Dear Friends,

We remain grateful to you, and scores of other supporters, including the U.S. Congress, the U.S. Department of State, USAID and many private organizations and individuals, whose generosity and compassion have enabled us to provide vital humanitarian assistance and make a difference in the Tibetan community for more than 37 years. Under the patronage of His Holiness the Dalai Lama, we continue to serve as the most trusted non-profit humanitarian organization working to preserve Tibet’s rich cultural heritage and strengthen the Tibetan community.

In 2017, we administered six U.S. federal grants in partnership with the Central Tibetan Administration for education, health, livelihoods improvement, institution strengthening, and culture preservation for Tibetans in India and Nepal amounting to $8,363,694. Of this, 94.6% went towards program activities and 5.4% toward program management, monitoring, and administrative costs.

The same year, we made grants totaling $1,216,079 to support 57 projects in India, Nepal, and Tibet from privately raised funds. These grants made a significant impact by empowering Tibetan civil society and community-based organizations, empowering Tibetan youth to preserve their rich cultural traditions and Buddhist heritage, and providing urgently needed humanitarian relief to newly arrived refugees from Tibet. Private funding also made important contributions in the education sector by awarding scholarships to 152 students pursuing professional courses and higher studies in India, and sponsoring 660 economically disadvantaged Tibetans at over 80 institutions including schools, monasteries, nunneries, and elder homes. In the health sector, we supported supplementary nutritional programs for students in India and Nepal, dental and eye camps, and renovation of clinics in Tibetan settlements.

I am thankful to our Board of Directors who have selflessly and successfully guided the work of The Tibet Fund through the years. In particular, I wish to thank Rinchen Dharlo for his excellent leadership as The Tibet Fund’s President for the past three decades.

With best wishes

Lobsang Nyandak
President, The Tibet Fund
October 1, 2018
News and Highlights Of 2017

The year 2017 was another busy year for The Tibet Fund, highlighted by special events aimed at preserving and promoting Tibetan cultural identity, and fundraising activities to support the most urgent needs of the Tibetan community in exile.

8th Annual Tibet Fund Gala

Co-chaired by Richard Gere, Sam & Carol Nappi, and Diane Brandenburg, the annual Gala was held at Le Bernardin Privé on October 18, 2017, and attended by over 160 guests. The Annual Gala is the main fundraising event of The Tibet Fund and always brings together many friends and supporters of the Tibetan people. The success of the Gala was a team effort that would not have been possible without Chef Eric Ripert and the other amazing chefs, our extraordinary honorees, generous event and auction donors, board members and volunteers. On this special occasion, The Tibet Fund honored Barry Hershey, a Filmmaker and Philanthropist; Nita Ing, a Business Woman and Philanthropist, and Rinchen Dharlo, former President of The Tibet Fund. Tickets sales raised $306,441, including $70,118 in contributions from friends and supporters who could not attend the Gala. We received donations for around 80 works of art and other items for a silent auction, of which 64 items were sold at the Gala and online through Charitybuzz, generating revenue of $60,690. An additional $55,500 was raised during the live auction. We have raised a total of $422,631 at the Gala.

His Holiness the Dalai Lama’s 82nd Birthday

Gaia Holistic, The Tibet Fund and Orphans International jointly organized a celebration of His Holiness the Dalai Lama’s 82nd Birthday at JW Marriott Hotel on July 6, 2017. Over 150 guests joined in the celebration. President Lobsang Nyandak and Dr. Kazuko Tatsumura made welcome remarks and thanked the guests for attending this special event. Former members of the Tibetan Institute of Performing Arts entertained guests with traditional songs and performances. The evening concluded with the International Flag Ceremony for World Peace.

Tibetan New Year - Losar

The Tibet Fund invited a diverse community of supporters to celebrate Losar, a rich cultural tradition of the Tibetan people, on Tuesday, February 21, 2017. The celebration was held at Baruch College, bringing together over 130 friends and supporters. Through immersion in traditional Losar festivities and rites, guests gained a deeper understanding of our customs and meaningfully partook in preserving Tibet’s cultural heritage. This year’s entertainment included former artists of the Tibetan Institute of Performing Arts who performed traditional Tibetan songs.

Reading Competition and Summer Camps

The Tibet Fund in coordination with the Office of Tibet hosted the 2017 Tibetan Story Reading Competition for young Tibetan children aged 8 to 16 residing in North America. TTF also made small grants totaling $32,000 to organize summer camps for Tibetan children in sixteen Tibetan associations based in various cities in North America.

Farewell to Mr. Rinchen Dharlo

President Rinchen Dharlo, who joined the Tibet Fund in 1987, was given warm farewell by the Board of Directors and the staff in a series of occasions. Mr. Dharlo formally retired in June 2018 after having served for over 30 years as the President of the Tibet Fund. During his presidency, The Tibet Fund grew from a single part-time staff to one of the primary funding organizations for programs and initiatives that give enormous support in so many ways which made a lasting impact in all areas of Tibetan lives in India, Nepal, Bhutan, and Tibet. The Board of Directors invited Mr. Dharlo to join as a member of The Tibet Fund’s Board of Directors in recognition of his outstanding leadership and wealth of institutional memory.

Summer Tibetan Study Program and Retreats for Youth and Family

20 Tibetans born or brought up in the West attended a five-week-long intensive Tibetan study program during their summer vacation. Participants gained an in-depth understanding of their cultural heritage, traditions, and current Tibetan issues. Two separate retreats for youth and family members were organized in June and August for 18 participants. These events were organized in collaboration with the Dongak Kunphening Dharma Center.

North American Tibetan Associations Conference

President Lobsang Nyandak was invited to speak at the 16th North American Tibetan Associations Conference, held in New York on September 9, 2017. A 10-page overview of TTF’s work and achievements highlighting our priority programmatic areas was distributed to all 62 participants, representing 27 Tibetan associations. The conference passed a resolution expressing its appreciation to The Tibet Fund for our role in the preservation and promotion of Tibetan language, culture, and Buddhism in the Tibetan community in North America. Additionally, two Tibetan parliamentarians from North America expressed their appreciation to The Tibet Fund for our initiative and support.

Shoton Festival

On July 8, 2017, The Tibet Fund hosted a Shoton (Yogurt) Festival in partnership with the Tibetan Community of New York and New Jersey. The festival celebrated Tibetan and Himalayan culture with New York City residents, and created opportunities for our community to pass on our rich traditions to younger generations. The free public event was held at Inwood Hill Park and was attended by about 2,000 people. Entertainment included traditional Tibetan, Nepalese, Bhutanese and Indian dance and music.
In our efforts to advance educational opportunities for the Tibetan exile community, we work in partnership with the CTA Department of Education, Tibetan Children Village, Tibetan Homes Foundation, and Snow Lion Foundation to deliver quality education in Tibetans schools in India and Nepal, and to empower Tibetan youth pursuing higher education and professional degrees.

**Educat ing Tibetans and Empowering Professionals**

**Tibet Education Project**

Tibet Education Project (TEP), the first USAID grant awarded to TTF, was successfully completed in September, 2017. Two important new initiatives introduced under the five-year project, the Teacher Professional Development (TPD) and Tibetan Early Grade Reading (TEGR) programs, were subsequently adopted by the CTA Department of Education across the Tibetan school system. TPD combines teacher professional growth planning with peer learning and collaboration through group lesson planning, classroom observation, and book discussion groups. Over the life of the TEP, 1,152 educators at 75 Tibetan schools received training, mentoring, and school-based professional development, benefitting a total of 21,090 students in India and Nepal.

TEGR supports production of high quality Tibetan language children’s books, reading corners in primary school classrooms, teacher and school librarian training, and EGR workshops for parents. 10,680 primary school children at 63 schools benefitted from classroom reading corners stocked with high quality children’s books, teacher and librarian training, and parent workshops. Both programs are continuing under the USAID-supported Tibetan Self Reliance and Resilience Program.

**“The EGR training was a fantastic experience….. I could see drastic improvements in children, especially in silent reading. …Their interest to read and write have improved. They have become more expressive when they talk and write letters to teachers.”**

Kunsang Lhamo, Sambhota Tibetan School, Bir

**“We always believed that library should be a silent place and, librarian’s job is to check-in and check-out books. However after receiving the training my perspective towards my job changed completely…. I now engage my students in storytelling, book talks, roleplay and various other activities”**

Karma Dolkar, Tibetan Children’s Village School, Bylakuppe

**Tibetan Self Reliance and Resilience Program**

A new five-year USAID-funded program, the Tibetan Self Reliance and Resilience Program (TSRR), began benefitting thousands of students and educators in India and Nepal. In addition to continuing support for TPD and TEGR, 50 students received pre-service training to become teachers at Tibetan schools. Training courses were organized by the CTA Department of Education at the Central University for Tibetan Studies in Sarnath and Sherab Gatseling Transit School near Dharamsala. After trainees complete their training they will teach at schools recently handed over to the CTA by the Government of India. TSRR also supported ongoing Department of Education initiatives to improve the quality of science education at Tibetan schools including supplementary science lessons, science exhibitions, and science research internships. To enable high school graduates to gain admission to competitive medical and engineering schools, ten students received support to attend year-long test preparation courses at reputed coaching centers.
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exile Tibetan community, and contribute towards sustaining capabilities and strengthen human resources in all areas of the education at some of the best universities in the U.S. including the TSP, Tibetan students receive scholarships to pursue higher in collaboration with the CTA Department of Education. Under the Department of State-funded Tibetan Scholarship Program (TSP) for three decades The Tibet Fund has administered the U.S. Tibetan Scholarship Program newly arrived students in August. re-entry workshop in June, and an orientation workshop for mid-session workshop in Washington, D.C., in January, a two-day of State's Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs: a two-day in institutions including the Central Tibetan Administration. In 2017, 18 TSP students from India and Nepal pursued their master's degrees in the U.S. and attended three orientation workshops, organized in partnership with the U.S. Department of State's Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs: a two-day mid-session workshop in Washington, D.C., in January, a two-day re-entry workshop in June, and an orientation workshop for newly arrived students in August.

Tibetan Scholarship Program
For three decades The Tibet Fund has administered the U.S. Department of State-funded Tibetan Scholarship Program (TSP) in collaboration with the CTA Department of Education. Under the TSP, Tibetan students receive scholarships to pursue higher education at some of the best universities in the U.S. including Harvard, Columbia, and Emory University. Created by the U.S. Congress in 1988, the program has helped to build professional capabilities and strengthen human resources in all areas of the exile Tibetan community, and contribute towards sustaining Tibetan culture and national identity. Since its inception the program has enabled 452 Tibetan students to receive higher education in academic programs including journalism, law, chemical engineering, sociology, computer science, and documentary filmmaking. Majority of TSP alumni have returned to India and Nepal to take up leadership positions in various institutions including the Central Tibetan Administration. In 2017, 18 TSP students from India and Nepal pursued their master’s degrees in the U.S. and attended three orientation workshops, organized in partnership with the U.S. Department of State’s Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs: a two-day mid-session workshop in Washington, D.C., in January, a two-day re-entry workshop in June, and an orientation workshop for newly arrived students in August.

Basic Education Access for Vulnerable Refugees
With funding from the U.S. State Department Bureau of Population, Refugees, and Migration (PRM), The Tibet Fund and the Central Tibetan Administration provided access to modern and traditional education for 5,205 vulnerable students, monks, and nuns who were born in Tibet and fled to India within the last two decades. 3,271 monks and nuns received support to continue their traditional studies at 56 monasteries and nunneries in India. 1,934 students received modern education at residential schools designed to integrate newly arrived refugee students into the formal education system of India: the Tibetan Children’s Village School at Suja, Tibetan Homes Foundation School in Mussoorie, and Sherab Gatseling Transit School near Dharamsala.

Tibetan Professional Scholarship Program
The Tibetan Professional Scholarship Program (TPSP) supports Tibetan students to pursue professional degrees at colleges and universities in India and Nepal. Managed in collaboration with the CTA Department of Education in India and the Himalayan Society for Youth and Women Empowerment in Nepal, the program aims to cultivate a growing class of Tibetan professionals that can contribute to self-reliance of the Tibetan community in exile. In 2017 TPSP provided scholarships to 25 students in India pursuing degrees in medicine, law, business administration, pharmacology, computer applications, clinical research, and anthropology. Seven students in Nepal received scholarships to pursue degrees in sociology, hotel management, business administration, and law.

Terzo Yangchen, who is pursuing a bachelor’s degree at the Nepal College of Travel and Tourism Management, states:

“With the help of the scholarship I can study, and being educated in my community will earn me respect. Later I will get a job, which will help my family economically. The scholarship is the main source of inspiration in my life to achieve my goals. With the help of this scholarship I can focus on my career instead of thinking about how I will bear the educational costs.”

Dechen Wangmo, who is pursuing a bachelor honors degree in business administration at Imlington College in Kathmandu, explains:

“My parents were not very supportive at the beginning because they could not assist me with financial support for my college studies, but I was very determined to pursue higher studies. The scholarship has helped me to pursue higher education and improve my status as a woman in the community.”

Higher Education Scholarships in India and Nepal
Every year, close to 1200 Tibetan students graduate from high school and high cost prevents students from pursuing higher education. Since 2015 Yeshe Khorlo Foundation (YKF) has created scholarship opportunities for hundreds of students to pursue undergraduate and graduate degrees. In 2017, YFK funded 147 students (88 female and 59 male) with scholarships ranging from 45,000 to 65,000 rupees. This year, 57 students have graduated and the remaining 90 will continue their studies.

Nyima Bhuti is currently in her second year pursuing B.Sc in Nutrition and Dietetics with the support of the YKF at Mount Carmel College in Karnataka, India. Her goal is to become a dietitian and desires to serve in the Tibetan community. She explains:

“Attending college is undoubtedly a huge privilege and I am grateful that I have this opportunity to do so. I am beyond grateful to the YKF who makes these opportunities possible for me and other students. The scholarship has given me an opportunity in my life that I thought had passed me by, turning a dream into a reality.”

Tenzen Yangdon is a three year recipient of YKF Scholarship pursuing master’s degree in Zoology at Christ University.

She’s working on a research project focusing on zoology and hopes to publish the article by the end of her master’s degree. Her goal is to pursue a career either in research or work in the education field as a teacher.

Since 2012 USAID funding has provided scholarships for Tibetan students to pursue higher education in India and Nepal. Ranging from 25,000 to 100,000 annually, scholarships are awarded by the CTA Department of Education through a competitive merit-based process. In 2017, 433 scholarship recipients pursued undergraduate and graduate degrees at colleges and universities across India, from prestigious institutions such as Delhi University to vocational colleges such as Manipal College of Nursing. Dawa Tshomohoe was awarded a gold medal for academic excellence in business studies from Goyal Shila University.

Small Grants for Education and Youth Development
A grant of $5,000 was made by TTF to the COLLEGE FOR HIGHER TIBETAN STUDIES to install a CCTV system at the main entry and exit points of the campus, to improve safety of students and staff following an increase in unwanted guests entering the school grounds. With the improved security system, foot traffic has decreased and campus residents report feeling much safer on campus.
THE TIBETAN HOMES FOUNDATION school in Rajpur provides education to 580 students from primary through secondary grades. The school is located in the foothills of Dehradun, where a riverbed is causing soil erosion during the monsoon season, and nearby construction is posing encroachment and safety risks for the students. TTF provided a grant of $15,000 for construction of a retaining wall to prevent future soil erosion and encroachment by the public.

The NEPAL KHAGENDRA SCHOOL CHILDREN’S HOME in Kathmandu received $2,000 from Ryan Higgins to support art classes, benefiting 350 disabled students.

EMPOWERING THE VISION held its fourth Global Vision for Young Tibetans Conference in Bylakuppe Lugsam Settlement in Karnataka, South India. The Isdell Foundation provided a grant of $10,000 to fund this conference, benefitting 60 young Tibetans from India and Nepal.

The TIBETAN MEDICAL AND ASTROLOGICAL INSTITUTE in Dharamsala received $2,400 from Perry H. Smith to sponsor the education of ten staff children for one year.

Nutrition Program for Tibetan Children
Nutrition plays a critical role in the lives of children and their education achievement. In 2017, Ann Down provided a grant of $28,500, and the Hershey Foundation contributed $19,400 to improve the nutrition of children by providing healthier, more nutritious meals at Tibetan schools. Over 5,700 children in India and Nepal received supplemental nutrition, helping them lead healthier lives and stay focused in school.

IN LADAKH, INDIA, A NURSE USING A PORTABLE TESTING KIT TO CHECK BLOOD PRESSURE

The Tibet Fund helps provide exile Tibetans with access to affordable, quality healthcare, essential medical care for the most vulnerable refugees, TB prevention and treatment, maternal and child healthcare, safe drinking water, clean sanitation, preventive health education, and community health insurance. Working in partnership with the CTA Department of Health and Snow Lion Foundation, we support 54 Tibetan clinics and hospitals in India and Nepal, and provide Tibetan health workers and administrators with training, supplies, and new medical equipment.

Tibetan Health System Capacity Strengthening Project
This four-year USAID-funded project is supporting CTA Department of Health initiatives to achieve universal health coverage and improve the quality and reach of health services in all Tibetan settlements. In 2017 a new community-based outreach program was introduced that delivers basic health care, screening, and health education to the doorsteps of households. Improved health information system software was adopted to capture household and community level data for better health planning and policy making, and a new program was introduced to address adolescent health issues of sexual health, sexual harassment, mental health, and substance abuse. The Tibetan Medicare System (TMS) enrolled 24,155 members, an 84% increase over membership enrollment in 2015.

Essential Health Services for Vulnerable Tibetans in India and Nepal
With funding from the U.S. State Department Bureau of Population, Refugees, and Migration (PRM), 74,287 Tibetans in India and Nepal received access to basic primary care and referral services at 47 health clinics and hospitals. Administered by the CTA Department of Health and Snow Lion Foundation, health facilities also provided other essential services to 615 pregnant women, 1,150 newborn children, 266 TB patients, and other highly vulnerable refugees. 1,749 economically destitute Tibetans received essential medicine and emergency hospitalization; 106 disabled refugees received aids and appliances; 112 mentally disabled and epileptic patients received medical treatment; and 117 torture victims received medical benefits. Pregnant women received antenatal, delivery, and postnatal care, and children aged 0-5 were vaccinated for MMR, Hep B, Hib and Hep B Immune globin. 627 children also received nutritional supplement and traditional micronutrients.
Preventive Screening and Health Education
The CTA Department of Health and Snow Lion Foundation conducted preventive health screening and vaccinations and conducted health education campaigns throughout Tibetan settlements, schools, monasteries and nunneries. With funding from PRM, over the course of the year a total of 18,699 refugees attended health awareness workshops; 15,366 monks, nuns and students received TB screenings; 110 adolescent girls received cervical cancer screening and HPV vaccinations; and 759 young children received reproductive health education. 833 nuns received reproductive health education, 52 school staff attended TB awareness workshops; and 1,332 Tibetans attended substance abuse awareness talks.

Free Dental Camp in Nepal
The Tibet Fund once again held a successful dental camp in November. The camp was organized at Srongtsam Bhrikuti High School in Kathmandu with 40 dentists, hygienists, and postgraduates from New York University College of Dentistry (NYUCD) in association with Seven Summits Foundation. Rinchen Dharlo joined the NYUCD delegation to provide comprehensive dental care and preventive services to Tibetan children and elders. Within one week, over 1,000 Tibetan children and elders received treatment. This project was supported by the generous contribution of $5000 from Namaste Foundation.

Clean Water and Sanitation
With funding from PRM, a total of 13,027 Tibetans benefitted from water, sanitation and hygiene (WASH) infrastructure services in India and Nepal. New drinking water pipelines were set up in 3 camps in Mundgod benefitting 150 families, as well as 3 camps in Bir and Mandi providing 24 hour access to water for 4,779 individuals. A water tank with 5,000 liter capacity was installed in Chauntra settlement benefitting 327 family members in 70 households and providing improved access to clean drinking water. In Nepal, the Gangchen community building in Choopar Tibetan settlement was provided with 2 new generators, a water tank and a new drinking water treatment plant. Health workers conducted 141 home visits, screening and gave 449 Hepatitis B vaccinations.

Small Grants to Improve Community Health
The Tibet Fund provided $3,615 to the CTA HEALTH DEPARTMENT HOSPITAL in Doeguling settlement, Karnataka, to purchase new dental X-ray, lab, and physio equipment to improve the quality of health services for settlement residents. Doeguling is the second largest settlement in South India, consisting of ten camps, nine monasteries, a nunnery, and an elder home, with a population of over 16,000. A grant of $2,687 was also provided for renovations, equipment, and furniture at four smaller Health Department clinics: the Lhagyal Ri monks and nuns home ward, the Srinigar primary health center, which serves the Tibetan Muslim community in Kashmir, and health centers in Shimla and Paonta Sahib settlements, in Himachal Pradesh.

The Tibet Fund provided $3,191 to the TIBETAN MEDICAL AND ASTROLOGICAL INSTITUTE in Dharamsala to publish a series of 17 disease prevention and health promotion booklets in Tibetan language, intended to increase awareness about common health problems. Booklets topics include asthma, diabetes, arthritis, Hepatitis B, hypertension, pregnancy care, stomach cancer, Tuberculosis, cold and flu, constipation, heart disease, nerve and skin disorders, and gynecological health.

THE TIBETAN PRIMARY HEALTH CARE CENTRE serves the Paonta Cholsum Tibetan Settlement community consisting of 114 families and a population of over 1000. The health center was in need of renovation and TTF provided DH, CTA with $1,617 to improve the facility and purchase new furniture.

The Tibet Fund assisted DELEK HOSPITAL to secure and channel funds from generous individuals to support the hospital’s general operating costs. A total of $36,496 was allocated to doctor’s salaries and $21,585 to general and corpus fund from Friends of Delek Hospital and Dr. Zorba.

The Eye Surgery Fund provided $4,850 to support a FREE EYE SCREENING and CATARACT SURGERY CAMP. The camp was conducted by the CTA Health Department at Phendeyling Tibetan Settlement in Mainpath, benefitting 52 Tibetans and 8 Indian residents.

Wisdom’s Goldenrod Center for Philosophic Studies provided a grant of $970 to support the GUTSO HOSPITAL FOUNDATION hospital’s operating and construction costs.
The Tibet Fund established the Sponsorship Program to support Tibetans in exile who continue to struggle with poverty, including orphans and newly arrived children from Tibet who have come to India for better education. Some are elderly Tibetans with no family members to take care of them.

We continue to solicit funds for the sponsorship of monks, nuns, school children, and the elderly in the exile community in Nepal and India. These annual sponsorships are vitally important to the monastic institutions, schools, and elder homes which constantly struggle to provide nutritious meals, clothing, educational materials, health care, and other necessities to their residents.

In 2017, The Tibet Fund raised a total of $176,772.46 in sponsorship donations from private sources. These donations were transferred to the offices of the sponsored monasteries, nunneries, schools, and rest-homes in India and Nepal. The sponsorship supported 183 monks, 108 nuns, 352 school children, 42 disabled children, 39 elders, and seven performing arts students. Our Sponsorship Coordinator works with over 80 institutions and organizations to facilitate this program and meticulously maintains regular communications and follow-ups between donors and beneficiaries.

OUR BENEFICIARIES

Monasteries: Chuwar Gadhen Dopheling, Dzongar Institute, Drepung Gomang, Drepung Loseling, Gaden Shartse, Ganden Jangtse, Gaden Tharpa Choling, Gyumed Monastic School, Gosok Phuntsok Choeuling, Guto Tantric University, Institute of Buddhist Dialectics, Kirti, Samtenling Nunnery, Sera Jhe, Sera Mey, Sera Mey Toesam School, Tashi Lhunpo, Thubchog Gatsel Ling, Khari

Nunneries: Dolma Ling, Geden Choeuling, Jamyang Choling Institute, Jangchub Choeuling, Keydon Choklche Choeuling, Ladakh Nuns Association, Namdroling, Sakya Rinchen Choeuling, Samtenling Nunnery, Shugseb, Tibetan Nun’s Project, Tila Kopur, Tsoagyl Shedupling, and Thelchok Namdolting

Schools: Atisha Primary School, CST Dalhousie, CST Kalimpong, CST Nainital, CST Ravangla, CST Shimla, CST Sonada, CST Darjeeling, CST Mussoorie, Karuna Home for The Disabled, Lophel Ling School in Manang, Mt Kailash School, Pokhara, Nepal Snow Lion Foundation, Namgyal Middle Boarding School, Ngooden School for Tibetan Children with Special Needs, SOS High School Pokhara, Strongten School, STS, Bir, STS Chauntra, STS Dekyiling, STS Gangtok, STS Manali, STS Paonta Sahib, STS Pohkranbong, STS Shillong, STS Mewon Tsuglak Pteon, TCV Chauntra, TCV Dharamsala, TCV Selakai, TCV SOS Bylakuppe, TCV SOS Gopalpur, TCV SOS Ladakh, TCV Suja, Tibetan Children’s Village, Lower TCV Schools, Tibetan Homes Foundation, Tibetan Medical and Astrology Institute, and Yongling Croche and Kindergarten

Elder Homes: Tsering Elder’s Home, Jawalakhel Elders Home and Dhondenling Old People’s Home.

Institute of Performing Arts: Tibetan Institute of Performing Arts and Thangtong Lhugar Tibetan Performing Arts.

Manjushri Educational Services

Manjushri Educational Services (MES) received a grant of $16,500 for its Tibetan Children’s Literature Project (TCLP) and Early Childhood Care and Education (ECCE) initiative. To improve Tibetan language literacy among primary grade children, MES produced, printed, and distributed 4,500 copies of high quality Tibetan children’s books to 71 primary schools in India and Nepal, benefiting thousands of children in grades 1-3. MES also organized a workshop for writers and illustrators which led to publication of four new original children’s books. Under its ECCE initiative, MES hosted a workshop for 45 young parents who recently arrived from Tibet, and have limited knowledge about child development, parental guidance planning, and the importance of reading and storytelling.

Manjushri Legal Services

The Tibet Fund began supporting the Tibetan Legal Association (TLA) in 2016. This year TLA received a grant of $19,500 to provide pro-bono legal services to disadvantaged Tibetans and generate legal education awareness within the Tibetan community. 203 individuals received legal aid, and over 1,500 people in Tibetan settlements, schools and monasteries attended legal awareness programs. TLA also provided legal advice to the CTA, established a regional chapter, and provided training opportunities to Tibetan paralegal and law students in India.

We believe one of the best ways to assist Tibetans in exile is to empower Tibetans themselves to make positive change. Our main approach toward this goal is supporting Tibetan civil society organizations (CSOs) with potential to make a significant difference in their respective fields — whether it be education, health, gender equality, or legal vulnerability. We support CSOs both with small grants for their projects, and by building their capacity to become more professional organizations, so they can make the greatest impact possible on critical social, economic, and other community needs.

TIBETAN LEGAL ASSOCIATION EXPERT AT A WORKSHOP IN A NUNNERY

“we the parents of Chauntra feel that we learned a lot from the baby box workshop. It was very informative. Being a mother, I feel there are so many things we lack behind while nurturing our child. I suggest every parent having a child from infant to 3 years must have this kind of workshop. Thank you Manjushri Education Services and Gen Ngawang Tseten la for the initiative.”

Tenzin Kunsang, A parent from Chauntra
“The workshop by Manjushri Educational Services regarding babies was an eye-opener for most of the mothers in our society. The most important part for me was the development of brain power and main growth time from zero to two years old. Parents have to speak with babies. Parents also have to sit and give time for playing, reading books, and storytelling. I appreciate this type of workshop in the future. I am looking for a beautiful library for my kids in my house.”

Tenzin Choezom, A parent from Chauntra

Kunphen
Based in Dharamsala, Kunphen is a Tibetan organization focusing on treatment and care for individuals living with substance abuse problems. In 2017, Kunphen established the Kunphen Recovery Center to provide treatment and recovery services to substance addicts, and TTF provided a grant of $6,155 for 40 beds and mattresses to benefit future clients recovering from alcohol and drug addiction.

Tibet Times
Tibet Times received a grant of $4,662 from the Isdell Foundation to expand its digital journalism reach through video streaming. The grant was used to purchase equipment to produce and publish videos. Tibet Times has since witnessed an increase in viewership, and has been able to disseminate information in a faster, more efficient way. As a result, many of its reporters are now taking an interest in developing video journalism skills.

Patient Care Trust
Patient Care Trust (PCT) provides pro-bono medical advocacy services to economically vulnerable Tibetans with severe and life-threatening medical conditions, elderly Tibetans without family support, and newly arrived refugees with language barriers. PCT helps secure appointments with qualified specialists at reputable Delhi hospitals and then helps patients navigate the complex hospital system, provides Tibetan translation when needed, arranges for transportation and low-cost accommodation, and seeks funding for those unable to afford medical expenses. In 2017, PCT received a grant of $14,000 from TTF and provided pro-bono services to 153 vulnerable Tibetan patients.

Tenzin Yingsal suffered from kidney failure and previously attended an army hospital where they failed to provide her with proper care. When her family reached out to Patient Care Trust, they connected them to All India Institute of Medical Sciences Hospital in Delhi where her mother, Tsewang Dolma, was able to donate one of her kidneys to her daughter. Tenzin Yingsal received quality care and had a successful operation.

Active Nonviolence Education Center
The Active Nonviolence Education Center received a grant of $26,353 from the Gendler Family Foundation to promote and provide training in nonviolent methods of conflict and fighting oppression in the Tibetan community.

National Democratic Party of Tibet
The National Democratic Party of Tibet received a grant of $3,000 from TTF to host a Youth Leadership Training workshop for 40 Tibetan college students in Bylakuppe, India. The three-day workshop aimed to build leadership capacity for participants through sessions on leadership, women empowerment, the international legal system, and the role of the younger generation in a democratic system.
Empowering Tibetans to safeguard their culture depends on the vitality of Tibetan communities in exile, which in turn depends on the ability of families and individuals to be economically self-reliant. The Tibet Fund supports projects to improve the livelihoods of disadvantaged Tibetans through small enterprise development, vocational skills training, and agriculture development, while also meeting basic community needs for settlement housing, water security, and sanitation infrastructure.

Tibetan Self-Reliance and Resilience Program

A new five-year USAID-funded program, the Tibetan Self Reliance and Resilience Program (TSRR), began supporting initiatives to increase incomes and employment of Tibetans in India and Nepal. A new microenterprise loan fund was launched, benefitting 806 Tibetan street vendors who earn much of their annual income selling ready-made sweaters and other winter clothes in city markets across India. Each vendor received low-interest credit of 100,000 rupees for six months from the CTA Social and Resource Development Fund. Loans enabled sweater sellers to increase the amount and quality of their stock inventory, leading to higher sales and net income.

524 unemployed youth received vocational skills training at centers managed by the CTA Department of Home in Dharamsala and Bangalore. Short term courses provided training in hairdressing and beautician skills, cooking, web design, accounting software, Photoshop, and hotel management. To increase farm income the program delivered technical training to 364 farmers, and supported new crop cultivation and organic farming on 135 acres of land in Chandragiri and Mundgod settlements. 45 farmers and their families will receive income from organic mango and cashew crops when they are ready for market. To promote entrepreneurship and small enterprise development, the Tibetan Entrepreneurship Development (TED) initiative delivered business development services and training to 51 existing small enterprises and supported 13 new entrepreneurs to start their own businesses. TED provided incubation training, business planning assistance, and seed investment grants to start-up businesses.

Small Grants for Community Development

Wade Luther and Tenzin Jigme from NATEX, Inc., provided a grant of $9,246 to dig soaking pits and install rainwater harvesting equipment at RATO MONASTERY in Doeguling settlement in Mundgod, Karnataka. Roof water captured during the monsoon season was used to revive underground bore wells that were previously dry. The project demonstrated a simple low-cost technology that is now being adopted by other monasteries in the settlement.

Following the successful demonstration at Rato Monastery, The Tibet Fund provided $10,625 to install the same rainwater harvesting technology and recharge a bore well at GANZEN MONASTERY TRITOKHANG in Mundgod, Karnataka. Water scarcity is increasingly prevalent throughout South India, and rainwater and groundwater are the only accessible water sources in Mundgod. Extensive dependence on groundwater has caused contamination of the water table in some areas. Through this project, the Doeguling Tibetan Settlement and its surrounding villages will have access to cleaner, more abundant water for years to come.

Friends of Reimagining Doeguling Tibetan Settlement (RDTS) provided a grant of $9,180 to support RDTS’s projects and its operating costs.

The Tibet Fund provided $4,144 to construct a cross bridge and drainage channel for a community of 93 families in SONAMLING TIBETAN SETTLEMENT in LADAKH. Sonamling Camp 6 had been affected by frequent flooding from a nearby river. With construction of the bridge and channel, families can now safely access neighboring Tibetan camps, and children can easily access school during the rainy season.

The Tibet Fund provided $15,000 to the CTA Department of Home to help build new houses for 116 disadvantaged families in DEKYLING SETTLEMENT in Uttarakhand. PRM funding was also used to construct 35 new houses for newly arrived refugees in Bylakuppe settlement.

The Tibet Fund provided $3,494 to PAONTA CHOLSUM TIBETAN SETTLEMENT in Himachal Pradesh to build a regulation-size soccer field and erect new goal posts. The new field is now being used by soccer-playing youth of 105 families living in the settlement.

The PRALRABLING TIBETAN SETTLEMENT in Kullu, Himachal Pradesh, was facing problems due to unavailability of street lights. The Tibet Fund provided $1,000 to install street lights to insure safety and security of the residents living in this Tibetan settlement.

The Tibet Fund made two grants totaling $3,070 to the TIBETAN SETTLEMENT OFFICES OF BOUJOH-JORPATI AND SWAYAMBHU in Kathmandu, Nepal, for office computers and a photocopy machine.

The ex-Kollegal community in the United States made a grant of $6,155 to construct and renovate a cemetery for the DHONDENLING COMMUNITY in KOLLEGA, Karnataka State.
The Tibet Fund’s core mission is to preserve the distinct cultural and national identity of the Tibetan people. In 2017 we focused on creating opportunities for Tibetan youth in the diaspora to engage with their cultural identity and roots. We launched various initiatives promoting Tibetaculness Retreat, and Summer Camp Grants. Activities focused on instilling a strong sense of Tibetan identity among youth by offering opportunities to learn more about Tibetan Buddhism, language, and culture. A total of 594 students participated in initiatives coordinated by TTF in 2017.

Language Training for Tibetan Monks

Peterson provided a grant of $1 million for the Language Training Program (LTP). LTP was launched on July 6, 2017, with the goal of teaching adult monks English and Chinese to facilitate meaningful dialogue, advance Tibetan spiritual practices, and increase Tibetan monks’ humanitarian services by minimizing language barriers. LTP began implementation in five monastic colleges: Gaden Jangtse, Sera Mey, Drepung Loselling, Drepung Gomang, and Gaden Shartse, with a total of 765 students benefitting.

Sera Jey Monastery established the Sera Je Secondary School in the 1970’s with the goal of raising a generation of monk scholars and teachers capable of independently teaching, writing and translating Buddhist teachings and scriptures in Tibetan as well as foreign languages. The school currently provides both traditional and modern education to 650 young monk students. To become a self-reliant, financially sustainable institution, Sera Je launched an initiative to establish a corpus fund. The Tibet Fund contributed $5,000, and an additional $2,864 was raised through an online fundraising campaign with the help of generous donors.

SUMMER CAMPS FOR CHILDREN

The Tibet Fund provided a total of $32,000 in grants to 16 Tibetan Associations throughout the United States and Canada to host summer camps for Tibetan children. The associations hosted camps ranging from five days to two weeks, benefitting 459 children from 8 to 16 years of age. Associations receiving $2,000 included: Capital Area Tibetan Association, Washington D.C., Northwest Tibetan Cultural Association, Regional Tibetan Association Indiana, Tibetan Alliance of Chicago, Tibetan American Community of Connecticut, Tibetan American Foundation of Minnesota, Tibetan Association of Alberta, Tibetan Association of Charlotteville, Tibetan Association of Colorado, Tibetan Association of Northern California, Tibetan Association of Santa Fe, Tibetan Association of Vermont, Tibetan Association of Washington, Tibetan Canadian Cultural Centre Ontario, Utah Tibetan Association, and Wisconsin Tibetan Association.

TIBETAN STORY READING COMPETITION

The 2017 Tibetan Story Reading Competition kicked off in March, inviting young Tibetan children to showcase their Tibetan reading skills. Reading is one of the most useful ways of learning a new language and is critical to preserving Tibetan language among the young generation. The competition was divided into two age categories: 8 to 12-year-old and 13 to 16-year-old students. Participants received practice reading materials to prepare for the competition, and later two stories were sent to students in each reading category to be read, recorded, and uploaded via YouTube. Over 100 students from all over the United States and Canada participated.

Competition winners of the 8 to 12-year-old category were Tenzin Kunsel from Minnesota, Tsekyi D. Tsultrim from New York, Pema Chudrum Tashi from Connecticut, Ngawang Tsering from Calgary, Canada, and Zeal Lhamo from Minnesota. Winners of the 13 to 16-year-old category were Gaybchoe Lhamo from Connecticut, Tenzin Tsekyi Thokmey from Connecticut, Tenzin Tsedub Lodoe from Virginia, Tenzin Yangchen from Minnesota, Karma Tserringtso from Minnesota.

4TH ANNUAL MINDFULNESS RETREAT FOR TIBETAN YOUTHS

The Tibet Fund, in collaboration with Online Tibetan Education (OTE) and Do-Ngak Kun-Phen Ling (DNKL), organized a Mindfulness Retreat in Redding, Connecticut, for Tibetan youths 16 and over residing in North America. The week-long retreat aimed to provide young Tibetans born and raised in the West to focus on Tibetan Buddhism, history, culture and language. The retreat was structured in particular for youths to grasp the basic foundation in pursuit of paving the way for the future. 18 Tibetan students were awarded formal certificates for their participation, which included conversations and debating various topics as well as going on hikes, movie night, and a field trip to Grace Farm. The retreat concluded with group presentations in Tibetan language exploring various topics of interest to the students. The Mindfulness Retreat is intended to raise awareness, educate and get Tibetan youths more engaged in their cultural heritage.
As long as the Tibet issue remains unresolved, Tibetans will continue to escape from repressive conditions in Tibet to freedom in exile. Assisting new refugees from Tibet to become self-sufficient and productive members of the Tibetan exile community is a core objective of humanitarian assistance from the U.S. State Department Bureau for Population, Refugees, and Migration (PRM). PRM funding supports quality rehabilitation services for incoming refugees through two reception centers in India administered by the CTA Department of Security. New refugees receive legal and physical protection, food, shelter, clothing, medical care, transportation, and assistance in entering Tibetan schools, monasteries, and nunneries in refugee settlements. Former political prisoners, torture victims, and refugees suffering from post-traumatic stress receive special financial and psychosocial support.

In 2017, 97 newly arrived refugees received legal and physical protection before transiting to schools, monasteries, and nunneries. In collaboration with UNCHR and the Government of India, new arrivals secured entry permits, safe passage, and legal documentation to stay in India.

All newly arrived refugees received free medical check ups and tests for infectious diseases such as TB and Hepatitis B at the Tibetan Refugee Reception Center. A survey found that 95% of newly arrived Tibetans were successfully enrolled and expressed satisfaction with the quality of education at their respective institutions.

In addition to these new refugees, those who arrived in the past few years have received formal education in Tibetan Transit School, Tibetan Children’s Village School at Suja and Tibetan Homes Foundation School in Mussoorie.

PRM funding was also used to construct 33 new houses for newly arrived refugees in Bylakuppe settlement, and The Tibet Fund provided $15,000 to the CTA Department of Home to help build new houses for 116 disadvantaged families in Dekyiling Tibetan Settlement.

TIBETAN FAMILY RETREAT PROGRAM
The Tibet Fund co-organized a three-day family retreat of Buddhist practices in Redding, Connecticut, for Tibetan families residing in North America. Organized in collaboration with DNKL, the program was attended by 16 participants and provided Tibetan families with an opportunity to learn Tibetan Buddhism, Buddhist philosophy, and engage in different kinds of meditation.

SUMMER TIBETAN STUDY PROGRAM IN INDIA
A five-week Summer Study Program for young Tibetans born and brought up in the West was organized by The Tibet Fund and the Institute of Buddhist Dialectics. 20 participants gained an in-depth understanding of their cultural heritage, traditions, the Tibetan community in exile, and issues associated with Tibet. Students were offered courses in meditation, Tibetan language, Tibetan culture and civilization, and Tibetan Buddhist philosophy and practice. Participants were also given the opportunity for an audience with His Holiness the Dalai Lama.

Small Grants for Cultural Programs
Institute of Buddhist Dialectics
Gareth Sparham provided a grant of $500 for general support of the Institute of Buddhist Dialectics.

Tashi Lhunpo Monastery
The Lucy Goldman Fund of the Jewish Community Foundation provided a grant of $2,000 and Beyster Family Trust provided $1,000 for general support of Tashi Lhunpo Monastery in Karnataka, South India.

Institute of Tibetan Classics
The Scully Peretsman Foundation made a grant of $58,200 for research and general support of the Institute of Tibetan Classics.

General Support to Monastic Institutions
Wade Luther and Tenzin Jigme from NATEX, Inc. provided grants of $8,000 to Dzongkar Choede Monastery; $4,000 to Kongpo Khangtsen Monastery; and $8,000 to Lhagon Jangchub Choeling Monastery for general support of these monastic institutions. A grant of $5,000 was also provided to the Department of Religion and Culture to support the Bodhi Gaya Kalachakra program.

Rehabilitating New Refugees

PARTICIPANTS AT SUMMER STUDY PROGRAM IN SARAH COLLEGE, DHARAMSALA, INDIA
A Few Success Stories

Pema is a 16-year-old girl from Miao Tibetan Settlement, Arunachal Pradesh. Her mother is an agriculture worker and her father is a tailor. She studied in CST Miao till 8th Grade and then joined Rajpur Homes School, a residential Tibetan school in Dehradun. “I don’t have many friends here because I grew up in Miao.”

In November 2016, she had symptoms of chronic cold, chest pain, night fever and went to her school clinic for a check-up. She was diagnosed with TB and admitted for treatment into her local Tibetan Primary Health Center, funded by Bureau for Tibet. In the beginning, she felt isolated, but coped along with others who were also going through the same experience. Despite this, Pema continued her medication for six months. “I am now cured”, she says with a shy smile. “My weight which had dropped to 41 kgs is now 46 kgs. My appetite was made to understand that her blood count was very low. My parents are relieved and very happy. I now lead a normal life and am making new friends.”

Learning New Skills at the Tibetan Transit School
Tsamchoe studied for 5 years at Tibetan Transit School and learnt to read and write English and Tibetan. In the beginning, she felt isolated, but coped along with others who were also going through the same experience. Although she was 21 when she arrived in India, she had never been to school in Tibet. During her five years at TTS, she worked hard to learn and advance her knowledge. She arrived India with nothing and today she has a happy family, and a thriving business which keeps her busy and productively employed. She has been running a stall for the past five years. Her work requires her to communicate in English with customers. At the Transit school, she learnt both written and spoken English.

The Tibetan Transit School was established to provide educational opportunities for those adult Tibetan refugees who escape from Tibet. The US Department of State Bureau of Population, Refugees and Migration of the US State Department.

“I was scared”, Pema confided as she was made to understand that her blood count was very low. She also had no appetite. After she was discharged, she continued her medication for six months. “I am now cured”, she says with a shy smile. “My weight which had dropped to 41 kgs is now 46 kgs. My parents are relieved and very happy. I now lead a normal life and am making new friends.”

SUCCESS STORY
The Tibet Fund’s Scholarship Programs

Tsering Wangmo is from Ladakh, India. Her parents always emphasized the importance of education and did everything in their power to give her good education. Tsering’s father also emphasized that education was not limited to just textbooks and made sure that she listened to radio news, read different books and encouraged daily writing. Although they lived an extremely simple and modest life, she was supplemented with well-known magazines such as the National Geographic and Reader’s Digest by her father to learn about the world outside of the little village she was living in. Tsering was inspired by the stories on the radio and magazines; plus how the world is connected by the flow of information and news. She wanted to become someone who brought news and views, who told stories of different parts of the world, and who connected people. This led her to pursue a bachelor’s degree in journalism, where she discovered her passion for storytelling through photography and film.

In 2016, Tsering arrived in New York as a Tibetan Scholarship Program recipient to pursue a graduate program at NYU’s Journalism school focusing on news and documentary. She graduated early 2018 and has returned to Ladakh to shoot her first ever long documentary film about Tibetan nomads in exile. She expressed that:

“There are lot more yet to do and yet to accomplish. I hope to one-day start a women’s production company in India, partnering with other Tibetan women who are in the same field as me to empower Tibetan women. With this, I want to thank His Holiness the Dalai Lama for his visions for a more abled community. The Tibet fund for their service through various engagements, for cultural and educational benefits and to everyone who have supported education of Tibetan children.”

Tenzin Wangdu grew up in Pokhara, Nepal. Even from a young age he understood that education was necessary for his future and was determined to study, accepting every challenge as a stepping stone to his success. He received a Bachelor’s in Business Administration at La Grande International College and Master of Business Administration at the School of Business. Upon completing his MBA, Wangdu worked as a program manager at Backstreet Academy. He believes strongly that access to education is a right of all children. He has worked to support children’s education by teaching marketing, accounting, and business at two high schools in Nepal; and provided counseling and guidance to youth as The President of Tashiling Potala Club in Tashiling Camp. Currently, he’s pursuing his MBA at the University of the Incarnate Word in San Antonio, Texas under the Tibetan Scholarship Program. He states:

“I feel wonderful to have the opportunity to study at University of Incarnate Word. The people, culture and environment is amazing in San Antonio. This program has helped me grow in every possible way, providing me with opportunities to connect with great professors, attend various seminars and symposiums on important current issues. All of this has given me a better picture of the world. This would not be possible without the support of US DoS, The Tibet Fund and Nepal TSP Committee. I would love to say thank you for your support and kindness.”

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The Tibet Fund highly appreciates your generosity to help our charity works. Your support will continue to make a significant difference in the lives of vulnerable Tibetan refugees who need your help. Please visit our website www.tibetfund.org, call me at 212 213 5011 or email at info@tibetfund.org

- Lobsang Nyandak, President, The Tibet Fund
Lobsang Wangmo is from a remote Tibetan settlement in India called Tenzin Gang. During her high school years, she developed a deep inclination towards the field of technology when she got the opportunity to use computers in her classroom. Lobsang gained admission at Guru Gobind Singh Indraprastha University and graduated with a bachelor’s degree in Computer Science. She got her first job as a developer and post of Assistant System Engineer in Tata Consultancy Services, one of the largest IT Company in India. At present she is pursuing her graduate degree in Computer Science at University of Arkansas, Fayetteville under the Tibetan Scholarship Program. Reflecting on her studies, she explains: “Within this past year I have learned about many new interesting software systems. Most of the useful software for which we have to pay high amounts as a general public, are free for University students here which makes it lot easier for us to access. I will continue to make the most of it by using these amazing educational resources, I will try my best to learn as much as I can. By learning and mastering useful software, I aim to give back to Tibetan Community by working at Tibetan Computer Resource Centre at CTA, Dharamsala, India from next year. I want to thank US State Department for giving me this opportunity, especially thank you to TTF for administering this scholarship programs so wonderfully.”

SUCCESS STORY

A Community Works Together for Water

Jampaling Settlement in Nepal was founded in 1972 and has a population of 615 Tibetan refugees. Reliable drinking water supply has been a challenge for the community in recent years. A WASH activity to provide new drinking water supply was approved under PRM grant 2016/17.

The water source is located 2 kilometers from the settlement. The activity involved increasing the water intake area and building a gabion wall to mitigate the risk of flooding and soil erosion. Eight columns were constructed to support the pipeline. Truss structures to support the pipe between the columns were fabricated and erected. Galvanized iron pipes were used for straight stretches and high-density polyethylene pipes for bends and difficult terrain. Pipelines were installed along an irrigation canal and are now connected to all areas in Jampaling settlement.

It was important that the community were also involved in the labor as it meant that they understood the water system and felt ownership for it. Although the work was challenging, particularly digging the route for the pipeline, as the ground was hard and the weather was hot, the laborers said, they felt good doing this work. They also gained skills needed for future maintenance work. 129 settlement households and local institutions, including the elders home, school, clinic, settlement office and monastery now have reliable access to water. A total of 174 taps and meters were installed. A minimum charge of NPR 30/month of the meter and pay-as-per-use system will provide an income for system maintenance managed by the water project committee.

It is very good to see our youth providing labor and our people managing a project like this. They all worked hard together and the results are excellent. The best things is that now we have a good water supply to our front doors.” Jampaling resident, interview with TTF, August 2017.

Statement of Financial Position
Year Ended December 31, 2017

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These statements of financial position and activities were derived from the 2017 financial statements of The Tibet Fund’s independent auditors, Loeb & Troper. A copy of the audited financial statements and Form 990 FY 2017 are available upon request from The Tibet Fund.

Statement of Program Activities

| Economic & Community Development | 57% |
| Health Care | 9% |
| Religion & Cultural Preservation | 5% |
| Humanitarian Assistance | 25% |
| Education & Scholarship | 16% |
| Management & Fundraising | 8% |
# Statement of Revenue Activities

Year Ended December 31, 2017

## Revenues, gains and other support

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