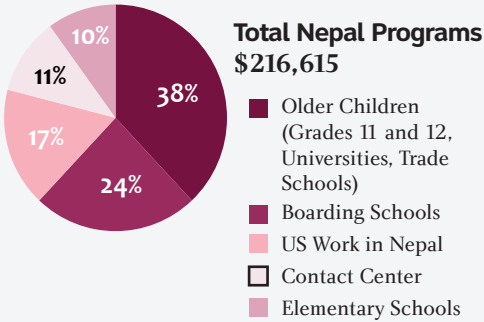
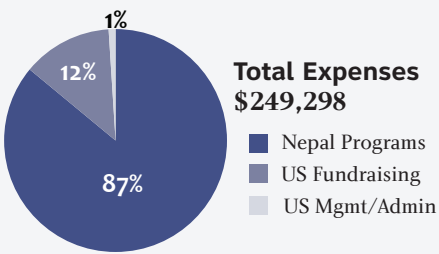
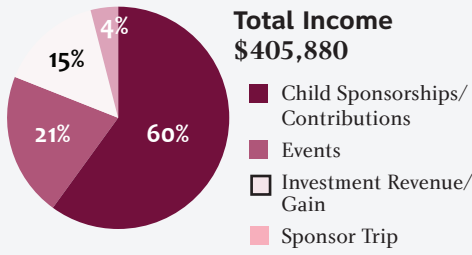


2017 Financials at-a-Glance



Independent Accountant's Compilation Report

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2017

SUPPORT AND REVENUE		TOTALS
Child sponsorships and general contributions		244,313
Sponsor/volunteer trip revenue		16,285
Special events		84,807
Investment revenue		19,995
Gain on sale of investments		184
Unrealized gain (loss) on investments		40,296
TOTAL SUPPORT AND REVENUE		\$405,880
EXPENSES		
Program		216,615
Management and general		2,377
Fundraising		30,306
TOTAL EXPENSES		\$249,298
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS		\$ 156,582
NET ASSETS - BEGINNING OF YEAR		\$393,801
NET ASSETS - END OF YEAR		\$550,383

Prepared by Cindy Fulton, Certified Public Accountant

Demographics

32 CHILDREN
EDUCATION + HOUSING

23 CHILDREN
EDUCATION ONLY TO GRADE 10

18 CHILDREN
GRADES 11 AND 12

30 CHILDREN
CONTACT CENTER

14 CHILDREN
UNIVERSITIES AND
TRADE SCHOOLS

Goals through 2018

- Welcome sponsors for up to five new Contact Center graduates
- Provide university and trade school scholarships for 14 children
- Develop and fund an afterschool program at the Contact Center to include tutoring and protein-rich snacks
- Identify board succession planning for executive committee positions
- Identify chair for board fundraising committee
- Develop new child sponsorship brochure
- Increase presence on Facebook, LinkedIn and Instagram
- Obtain highest charity rating on GuideStar and BBB
- Welcome 20 child sponsors visiting Nepal
- Develop 80 child bio pages on Mitrata website, accessible by sponsors
- Implement a planned giving program



Mitrata - Nepal Foundation for Children, Inc.



Making a
Difference
One Child
at a Time



"A hundred years from now it will not matter what my bank account was, the sort of house I lived in, or the kind of car I drove...but the world may be different because I was important in the life of a child."

-Forest E. Witcraft

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Letter from Christine



In 2017 we made much progress! We supported 87 children for education, housing and medical care, and provided an educational foundation for 30 children in the Contact Center, our early childhood program.

Our three major fundraisers have continued to expand in scope and participation. Trivia Night and the Holiday Bazaar in Saint Louis were well attended, and the 2017 Climb for Himalaya Children, to the summit of Mount Rainier, was full.



We took big steps renovating our website and expanding our presence on social media, including the addition of a blog. Another exciting development was working with filmmakers Amy Benson and Scott Squire to produce professional videos describing our mission and work in

Nepal; the videos will be available in 2018.

Our partner organization Bhuaneshwori Satyal Foundation has grown so much! Staff are working together as a team, developing policies and procedures, and providing in-depth services to older children, such as workshops, counseling, internships and new vocational resource opportunities.

Best of all, after working for fifteen years in Nepal, we graduated five older children from our program! Just like parents with misty eyes watching their children graduate from college, we are proud of our graduates! With so many obstacles to their achievement—political instability, earthquakes, chronic poverty, and lack of family support and resources—our children have persevered to finish their education. We know that these graduations would not be possible without you and your generous support. Thank you for helping us to achieve our vision of education and independence for underprivileged children in Nepal. And stay tuned for more graduations in the coming years!

With gratitude,
Dr. Christine Schutz

Mitrata's Mission

Mitrata-Nepal Foundation for Children (MNFC) is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization in the United States, dedicated to helping underprivileged children in Nepal. We provide educational opportunities, housing, and medical care for children, assisting them in becoming healthy, educated, economically independent citizens of Nepal. We work with our partner non-governmental organization Bhuaneshwori Satyal Foundation (BSF) to empower each child individually, in cooperation with their families or guardians and educational institutions. Each child matters to us, and we provide direct links from our sponsors to the children so there can be a personal connection halfway around the world.



Goals Met in 2017

- ✓ Secure full sponsorship for our Contact Center graduates
- ✓ Ensure that every child has at least one partial sponsor
- ✓ Build our scholarship fund by 20% to create university and trade school scholarships for our increasing numbers of older children
- ✓ Fully fund our two medical school students
- ✓ Empower six tenth-graders to pass the Secondary Education Exam (SEE) and continue with their education
- ✓ Redesign the Mitrata website, www.mitrata.org, to be more responsive to different platforms
- ✓ Welcome seven child sponsors visiting Nepal—host field trips, pizza and momo parties, and special dinners; travel to Pokhara, the Australian Camp in the Annapurna range

Partnership

We have found a truly wonderful USA partner who is helping us to achieve our goals. The Karma Thalo Foundation in Saint Louis, Missouri, provides a medical clinic every year for our children in need of healthcare services.

They also support our Contact Center children by providing an extra nutritious morning meal. As a result, our children's BMI levels have significantly increased to levels that help our children learn and concentrate in school.

Helping the Darnal Family

Amy Benson and Scott Squire created "Drawing the Tiger," a documentary film which poignantly tells the story of one poor family in rural Nepal and their struggles to obtain education for their children and emerge from the cycle of poverty. Amy and Scott support our mission and had been looking for a respected organization to help the family. We are now supporting five of the children, three in vocational training programs and two younger children attending a private school.

Challenges 2017

Many of our children are now entering higher education. Several years ago we financially anticipated this wonderful outcome of our hard work by starting a scholarship fund to help pay the increasing costs of university and trade school education and hostels for our older children. We will need to continue this fundraising as children successfully move through our programs.



In Nepal, our partner NGO staff face challenges of caring for older children's needs, which involve added healthcare, counseling, empowerment, life skills coaching and guidance in becoming an independent Nepali citizen. The goal of both of our organizations is to help our children meet their dreams and reach their potential, while being realistically grounded and focused on education that will help them out of poverty. We have added vocational training, workshops, volunteer opportunities and part-time jobs to our children's educational plans.

Last year we added an extra meal and nutrition for our Contact Center children, and this year we are adding an afterschool tutoring program for our children who live at home and are sponsored for school costs.

Another challenge is the need to replenish and expand our donor base substantially so that we can continue to accept new children into our programs; we have around five new children each year.

With your help, we are able to meet these challenges. Dhanyabad!

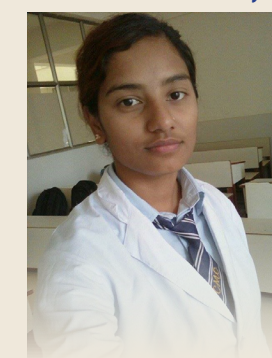
Five Children Graduate



Our first graduation ceremony took place at the BSF office in Sutedhara, Kathmandu, with all of the children in our organization attending. The five graduates—Anita, Rukesh, Pawan, Sangeeta, and Pratima—had overcome enormous hardships to successfully complete degrees in nursing, hotel management and science. They all are now working and supporting themselves.

Photo books and certificates were presented to memorialize the graduates' achievements, while the staff and proud sponsors looked on. The graduates' acceptance speeches were filled with gratitude for the support provided through our organization, and with love and encouragement for the other students, whom the graduates recognize as their brothers and sisters. Our graduates are also helping our organization by working with Contact Center children, mentoring younger children or volunteering to help BSF staff.

Scholarship Fund Update



We are very happy to report that scholarship funding for two of our deserving medical school students, Susmita and Sudan, has been fully attained. This has been a major achievement, as medicine is the most expensive field of study in Nepal. Sudan is now in his fourth of six years,

and Susmita is in her third of six years, at Chitwan Medical College in Bharatpur, Nepal. We so appreciate the many sponsors who have made this possible.

Welcome New Board Members!

Matt Plank runs an independent web development agency, Sophik-Catapult Websites, focused on bringing best practices and high-end user experiences to small businesses and not-for-profits. Matt serves on the Sponsorship Committee. Urmila Panthi, a social worker with the Missouri Department of Mental Health, assists with board development and serves on the Fundraising Committee. Cindy Whitney travels to Nepal each year with the Karma Thalo Foundation medical clinic. She works in human resources for the School District of Clayton and serves on the Fundraising Committee. Juliette Schmidt, who works in digital marketing for Drury Hotels Company, LLC, serves on the Fundraising Committee and helps with expansion of our social media presence.

New BSF Staff

Rachana Rajbhandari began working as the program coordinator for the Contact Center and is directly responsible for the Contact Center staff, children and program. She has taken the



position formerly held by beloved Sushma Magar who left to pursue a higher degree. Rachana brings much to the position, with a degree in social work, specialized training in Montessori methods and years of experience teaching in the elementary grades. The children are already bonded with her, and she is enhancing the curriculum and coaching the other teachers in new methods.