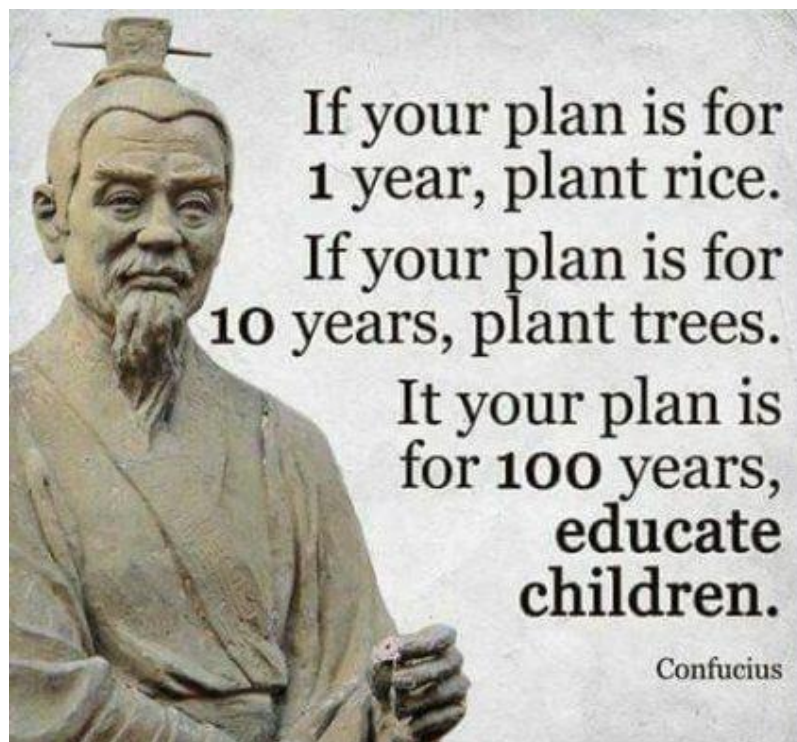


Education Scholarship Support

Information Pack



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ABOUT US.

“Friends of Nepal- Adelaide Inc. (FONAI) is a registered Australian charity.

We began our work supporting disadvantaged children in Nepal in 2013, following a visit to Nepal & seeing first hand how disadvantage of birth is perpetuated by lack of educational opportunities.

In 2014, we developed an Education Scholarship program to provide funding support for post Year 10 education &/or vocational training opportunities for severely disadvantaged Nepali students.

In 2017 we signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with a Nepali Charity, Mission for Modern Social Development in Nepal, (MMSD-N), who share similar values to our group. MMSD-N is a registered Non Government Organisation, (NGO) whose members, primarily young social workers and medical professionals, are passionately committed to achieving social justice in their country.

The chairperson of MMSD-N, Bhim Kumar, is also our current education scholarship manager & committee member of FONAI.

MMSD-N secretary, Pursottam Dahal, a social worker and office bearer of the group, is our FES coordinator. He works closely with our manager & with us, to administer the daily operations of the scholarship program from our shared office in Golfutar, Kathmandu.

FONAI members continue to visit Nepal regularly to monitor our programs & meet with our partners & students.

FONAI also works closely with members of the Rotary Club of Brownhill Creek, The Rotary Club of Blackwood, Friends of Pulteney and the Children’s Future Fund in Germany.

Nepal Contact Details

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Our Committee.

Friends Of Nepal-Adelaide Inc is managed by a committee of seven (7.)

Denise Roscrow - Chair Person & Secretary

Sue Wymond - Treasurer

Lynne Rawson – Fundraising Chairperson

Ainsley Roscrow – Student mentor

Malcolm Lindquist

Jo Bouchier

Bhim Kumar (Chairperson MMSDN)

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Our Goals

To support severely disadvantaged Nepalese undertake education and/or vocational training to better their lives and prospects.

Statement of Ethical Principles

Friends of Nepal-Adelaide Inc is committed to:

- Removing financial barriers for severely disadvantaged Nepalese to access education.
- Prioritising funding allocation so it goes where it is most needed.
- Being aware of the issues affecting students and advocating for their interests.
- Supporting efforts to encourage all students, to aspire to and plan for education beyond high school.
- Respecting the dignity and protecting the privacy of students, and ensuring the confidentiality of student records and personal circumstances.
- The highest level of ethical behaviour & professionalism.
- Respectful collaboration with our key stakeholders.
- Conducting annual reviews of all programs to ensure the best outcomes for students.

Financial.

- FONAI committee manages the daily operations in Australia.
- FES Coordinator & Education Manager manage daily operations in Nepal.
- Audits of our Australian & Nepali accounts are completed as per required regulations in both countries.

Key Stakeholders.

- Mission for Modern Social Development- Nepal
- Rotary Club of Brownhill Creek (Adelaide S.A.)
- Rotary Club of Blackwood (Adelaide S.A.)
- Children's Future Fund – Germany
- Friends of Pulteney Grammar School, Adelaide S.A.

About The Education Scholarship Program.

It is open to Nepali residents who:

- Were born and currently reside in Nepal
- Are aged between 16 and 20 at the time of application – (exceptions will be considered on merit as many Nepali people are late starters to education.)
- Can demonstrate severe disadvantage in their personal and/or family situation or education opportunities
 - Is only available for study in Nepal.

There are 4 types of scholarships available to students.

- Scholarship A: "Full Academic Scholarship" - full funding of both Institution fees & all study & living costs
- Scholarship B: "Kick Start Scholarship" - full funding of living costs
- Scholarship C: "Academic Merit Scholarship" - Full funding of Institution/training course fees.
- Scholarship D 'Enabling Scholarships' – funding for short term preparatory or tutoring

SCHOLARSHIP DESCRIPTIONS

SCHOLARSHIP A: 'FULL ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIP'

This scholarship provides funding for all study & living costs for duration of course.

FES scholarship recipients awarded Scholarship A will receive:

- Full funding of all fees required for the successful completion of their studies (books, stationary, uniforms, field trips etc.)
- Funding for or provision of laptop/l-pad (post secondary FES scholarship recipients only.)
- Full funding of hostel/living accommodation charges
- Monthly living allowance
- Annual clothing allowance
- Annual Festival Allowance
- Annual Medical Expenses Allowance

SCHOLARSHIP B 'KICK START SCHOLARSHIP'

This scholarship is a 'living allowance' scholarship. It is awarded to FES scholarship recipients whose Institution of Study fees are funded by donors who are in partnership with FONAI.

The scholarship is for the duration of the course of study determined by the Institution.

This scholarship is cancelled if the partnering donor ceases support. In this circumstance, FES scholarship recipients will have to apply for Scholarship A.

FES scholarship recipients awarded Scholarship B "Kick Start Scholarship" will receive:

- Full funding of hostel/living accommodation charges
- Monthly living allowance
- Annual clothing allowance
- Annual Festival Allowance
- Annual Medical Expenses Allowance

SCHOLARSHIP C: 'ACADEMIC MERIT SCHOLARSHIP'

This scholarship is a 'Full Course Fees & expenses' scholarship. It is awarded to FES scholarship recipients whose living costs are funded by donors who are in partnership with FONAI.

The scholarship is for the duration of the course of study as determined by the Institution.

This scholarship is cancelled if the partnering donor ceases support. In this circumstance, FES scholarship recipients will have to apply for Scholarship A.

FES scholarship recipients awarded Scholarship C will receive:

- Full funding of all fees required for the successful completion of their studies (books, stationary, uniforms, field trips etc.)
- Funding for or provision of laptop/l-Pad (post secondary FES scholarship recipients only.)

SCHOLARSHIP D: 'ENABLING SCHOLARSHIP'

These are short term scholarships which may be awarded in conjunction with Scholarship A & C. Funding is provided for 'enabling' course (computer skills, English language classes) which the student may require to be successful, or are course prerequisites, before commencing study or during the course of an existing scholarship.

FES Enabling scholarship recipients are required to request funding in writing at least 4 weeks prior to course commencement, outlining reasons for request & types of support required. The scholarship is for the duration of the course of study as determined by the Institution & as approved by FONAI.

Become a Sponsor!

We are desperately seeking support for students requesting education scholarship funding. Without our support, these young people would not be able to continue their studies & would face uncertain futures.

Gaining educational &/or vocational training qualifications enables them to live independently & give back to their country. It breaks the cycle of poverty of their birth.

Student Sponsorships

- Education Scholarships are a minimum of \$500 annually.
- Sponsorships are paid in two instalments.
- All funding is applied to support educational costs and identified care and health needs of scholarship students.
- FONAI retains no more than 5% of each scholarship to cover administration costs, including insurance, money transfer fees and the maintenance of our web site.
- Sponsors receive regular communication from FONAI about the students, their progress & well being.
- Sponsors receive regular newsletters.

Other Donations

- Sponsors who wish to make specific item donations can request information from FONAI.

Volunteering

FONAI has close associations with many schools & charitable organisations in Nepal. If you are interested in volunteering or visiting Nepal to meet our partners &/or students, we are happy to help. Contact us for more information.





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Education Scholarship Frequently Asked Questions.

Why Sponsor Through Friends Of Nepal – Adelaide Inc?

We are all volunteers & have no political or religious affiliation. We exist solely to support further education for severely disadvantaged students in Nepal.

How Do I Know That The Students Are Genuinely Disadvantaged?

Students are recommended to us by our stakeholders in Nepal & undergo an assessment interview with our coordinator in Nepal .

How Do I Apply To Sponsor A Student?

Complete the application form included in this information package & email or mail to FONAI

What happens once I have submitted my application?

On receipt of your application you will receive a Scholarship information package which includes:

- FONAI Information & contact details
- Information about the student & chosen course of study
- Account & payment details
- Current Newsletter

How Do I Pay?

Accounts are emailed on receipt of application & six months after this date.

Payment is in two instalments of \$250 by direct deposit or by cheque. We cannot accept cash.

Payment details are supplied on receipt of your application.

Receipts will be issued on payment via email.

What Do I Receive During My Sponsorship

You will receive regular communication from us informing you of the student's well being & progress & any changes in his/her circumstances. You will receive annual examination progress reports. In addition you will receive newsletters which update you on items of importance & inform you of upcoming fundraising events & social events.

Will I Get To Know My Sponsored Student?

Student sponsorship can be as personal as you wish. Committee members travel regularly to Nepal & you will be informed of this so letters can be carried to & from Nepal successfully. Students are not permitted to contact you directly to request money.

Can I Send Gifts?

There is very little storage room in Hostels & it is often cheaper to purchase needed items in Nepal which will help the local economy. It takes about 2 weeks for mail to reach Nepal.

How Long Does Sponsorship Last?

Typically, student sponsorship lasts until completion of education or the finding of employment.

What Happens If I Can't Continue As A Sponsor?

There are other ways you can help that don't involve the same commitment. If your circumstances change and you do want to stop, you can do so with a simple phone call. We will or arrange to make up any funding shortfall in other ways.

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Why Nepal Needs Our Help!

If Nepal were your home instead of Australia you would.....

die **14.88 years** sooner. The life expectancy at birth in Nepal is 67.19. In Australia it is 82.07.

be **8.1 times more** likely to be unemployed. Nepal unemployment rate 46% Australia 5.70%.

be **9.1 times more** likely to die in infancy. Deaths of infants under one year old in 1,000 live births in Nepal is 40.43 while in Australia it is 4.43.

make **96.51% less** money. The GDP per capita in Nepal is \$1,500 Australia \$43,000

spend **99.42% less** money on health care. Public and private health expenditures Nepal \$35.90 USD Australia \$6,140.00 USD

use **99.07% less** electricity. The per capita Australia is 9,485kWh while in Nepal it is 88kWh

consume **98.68% less** oil. Australia consumes 1.9110 gallons of oil per day per capita Nepal 0.0252

be **3 times more** likely to have HIV/AIDS. The percentage of adults living with HIV/AIDS in Nepal is 0.30% while in Australia it is 0.10%. 4,100 people in Nepal and 100 people in Australia die from AIDS each year

experience **8.25% more** of a class divide. The GINI index measures the degree of inequality in the distribution of family income. In Nepal it is 32.80 while in Australia it is 30.30.

have **72.85% more** babies. The annual number of births per 1,000 people in Nepal is 21.07 while in Australia it is 12.19

(www.ifitweremyhome.com/compare/AU/NP)



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Education Sponsorship Application Form

Please email this form to address below or post to FONAI 23 Centre Way, Belair 5052

Name:

Contact Details:

City: State: Postcode:

E-mail: Phone:

SPONSORSHIP

Annual Sponsorship \$500/annum (payable in 2 6-monthly installments)

Payment Method: (please tick relevant box)

Cheque - made out to Friends of Nepal- Adelaide Inc

EFT Direct Deposit into the FONAI Account
BSB: 015-210 Account Number: 3004-64253
Reference with 'FONAI' & your Name

Office Use Only:

Date Received: / /

Sponsorship Amount: \$

Payment Method:

Sponsorship Start Date: / /

Date Welcome Letter Sent / /

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