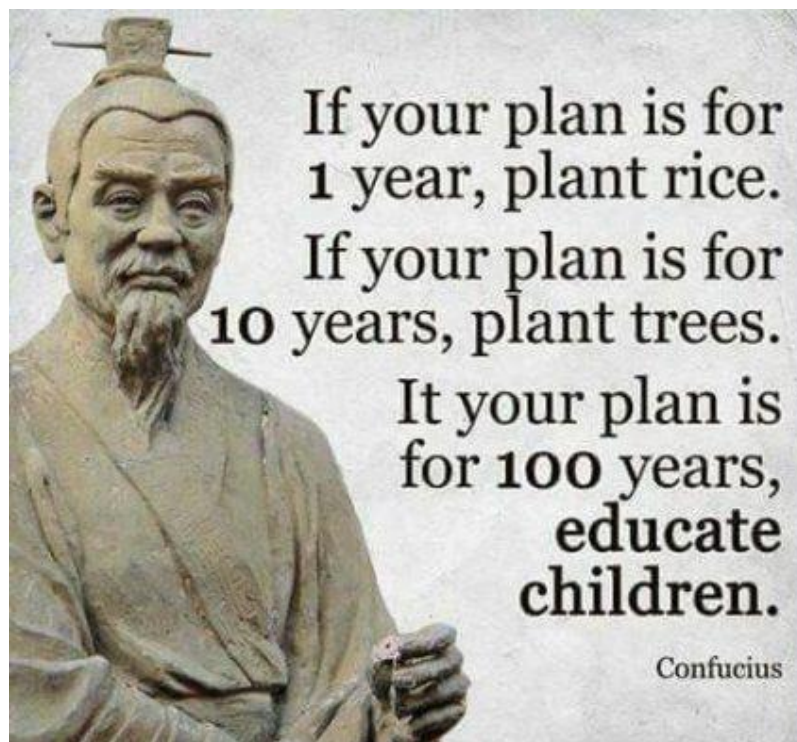


Education Scholarship Information Pack





Friends of Nepal - Adelaide Inc.

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ABOUT US.

“Friends of Nepal- Adelaide Inc. (FONAI) is a registered Australian charity. We began our scholarship program in 2013, following a visit to Nepal and seeing first hand how disadvantage of birth is perpetuated by lack of educational opportunities.

We developed an educational scholarship program (FESSHIP) to address this need and prioritised funding to support older children aged 16 and above who are unable to continue education past Year 10 due to socio/economic disadvantage.



Education in Nepal - Background to FONAI's work.

Formal school education in Nepal officially spans a period of 12 years, at the successful completion of which a student graduates with a certificate of Higher Secondary Education.

Official government policy is for free education to year 12, but the reality is that Year 10 remains the highest level of education for most Nepalese people.

Students who wish to continue higher education, years 11 and 12, must attend private schools which are relatively expensive and out of reach of most of the students in the program.

FONAI's decision to focus funding support for these young people to achieve higher levels of education requires a long term commitment from our group and our donors.

FESSHIP graduates also often require short term help as they enter unpaid internships to complete course requirements and leave hostels for independent living.

It requires us to limit the number of scholarships we can sustain as students may require support for up to 5 years.

Without our support, these young people would not be able to continue their studies and would face uncertain futures.

A FONAI education scholarship is a life changing opportunity for these young people.

Our Mission

FONAI views higher education as a catalyst, an agent of change for individuals, families and communities.

Our mission is to provide access to senior and post secondary education to marginalised, socially and economically disadvantaged Nepali youth who otherwise would not have the financial means to fulfil their educational goals.

To succeed in our mission we:

- Promote and provide financial support for senior and post secondary education via an education scholarship program
- Assure that students have all the information and support necessary to make sound educational and financial decisions about their futures
- Lead a collaborative network of educational partners aligned to support student selection, preparation, transition and persistence to course completion.

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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, particularly girls.
- 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 and professionalism.
- Respectful collaboration with our key stakeholders.
- Conducting annual reviews of all programs to ensure the best outcomes for students.

Partnerships

- FONAI is partnered with registered NGO 'Canopy Nepal' to manage the program in Nepal.
- FONAI is partnered with the Rotary Clubs of Mitcham and Dilibazaar and the Child Development Society (CDS) in Nepal to facilitate funding for Rotary World Australia Community Service project Self Employment Education Program (SEEP) for illiterate women in remote villages in Nepal.
- Partnerships are reviewed as required, dependent on duration.

Key Stakeholders

- Canopy Nepal
- Rotary Club of Mitcham (Adelaide S.A.)
- Rotary Club of Blackwood (Adelaide S.A.)
- Rotary Club of Lindisfarne (Hobart, Tasmania)
- Child Development Society (Nepal)
- Rotary Club of Dilibazaar (Nepal)

Management

- FONAI committee manages the daily operations in Australia.
- FESSHIP Scholarship Manager manages daily operations in Nepal.
- Monthly financial and program reports are submitted by FESSHIP manager.
- Annual financial audits and reports are completed as per required regulations in both countries.



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Committee

Friends Of Nepal-Adelaide Inc is managed by an annually elected committee of seven.

Lynne Rawson –Chairperson
Sue Wymond - Treasurer
Denise Roscrow - Secretary
Helen Charles
Malcolm Lindquist
Jo Bouchier
Bernie Jarvis – Child Protection Officer

Nepal Contact Details

Program Manager | [FESSHIP](#) | [Canopy Nepal](#)
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MONITORING FESSHIP PROGRAM

FONAI members visit Nepal as regularly as possible to monitor programs.

Monthly video calls are held with manager and FONAI to exchange program information and resolve issues in culturally acceptable ways.

Monthly video calls are held between FONAI office bearers and FESSHIP manager to exchange program financial information and clarify any issues which impact successful implementation of the program.

Volunteering

FONAI has close associations with many schools and charitable organisations in Nepal. FONAI members will assist any sponsors who wish to visit FESSHIP, Canopy Nepal or other programs known to them and/or with suitable accommodation, on request.

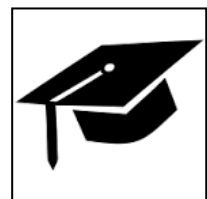
FONAI requires that all adults who visit FESSHIP and other FESSHIP recommended programs have a current police clearance and sign a code of conduct prior to visiting programs.

Contact us for more information.

Eligibility Criteria for the Education Scholarship Program. (FESSHIP)

Applications are invited from Nepali residents who:

- Were born and currently reside in Nepal
- Are aged between 16 and 20 at the time of application –
- Can demonstrate significant disadvantage in their personal and/or family situation or education opportunities
- Are not receiving funding from any other donor source.
- Commit to complete the specified program supported by the educational scholarship in Nepal.



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FESSHIP Program

- The number of scholarships is subject to available funding
- Funding is capped at \$2,000 per scholarship.
- Funding can be applied to course fees and/or living costs.
- FESSHIP management supports deserving students who do not have a place to live cannot live by securing them suitable accommodation.
- Funding can only be applied to study in Nepal.

Priority for scholarships is to:

- Support girls to complete higher education
- Support students from marginalised communities
- Support access to digital learning

A Holistic Approach

FONAI funds wellness workshops conducted by our management team to support students to successful completion of their studies and to transit to independent living.

Workshops covered include, but are not limited to:

- Financial literacy
- Sexual health
- Emotional Resilience
- Career counselling
- Social media – safe usage

Education Scholarship Details

- Education Scholarships are a minimum of \$500 annually.
 - Sponsorships can be paid in full or in two instalments.
 - Accounts issued annually or bi-annually
 - Receipts available by request
- Monthly direct deposit donations (amount determined by sponsor)
- 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 program.

Other Funding Opportunities.

FONAI welcomes partnership support from corporations, individuals, and/or service clubs who prefer short term funding for:

- One-off donations for specific or general items
- Vocational/ study support programs

Our management team counsels and advises students who wish to pursue short term courses in fields like hospitality, tourism, languages etc., and enters into partnership agreements with approved providers of such training.

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Donations are by direct deposit
or
cheque made out to Friends of Nepal Adelaide Inc .
Postal address 15 Davenport Tce., Hilton 5033

Account Name: Friends of Nepal-Adelaide Inc
BSB: 015-210 Account Number: 300464253

Please reference all deposits with 'FONAI' and your Name

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 fund further education for marginalised students in Nepal.

How Do I Know That The Students Are Genuinely Disadvantaged?

Students are recommended to us by our stakeholders in Nepal and undergo a stringent application process.

How Do I Apply To Sponsor A Student?

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

How Long Does Sponsorship Last?

Typically, student sponsorship lasts until completion of study and/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 you can cancel your sponsorship with a simple phone call. We will arrange to make up any funding shortfall in other ways.





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Become a Sponsor!

Education Sponsorship Application Form

Please email this form to address below or mail to FONAI 15 Davenport Tce., Hilton 5033

Name:

Contact Details:

City: State: Postcode:

E-mail: Phone:

SPONSORSHIP

Payment Options -Please circle preferred option

- Annual Payment \$500
- 6-month Installment option - \$250 twice annually
- Monthly direct deposit of \$ (please identify amount)
- One off or specific item donation/vocational scholarship

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 of offer / /

