



# ONESKY IMPACT FUND

Serving At-risk Communities



## FUND OVERVIEW

### NAME

OneSky Impact Fund

### FUND OBJECTIVES

This fund aims to scale the training of caregivers to support early childhood development and provide marginalised children aged 0-8 with the nurturing care and safe learning environments they need to thrive.

### COUNTRY OF OPERATIONS

Mongolia, as well as Mainland China, Hong Kong SAR, Vietnam

### LAUNCH DATE

July 2024

### MINIMUM CONTRIBUTION

SGD20,000 / USD15,000

Multi-year contributions welcome

### FUND TARGET AND DURATION

SGD4,000,000 / USD3,000,000

Over 3 years

## THE ISSUE

Families living in low-resourced communities across Asia **often lack access to quality early childhood care and education**. Forced rural to urban migration can place **enormous strains on families with young children** as they try to navigate unfamiliar communities and systems while also dealing with harsh conditions, poverty and inequitable access to essential support services.

## OUR PARTNER

OneSky for all children believes that it is **every child's right to have full access to nurturing care and quality early education**. The organisation's approach is to partner with communities and governments in Asia to provide young children in vulnerable circumstances with responsive care and safe, nurturing learning environments by training, mentoring and supporting the adult caregivers in their lives.

For the last 25 years, OneSky has been working to **meet the early childhood care and education needs of individual children**, ultimately partnering to transform systems of care in Asia so that all children can thrive.

To date, OneSky has **trained 113,458 caregivers to improve the lives of over 377,035 children** across Mongolia, mainland China, Vietnam and Hong Kong.

# WHAT YOUR FUNDING COULD UNLOCK

## USD25,000

Helps OneSky **transition its Family Skills Training to a Training-of-Trainer model** and reach more families in Mongolia

## USD60,000

Allows OneSky to **measure and evaluate the effectiveness of its Mongolia programmes**, ensuring maximum impact

## USD100,000

Supports **the launch of OneSky's new training programme** for independent childcare workers

## USD200,000

Supports OneSky's team of **trainers in Mongolia** who deliver Family Skills and Childcare Worker Training

## TO GIVE:

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## KEY PRIORITIES



- 1 Scale OneSky's training programme for parents and families in Mongolia
- 2 Improve the capacity of independent childcare providers to provide quality care and education across Mongolia
- 3 Bring responsive, family-like care to Mongolia's orphanages

## CHAMPION DONOR

“Charitable giving should transcend mere handouts and serve as a catalyst for innovative solutions, inspiring others to join, and empowering communities towards self-sufficiency. By approaching philanthropy strategically, the ultimate measure of success is when the communities no longer need our support.”

**PIERRE LORINET**

Co-founder of the Lorinet Foundation

Recognizing the dire need for equitable and quality Early Childhood Care and Education (ECCE) in underserved communities, the Lorinet Foundation has maintained a keen interest in OneSky's work in Mongolia. This strategic investment aims to ensure that these young children receive the nurturing care and educational opportunities they need to thrive.

**LORINET FOUNDATION HAS PLEDGED USD200,000 PER YEAR FOR THREE YEARS IN SUPPORT OF THIS FUND.**

## WHY GIVE?

- 1 **Learn alongside experienced givers**  
Join the champion's giving journey and learn about the issue and needs.
- 2 **Fund high-quality social impact organisations**  
Support impactful nonprofits with a proven track record of driving positive change.
- 3 **Join a network of donors**  
Be part of a community of impact-minded donors.
- 4 **Focus on your giving**  
Leverage ACF's grant management capabilities to reduce your administrative burden.
- 5 **Ensure security and accountability**  
Rely on the ACF team to conduct due diligence and manage grant tracking and reporting.



## THE BACKGROUND

The first 1,000 days of a child's life are critical to their development. When caregivers consistently **provide responsive care to children during this period, children form secure attachments and trusting relationships** with the adults in their lives. This supports their healthy physical, cognitive, language, social and emotional development. Lack of access to quality care leads to delays in reaching developmental milestones for years to come, impacting their long-term educational and social outcomes.

In Mongolia, an economy and culture proudly built on herding communities, climate change is causing thousands of families to lose their entire herds and be forced to migrate to cities. Around 50% of Mongolia's population is concentrated in the capital city of Ulaanbaatar. Most of these families live on the **periphery with limited or no access to running water, sanitation or heating**. Their challenges are compounded by **a lack of childcare services and safe places for their youngest children to learn and play**. As a result, children from Mongolia's migrant communities lag behind their peers in early childhood development.

Addressing these shortfalls now will help safeguard Mongolia's social and economic resilience for the future and help coming generations to develop and prosper.



Global studies have shown that, investment in quality early education programmes with skilled caretakers yields a **13% ROI**, higher than any other education investment.

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## ONESKY'S WORK ACROSS ASIA: CHINA, HONG KONG, MONGOLIA, VIETNAM

OneSky's local teams in Mongolia, mainland China, Vietnam and Hong Kong SAR help OneSky determine how to adapt their approach to fit the needs of each geography.

Whether it is the orphanages of China, the industrial zones of Vietnam, the harsh conditions of Mongolia's ger districts or the low-income urban areas of Hong Kong SAR, OneSky has always had the same end goal: transformed systems of care so all young children can thrive.



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### CHINA

**OneSky scaled its programme nationwide, transforming the standard of care in several thousand orphanages across the country.**

Their work began as a pilot programme in two Chinese state-run welfare institutions, ensuring children in orphanages had the care they needed.

Today, OneSky still works in welfare institutions, conducting training on how to place orphaned children into family-based care and providing guidance in caring for children with special needs. The organisation also provides specialized training for caregivers who work with medically fragile children from more than 300 welfare institutions. These children, in need of life-transforming medical care, travel to China Care Homes and are cared for by OneSky-trained caregivers while receiving medical treatment from one of the more than 50 leading hospitals across China.

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### VIETNAM

**OneSky works to improve the outcomes for children of low-income migrant factory workers living in industrial zones.**

In Vietnam, the OneSky Early Learning Centre in Da Nang provides comprehensive early learning programmes for the children of migrant factory workers. It also supports the training of independent childcare providers while acting as a national demonstration site for best practice in early childhood care and education.

A large part of OneSky's work in Vietnam is focused on training independent childcare providers to provide quality responsive care and early education through a direct implementation method, and soon a Training-of-Trainers (cascading) model in partnership with the Ministry of Education and Training.

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### HONG KONG

**OneSky supports children and families living in the Sham Shui Po district, one of the poorest communities in Hong Kong.**

The P. C. Lee OneSky Centre for Early Childhood Development hosts a *Community Living Room* which offers education and play programmes that put children at the centre of their own learning and development. The *Training Hub* provides training programmes, outreach services, child health seminars and more.

**Within the next five years, OneSky plans to expand to at least one additional low-to-middle-income country in Asia.**