

# STARTING A SPF BRANCH



**Students' Philanthropic  
Foundation**



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# SPF Mission & Vision

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Our mission at SPF is to support the education of children and youths in South America and Asia through student-led fundraising and by working together closely with Plan International as a trustee foundation. We aim to involve as many students as possible in philanthropic work, channeling the expertise, creativity, and effort of a diverse and motivated group of individuals to create long-term impact around the globe.



Our vision is to drastically reduce extreme poverty and hardship in the regions we support. We recognize that education is the key determinant of economic prosperity and hope to act as a catalyst for the continuous improvement of quality of life and human development. Additionally, our aim is to develop SPF into a global charity that is a central point of reference for students that want to get involved in philanthropic work and inspire them to work for a greater good wherever and whenever possible.



# About SPF

## What is SPF?

The Students' Philanthropic Foundation (SPF) aims to alleviate poverty and hardship in South America and Asia through educational projects. To achieve this goal, SPF works in cooperation with Plan International, an internationally renowned charity organization. SPF acts as trustee foundation and is recognized as charitable by the German finance ministry according to §51,59, 60 and 61 AO.

## History

SPF was founded in 2015 by students of the International School Frankfurt and after two years of fundraising, SPF accumulated enough donations to become an official trustee foundation. SPF continues to expand and now has branches at excellent academic institutions around the world.

## Global Board

As a trustee foundation, SPF has a worldwide leadership team, referred to as its Global Board. The Global Board is responsible for all operational decisions of the foundation, coordinates among and between branches and seeks to expand SPF's branch network and global fundraising. Successful branch members can apply to the SPF Global Board.



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# Project Overview

## Current Project:

### Protecting Victims of Child Trafficking in the Philippines



#### PROJECT GOAL:

Improved employment opportunities and higher income for young women and men



#### PROJECT REGION:

La Paz and Tarija



#### PROJECT TIME PERIOD:

November 2014 - September 2018



#### MEASURES TAKEN:

- Professional training for 830 young women and men
- Promote the creation of small enterprises
- Sensitise women towards their rights and teach them about sexual and reproductive health

## Past Project:

### Employment for Bolivian Youths



#### PROJECT GOAL:

Support the victims of child trafficking and reintegrate child victims into society.



#### PROJECT REGION:

Eastern Visayas, Mindanao and Caraga



#### PROJECT TIME PERIOD:

November 2017 - October 2020



#### MEASURES TAKEN:

- Expansion and set-up of a psychological care center
- Reintegration into school and financial support for children returning to school in the form of paid travel expenses, school uniforms and school supplies
- Additional vocational training for 20 adolescents



# Branches Overview





# Why join SPF?

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**Help improve the quality of life of youths around the world** by giving them access to education and vocational training as a way to escape poverty



Join an **officially registered charity that is a trustee of Plan International** and has maximum impact, since 100% of donations are used for the projects and the use of funds is very transparent



Join a **network of likeminded and motivated students at excellent academic institutions** around the world that are connected by a common cause



**Develop your organizational, communication and team work skills** by working on fundraisers, outreach and marketing



**Possibility of joining the SPF Global Board** and directly influencing which projects are supported with the funds raised



# Procedure SPF Branch Setup

## Contact with Head of Strategy

- Contact with Head of Strategy
- Receive Welcome Packet with Info about SPF, Templates, Guidelines and Roll Divisions
- Setup call for briefing, communication in form of monthly calls and weekly messages

## Member Recruitment

- Begin branch setup by recruiting at least three members and dividing responsibilities
- If possible, get official recognition from school/ university (not necessary)
- Use social media to establish presence of branch

## Fundraising

- Start fundraising events at respective location, for instance bakesales, charity parties, CV workshops
- Organize and coordinate funds transfer, working closely with Global Board

## Advocacy & Extra Features

- Potential to organize speaker and advocacy events
- As branch become more autonomous, transition to Global Board
- Choose own projects that branch wants to support



# Frequently Asked Questions

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## How will I transfer the donations from my branch to the SPF account?

Ideally there is a designated treasurer (potentially the President or Head of Finance) that collects the donations in cash and then sends them to the SPF Bank Account on a regular basis (i.e. monthly). In schools the treasurer should be the CAS/IB advisor or a parent of the parents of the SPF members.

## Who is my contact person for questions regarding ...?

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## How can I join the SPF Global Board?

Members of the SPF Global Board previously worked at a SPF branch, ideally in a leadership position, and were chosen by the Global Board.

## Where is SPF registered?

SPF is registered with the German finance ministry as a sheltered foundation of Plan International.

## How much time commitment is expected of me?

All SPF members commit around 1-5 hours a week, depending on their position, but all members are expected to complete their tasks by given deadlines.

## Why did you pick South America and Asia as focus regions?

Many charitable projects target African countries due to the severe poverty and hardship there. This often causes other regions, such as South America and Asia, to be forgotten about, although there are a lot of pressing issues there too.

## What is involved in setting up a SPF branch?

Setting up a branch involves close contact with the Global Head of Strategy, recruiting members, maintaining the local SPF social media presence, fundraising and ensuring the continuation of SPF for future years.

## How much contact will I have with the Global Board?

It depends on how much help you need and how much contact you seek. The Global Board is always available for all questions that SPF members may have.



# Appendix A: Bolivia Project



## Employment for Bolivian Youths



### Why Bolivia?

Bolivia is South America's poorest country where 60.1% of the population lives in poverty with no access to clean water. Particularly in rural areas, vocational opportunities are very limited and child labor is often still common. In urban areas, many young people are employed in precarious jobs that frequently harm their health. Bolivia's core industries of mining, forestry and agriculture are increasingly threatened by climate change and resource depletion, creating additional need for change. Vocational training and education is hence urgently needed to allow Bolivia's youth to find employment.

### Our Project and Goals

For this project, SPF partners with Plan International, an organization with local presence and expertise. Together, we help young women and men aged 15 to 24 improve their professional skills. 830 young adults - 60 % of them women - from a total of five communities in the La Paz and Tarija regions benefit directly from measures undertaken. The project centers around vocational training, apprenticeships and internships. These enable the individuals to find well-paid and secure jobs. We also provide training for 'green jobs' to increase sustainability.



### Project Region:

La Paz and Tarija

### Project Time Period:

November 2015 – September 2018

### Project Goal:

Improved employment opportunities and higher income for young women and men

### Measures Taken:

Professional training for 830 youths

Supporting creation of enterprises

Promoting women's rights and health

## Ensuring Project Success

### Study of the regional labor market and the situation of women

At the beginning of the project, a labor market survey to gain an overview of the companies and potential employers in the region was conducted. Subsequently, the personnel requirements of the companies were compared with the needs and knowledge job-seeking young women and men. At the same time, the study also explored new business areas such as tourism and lithium production which were expected to grow in the future. A gender analysis was carried out with the aim to improve the social position of young women through project activities.

### Prepare youths for professional life

Based on the labor market study, a professional training curriculum was then designed. 498 women and 332 men are currently in the process of undergoing professional training which provides them with important social and economic skills for working life. In the program, they learn to act self-confidently, meet deadlines and agreements and set goals. In addition, participants familiarize themselves with the basics of employment law and financial management. At the end of the training, participants receive diplomas certifying their qualifications. In order to facilitate their entry into the labor market, 250 young people are expected to complete a three-month internship in a local or regional company. An expense allowance, which they receive during this time, covers their costs for travel and meals.



During training the young people acquire important social and economic skills.

### Strengthen the rights of women

As part of the professional training, the participants also question the existing power relations between men and women. Together, they develop methods that enable them to work for gender equality in everyday life. Women also focus on aspects of sexual and reproductive health.

### Promotion of startups & family businesses

The implementation of individual business ideas is constantly supported - above all in ecologically sustainable occupational fields. Participants learn which investments are needed and how to carry out the necessary calculations. They also gain access to small loans and acquire a basic knowledge of financial planning. In the project communities, at least two independent companies are to be created.

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# Appendix B: Philippines Project



## Protecting Victims of Child Trafficking in the Philippines

### Background: Why the Philippines?

A quarter of the population in the Philippines lives below the national poverty line, so a lot of children drop out of school and have to work at a young age. Due to financial hardship, many children are also given away by their families and fall victim to child traffickers, who abduct them as forced laborers or sex workers. A shocking 60,000 to 100,000 children are forced into prostitution in the Philippines each year and young girls are particularly at risk.

### The Project

The project we support is a component of the wider initiative Stop Child Trafficking! which aims to protect children from human trafficking in 24 villages and towns in the Eastern Visayas, Mindanao and Caraga. Victims of child trafficking receive help to process their traumatic experiences and are given educational prospects. Around 80,000 children and adolescents will benefit from the initiative, especially girls, who are very vulnerable to being abducted as sex workers.

**Philippines**  
Local Office  
Project Locations

MANILA  
Occidental Mindoro  
Masbate  
Samar North  
Samar West  
Samar East  
Central Mindanao

**Project Region:**  
Eastern Visayas, Mindanao and Caraga

**Project Time Period:**  
November 2017 – October 2020

**Project Goal:**  
Support victims of child trafficking and reintegrate them into society

**Measures Taken:**

- Expansion of psychological care center
- Vocational training for 20 adolescents
- Reintegration into school and financial support for children returning to school in the form of paid travel expenses, school uniforms and school supplies

# Procedures

## Set-up of a care center

In many cases, victims of child trafficking can't return home after being rescued because their legal guardians are unlocatable or because the victims' families were involved in the children's abduction. For these reasons, care centers are essential to provide care for the traumatized children. There, children receive psychological help and learn to cope with their horrendous experiences. In Cagayan de Oro, Mindanao, five such centers are run by civic organizations, while in the Eastern Visayas, it is the Ministry of Social Affairs that runs multiple care centers, especially for girls.

After thoroughly analyzing the needs of these care centers, one of them will receive special support to improve the living environment of the traumatized children that are brought there. For example, bedrooms and sanitary facilities will be renovated, and special emphasis will be placed on the needs of girls. The care center will also be provided with the necessary infrastructure that will allow children to speak to psychologists about their experiences in a safe environment.



## Preparations for children's daily life

Children, who are able to return to school after psychological counseling, receive financial support that covers travel expenses, school uniforms and school supplies. The measures address the children's needs and facilitate their reintegration into school and society. After finishing school, twenty adolescents are given the opportunity to undergo vocational training or schooling on how to set up their own microenterprises. These trainings make it possible for former victims to be financially independent, thereby reducing the risk of being exploited again.

## Evaluation

For the duration of the project there are regular meetings with all stakeholders. The progress of the project is discussed, experiences are exchanged and necessary corrections are made. On the basis of the data collected at the start of the project, a detailed evaluation will be carried out after completion.



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