2017 Annual Report
A Year of Changes

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INTRODUCTION

385 million children live in extreme poverty. There is no easy fix to ending poverty and its devastating effects, but we do know educating those who are impoverished, and educating the world about impoverished communities, is part of developing a sustainable solution. The International Humanity Foundation (IHF) is an international non-religious, non-political, and nonprofit organisation that provides education and safe Children's Homes to impoverished children in Indonesia, Kenya, and Thailand through our five IHF Centers.

2017 was a year filled with major changes for our organisation. We worked hard to refine our mission, to make clear to the world our vision, and to establish our core values. We expect the changes we made in 2017 will help us deliver programming via our Education Centers and Children's Homes, as well as communicate with our supporters, more effectively.

ORGANISATION OVERVIEW

MISSION

To educate impoverished children—activating their highest potential—and educate global citizens, through real life experiences, about the realities of impoverished communities, the value of other cultures, and the many responsibilities of running an international NGO.

VISION

To develop global leaders with cross-cultural experiences, and respect for different cultures, from differing socioeconomic backgrounds, who are equipped to make decisions that serve and positively impact, promote, and protect the dignity and humanity of people everywhere.

CORE VALUES

1. Children always come first.  
2. Education empowers.  
3. Honesty is the only policy.  
4. Lead by examples.  
5. Celebrate differences.  
6. Preserve culture.  
7. Leave your mark.  
8. Pass it on.
In 2017, with the help and support of volunteers (both international and local) as well as our sponsors and donors, we were able to serve more than 1,000 children in need through our Children's Homes and Education Centers!
IHF operates two Children’s Homes internationally: one in Chiang Rai, Thailand and one in Nakuru, Kenya. Our homes are open to the most vulnerable and marginalized children. Many of the children who reside in our homes are orphans who have experienced extreme poverty and lost parents due to natural disaster, disease, or abandonment. At our IHF Children’s Home Centers these children are welcomed with open arms, and find a permanent family that believes strongly in preserving the values and traditions of their cultures.

IHF cares for the children who reside at our homes through our Orphan Care (ORP), Medical (MED), Education (TEP), and Nancy’s University House (TEPU) sponsorship programs.

IHF operates three Education Centers in Indonesia: one in Bali, one in Jakarta and one in Medan. IHF Education Centers offers free and open classes, taught by local teachers in congruence with visiting international volunteers. Our Education Centers were developed to address gaps in Indonesia’s local education systems. Children from impoverished backgrounds often have little to no access to a good education. And what little education these children do receive is often poor quality.

Our Education Centers embody the anchor of our core values, our “Pass It On” philosophy: showing compassion for all humanity by taking the time to teach others what we know. One of the greatest displays of this commitment is having people who have received a free and/or high-quality education “pass it on” to a child in need by teaching a class as a local or international volunteer, or sponsoring a child’s education through our Education (TEP) and Class Sponsorship programs.
In 2017, our children were so thankful to have received over 2,800 monthly sponsorships from generous donors around the world! These sponsorships give the children access to a safe place to live, eat, and play. It also provides them with access to a quality education and medical care, which many of them didn’t have before joining IHF. We are all grateful for the continued support we receive from generous people around the world!

In May 2017 we launched Nancy’s University House. Through this program, IHF helps to provide university and vocational training students with a safe space to live and study. Nancy’s University House allows our young adults to remain a part of IHF, advances their chances of employment, and allows them to mentor and inspire the younger children to seek higher education as well.
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When I was young, the happiest times of my life were because I had a very warm family. I got love and attention from my mother and father. However, that happiness was short lived because my father died when I was three years old. Everything changed after that. My mother got remarried and my stepfather didn’t like me. About a year later, my mother went to prison because she was on drugs.

My uncle became my caretaker. He was nice to me until he got married. His wife was unhappy with me. She didn’t treat me kindly. I had to do hard work every day. If I didn’t finish the work, she wouldn’t let me have food that day. I stayed with my uncle for 10 years.

In 2006, IHF Founder Mae Carol Sasaki came to my village with a housemother to help children. My uncle told me to go with Mae Carol to better my education. He didn’t want his wife to treat me badly any more. When I became a child at the IHF Chiang Rai Children’s Home, I got a family and received love from Mae Carol. It changed my life!

Mae Carol and my teachers taught me that education is very important for my life and future. So I studied hard every day. I believed in education because I loved school and I wanted to improve my life.

Growing up, people used to look down on me and even insulted me. It made me sad, and I wondered why people did not treat others as equals. So when I graduated from high school, I decided to study justice and entered the Law program at Chiang Rai Rajapaht University. I studied hard until I graduated with my Bachelor’s Degree in Law. I was very happy and proud of myself!

After I graduated, I decided to help IHF Chiang Rai Center by becoming the center’s Director. IHF is my family and this role gave me a great opportunity to use my knowledge to support IHF and help children like me.

While working with IHF, I continued studying in the Lawyer Program. I recently passed my Lawyer exams and I have to wait around 5 months to get my lawyer license. After I get my lawyer license, I will become a lawyer.

I could not have achieved my successes and my education without the support of Mae Carol, IHF, and the IHF sponsors and volunteers. I very much appreciate it! And I promise to continue to help other people around the world.
NAKURU CENTER
AN IHF CHILDREN'S HOME

50
Children Served

24
International Volunteers

1,069
Sponsorships

5
Local Volunteers
RAISING LEADERS!

“HOW IHF CHILDREN’S HOMES CHANCE A LIFE”
BY DIEWERTJE KERSTEN

Kases Kakuko is one of the children residing in the IHF Children’s Home in Nakuru, Kenya. He is 18 years old. I remember Kases introducing himself to me when I first arrived and trying to help me remember his name by telling me he walks in a certain way. Kases is one of the first boys to go to school every morning, and also one of the last boys to return home. He is a very curious boy, always asking questions and looking to learn something new. During his free time, you can find Kases with a book or playing football with the other children, which he very much enjoys.

Before Kases came to the IHF Children’s Home, he lived in Pokot, a region in the western part of Kenya.

“I started school when I was 9, so I didn’t start in the first grade level. In school we didn’t get lessons in English, we learned Swahili or our own regional language. While in Pokot, I received an IHF orphan care sponsorship, like the other children living here in Nakuru now. At this time, the children’s home didn’t exist in Nakuru yet. When the IHF Nakuru Children’s Home opened, I moved to Nakuru. The local schools here in Nakuru do teach in English, so I had some troubles in the beginning at school here. Now I don’t have that anymore.”

If you ask Kases what IHF has given him that changed his life for the better, he will tell you: “The most important part of IHF is education. I am the only one of my relatives who has ever gotten the chance to go to school. I am the first generation in my family to do this. I am successful in school and in sports. IHF Nakuru Center has given me the chance to go to school and learn.” Kases is extremely motivated to achieve his dreams of attending Harvard Medical School in the United States of America.

At our IHF Nakuru Center, the older children in senior levels at school are given the chance to be a team leader among the other, younger children. Kases is one of those leaders. “Being a team leader means I am responsible for a group of children. I make sure my group completes our tasks and chores in and around the property on Sundays. The children in my group can also come to me with ideas, complaints and comments. I bring those topics up to be discussed during a meeting with the other leaders and volunteers at the Children’s Home. I believe this gives me some valuable skills like communication, that will help me later when it is time to get a job. Being team leader is also an opportunity to contribute to IHF’s work, and it will benefit me as I become an adult and develop skills to express myself in the outside world.”

With such a big heart, combined with his smarts and motivation to succeed, there is no doubt that Kases will achieve his dream to help others the way that he has been helped.
BALI CENTER

AN IHF EDUCATION CENTER

386 Children Served

480 Sponsorships

70 International Volunteers

5 Local Volunteers
A MUST DO!

“HOW VOLUNTEERING WITH IHF CHANGED MY LIFE.” BY INÉS GALÁN

In the West, people seem to run and compete for everything...chasing a thing called “happiness.” But when you volunteer with IHF and see the children’s smiling faces you realize that the happiness everyone is looking for is within yourself and the simple things. Or better said, people are what matters.

When I arrived in Bali, I met my IHF Family made up of local and international volunteers. The local volunteers were very generous; they brought not only lots of sweets but also their homey touch to the center too. There are no words in the world to thank those people because of their friendship, support and kindness during the period I spent in Bali and also after leaving.

After a couple of days in the center, I finally met the children. It is overwhelming to face a class of 6 or 9-year-olds who are eager to learn but don’t understand you most of the time. However, there is a kind of communication that does not require the use of verbal language, and after some days with them, we perfectly understood each other.

Some of their stories break your heart, but you also share their achievements: school, first love, first heartbreaks...They show you their gratitude with their smiles but also with flowers and respect too.

During the time I was there, the volcano Mount Agung was active. The center was perfectly safe and Agung only brought people closer together. Community is a big deal on this paradise island.

If there is something worth to staring at and cherishing in life, it is those Bali sunsets. The island has many different environments, cultures, temples, and natural landscapes, to name a few. Driving a motorbike in Bali is like travelling to a different world. My experience at the IHF Bali Center gave me more than I was able to offer. I will never forget the many people I met there. I highly recommend it.

Volunteering with IHF is a must do in life!
JAKARTA CENTER

AN IHF EDUCATION CENTER

337 Children Served
17 International Volunteers
516 Sponsorships
38 Local Volunteers
"My name is Ariska, I am 18 years old. I have been studying at the IHF Jakarta Center since I was in grade 10 and now I'm in 12th grade. It has been 3 years. I come to study English, Computers, and Math. IHF has been improving my education, especially my English, Math, and Computer Skills.

For English: Before I came to IHF, I couldn't speak English at all, but now I'm brave enough and confident enough to speak up.

For Math: IHF has helped me improve my score. Before IHF, I failed two math subjects. When I started attending the Jakarta Center I got a high score in my math class. Before IHF I used to hate math, and now, I've fallen in love with it!

And with Computers, now I can operate Microsoft Word and Excel and Powerpoint. I feel grateful that I came to IHF, and I'm so thankful to IHF because IHF changed my education."

ABOUT ARISKA
Ariska attends a local vocational high school and is an Accounting major. For the last 3 years, Ariska has taken English, math, and computer classes at our IHF Jakarta Center every week. She always attends her classes, and has a perfect attendance record. We're proud to serve children like Ariska every week!
MEDAN CENTER

AN IHF EDUCATION CENTER

351
Children Served

4
International Volunteer

540
Sponsorships

14
Local Volunteers
PASSING IT ON!

"THE IMPACT IHF HAS HAD ON THIS LOCAL TEACHER'S LIFE" BY SITI AISYAH

When I came to the IHF Medan Center to learn English and math, 10 years ago, I could not imagine that this place would play such a big role in my life. At that time I was a child, only 11 years old. There was no opportunity to learn English at my local school, so that is why I spent a lot of time at the Medan Center. I not only took English and math classes, I also played with my new friends, the teachers, and the international volunteers. Time passed and I finished SD5, SD6, SMP and SMA classes. It was time to leave IHF as there were no classes for the high school students at the time.

However, my desire to stay involved with IHF was strong, and after my last year as a student I joined the IHF Medan Center as a math teacher. At the time I was in high school and still very young, but the volunteers trusted me and I was given a chance to teach the youngest children at the center – SD1 and SD2 classes. I fell in love with teaching immediately and I have never quit my position since then.

In 2013, I won a scholarship to study Law in one of Medan’s best universities! Of course, my studies at IHF contributed to that. Still, I felt that I needed to pass that same opportunity on to other children, so they too could have a good education and better life in the future. For the next four years, while studying in college, I always made time to return to the Medan Center and teach math.

A few months ago, I finally graduated! I celebrated this milestone with my friends from IHF, all of them came to join me and my family for the graduation. During the ceremony, I was called to the stage as one of the 3 best students in the graduating class. That honor speaks to the superior quality of IHF and the goodness of the people who contribute to it’s mission.

One might assume that at this point I would have started looking for a new, high-paying job, but instead I have decided to join IHF in a new role, as a long-term volunteer under the Global Leadership Development Program.

More than 10 years have passed since I was that 11-year-old girl willing to learn English and math. Here, at the IHF Medan Center, I matured, received the knowledge that helped me to win a scholarship, and became equipped with the skills to successfully finish college. Throughout the years I have met people from all over the world, who have shared their life experiences with me. I have made so many friends—both local and international. I have seen children grow up with a chance to have a better education. And I know my contribution is meaningful. IHF Medan Center has bettered the lives of many people, mine in particular. And now I am working to change someone else's life. New children are coming in and new hopes are emerging in their hearts.
In 2017, our income total of USD 100,265.08 was the direct result of the investment sponsors, donors, and volunteers made in IHF.

Without the commitment of these generous investors, we would not be able to deliver the life-transforming programming we do to the children we serve!

**OUR EXPENSES**

In 2017, we spent a total of USD 116,326.78 to implement programming that impacted more than 1,000 children weekly.
EXPENSES BY CENTER TYPE

CHILDREN’S HOMES
USD 70,717.15

- Education: 25%
- Local Staff: 19%
- Activities/Trips: 3%
- Transportation: 12%
- Clothing Costs: 1%
- Food Cost: 12%
- Utility Bills: 4%
- Volunteer Care: 7%
- Peace Farm: 8%
- Repair & Maint: 4%
- Medical Expenses: 2%

EDUCATION CENTERS
USD 45,609.63

- Class Supplies: 52%
- Sponsorships: 14%
- Volunteer Care: 13%
- Admin Costs: 3%
- Local Staff: 8%
- Repairs & Maint: 4%
- Utility Bills: 5%
- Transportation: 0%
Thank You!

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