



Diamo
speranza
ai bambini
di strada.



Nothing and nobody protects them.

In Kolkata alone they are 250,000. Worldwide, millions. They are the street children. Each of them has a different story, but they all have one thing in common: their roof is the sky.

Fondazione Skychildren ETS works to restore smiles and hope to those children who, having nobody, belong to all of us.

WHO WE ARE

We are a group of women, who know the pleasure of giving back and making happy the most vulnerable children from the most unfortunate regions of the world, especially India.

We represent the urgency to improve the desperate conditions of these children and help them building their future with a very practical and effective approach.



HOW WE WORK

Thanks to our lean and flexible structure, we guarantee the direct destination of donations, from which nothing is retained for management or administrative costs: **100% of donations received goes directly to the children.**

We collaborate with some of the most **accredited international NGOs**, as well as with efficient local organisations, well rooted in the community, to guarantee a reliable and constant impact of our commitment. We are in contact with our operators on a daily basis.

To ensure the success of funded projects, **we personally select, supervise and coordinate** all initiatives. **Twice a year, we travel in person to projects sites** to directly verify the development of all projects and verify the impact of donations through the results of our work.

100% OF DONATIONS TO CHILDREN

Management and administrative costs of the organisation are covered by shareholders and board members. Travel costs are covered directly by those who participate in the field trips.

WHAT WE DO

We lovingly take care of more than **6,000 vulnerable children** living on the streets without shelter, in red light districts, on mountains of open rubbish, along railway tracks.

We promote awareness of children rights, **education** (an essential lever of social change), **health care, protection and hope** to generate immediate, concrete, and lasting changes in the lives of these children.

In this way we trigger transformative changes in their families, communities, and the next generations: **the beneficiaries** of the work of *Fondazione Skychildren ETS* are approximately **132,000 people in total** in one year. Our direct work with children has concrete impact on the families and the entire community.



AREAS OF INTERVENTION

EDUCATION

We open and run **nursery schools and "bridge schools"** to accompany street and slum children into the formal school system and support them in attending public schools later on. We offer them education, books and school materials, a meal and psychological support. In this way they are motivated not to drop out of school and they are also removed from the risk of physical, economic and sexual abuse to which they are continually exposed in the desperate conditions in which they live in. These children are the first educated generation of their families.

PROTECTION

Through a **continuous presence** in at-risk areas (train tracks, dangerous neighborhoods, etc.) and with our safe houses, we give **safety** and assistance to children in distress intercepted on the paths of traffickers, **abused children, abandoned children, victims of child trafficking, child marriage, and child labour**. We protect **children in red-light districts**, so that they are not led into prostitution. We provide a safe haven also to the **'invisible' children of the stations**, who live on the platforms and along the railway tracks, so that they can be protected and placed in schools, as well as children living on the streets and in slums.



HEALTHCARE

We are active with numerous **'travelling clinics'** equipped with **doctors and nurses**, which are set up in the countryside and in unauthorised slums of Kolkata. Through these services, people living below the poverty line and without birth certificates can access basic medical care (examinations, vaccinations, therapies, nutritional support for newborns and mothers-to-be, free treatment and medicines). They are **rescued, educated in prevention**, helped to access government health services and to improve hygienic and sanitary conditions. We offer the children involved in our projects constant **psychological support** to help them process the traumas they have suffered from. We have built a state-of-the-art **testing laboratory** (which performs about 20,000 tests a year) and which provides medical equipment to the charity hospital for street people.

VOCATIONAL TRAINING

We support courses in cutting and sewing (Singer-certified), carpentry, dance, English, nursing, catering to provide the older children, on completion of their schooling, with the tools they need to **pursue a profession** and support themselves economically.

COMMUNITY SUPPORT

We work tirelessly on **children's rights** awareness, providing legal and bureaucratic assistance for obtaining **birth certificates** and digital identity, for opening a bank account and for access to **government assistance programs**.



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OUR MISSION

To improve the desperate living conditions of Kolkata's poorest and most vulnerable street children through education and health care, and to achieve concrete and lasting changes in their lives.

OUR VISION

A world where any child is guaranteed the right to a dignified life, education, growth, development.



HOW TO DONATE



PAYPAL

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our New Year’s resolutions and some of our children’s stories.

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