a Priority

Traditionally, the Northern and Eastern provinces have had strong academic performances with high rates of university entrance. However, decades of war and erratic and inconsistent schooling have deteriorated the education system in this part of the country. Sadly, now the Northern Province has the highest failure rate in the O/L exams. Even of those who pass, a mere 15% of students enter University from the Northern and Eastern provinces.

Education is the key to lifting families out of poverty and can permanently change a family's fortunes within a generation. Education allows people to access new heights and careers that might not have previously been available to them. It also allows them to improve upon old systems and make traditional livelihoods more efficient, modern and sustainable. Your fishing boat can be destroyed by a storm or a war, but the knowledge that you carry with you from a good education remains with you wherever you go. Education does not rely on ongoing handouts and is a way to empower people to make their own lives and those of their families better. Education builds tolerance and independence. It gives us all the hope of a better future. We hope you will help us get there.

Early Childhood Development Project Progress

- After a comprehensive needs assessment, we plan to establish 10 pre-schools in Nedunkerni, Omanthai and Manthai West Division
- 184 Preschool teachers and 1983 children identified as beneficiaries
- So far, 65 teachers have been trained despite the pandemic slowing down progress
- We are continuing capacity building of teachers and promoting 10 schools in the Maskeliya Division will continue.
- \$40,000 has already been allocated
- **We need another \$60,000 to expand to the East & Upcountry**

English and Computer Training Initiatives

- Activity Based Oral English Program (ABOE) for Grades 1-2
 - Children learn most intuitively when they are young
 - 400 teacher teachers trained
- Fun Bee Reading Program to improve reading for Grades 3 – 5
 - \$31,000 donated by Gnanam Foundation
- 200 Secondary School Teachers trained for Grade 6 to O/L
 - initial allocation = \$20,000
- IMHO will support digitalized English Teaching by OPEnE in Upcountry and Vavuniya North
- Supporting the computer teacher's salary for Karadiyanaru TMV
- Will provide 30 computers to National College of Education/ Jaffna



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Newly Built Female Teacher's Quarters for Koddai Kaddiya Kulam TMV was opened on July 2020



Northern Province pre-school teacher training. -July 2020

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CHILDREN'S HEALING GARDEN

THIS BUILDING WAS RENOVATED USING
FUNDS DONATED BY
INTERNATIONAL MEDICAL HEALTH ORGANISATION (IMHO),
USA AND WAS
IMPLEMENTED BY
ASSIST RESETTLEMENT &
RENAISSANCE (ASSIST RR, SRI LANKA).



Child Center and Inpatient Child Psychiatric Unit Funded by IMHO, Opened June 9, 2020
Will provide inpatient and outpatient psychological support to the needy children of Batticaloa and the Eastern Province.



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