

# Kids International Development Society

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Creating better futures for children and families.



2020 ANNUAL REPORT

## Our Vision

To create a ripple of growing good in the world by supporting positive change for children and families in developing countries in South East Asia.

## OUR Mission

To contribute to equitable opportunities for children and families by investing in education, clean drinking water, healthcare, community development and support.

## WE Value

Caring, inclusion, flexibility, partnerships, responsiveness, compassion, transparency, collaboration and accountability.

## OUR Goals

- To focus projects directly on helping children and families.
- To create a community of caring, committed and informed donors who are directly involved in improving the lives of children and families.
- To raise awareness about poverty and the needs of children and families living in developing countries.
- To raise funds and ensure the funds go directly towards helping children and families.
- To stay flexible and open to the needs of children, families and communities and develop projects on the assessment of need.

## OUR History

After the tragic loss of their beloved daughter, Danielle, Rick Lennert and Adrienne Dartnall decided to spend 3 to 4 months each year traveling to S. E. Asia to assist children and families living in poverty. For the past twenty years they have volunteered in India, Myanmar/Burma, Cambodia, Nepal, Vietnam and on the Myanmar/Thailand border, helping to create better lives for children and families. The pain and suffering they saw inspired them to make a difference in children's lives.

In 2004 Kids International Development Society (K.I.D.S) was formed. As a result of much hard work, a dedicated Board of Directors and a groundswell of support, K.I.D.S became a Canadian Registered Charitable Organization in 2008. Throughout this time K.I.D.S has actively raised funds with the incredible support of friends, foundations and local schools and as a result is able to provide clean drinking water, medicine, clinics, schools, educational supplies and other much needed resources to those in need. Additionally, K.I.D.S supports local grass roots organizations that work tirelessly to provide health, education, training and housing for women, children and families.

# A Message From K.I.D.S Co Founders

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Dear Friends and Supporters,

On behalf of all of us at K.I.D.S., we would like to sincerely thank everyone for your support. Thanks to the unwavering dedication and generosity of our donors, volunteers, board of directors, businesses and foundations it has been another year of bringing healthcare, education, family support, clean drinking water and hope to children and families facing very challenging situations in Cambodia and Nepal.

Thanks to your support, it is our privilege each year to work with local schools, village chiefs, builders, healthcare professionals and program and project managers who are committed to bringing positive social change to their communities and to breaking the cycle of poverty and child labour. We are also inspired by the young people from our local Canadian communities who work with us in creating awareness about social justice and global citizenship.

We began volunteering in India, Cambodia and other countries in S.E. Asia. We would never have believed that we could go from painting schools to building schools, from buying a computer for a teacher to putting in computer labs so hundreds of students could learn technology, from digging a small family well to providing thousands of people with clean drinking water, and from buying medicine for children to building health clinics that aid the underserved. It has been a gift to watch the progress of kids who worked labouring in brick factories who are now electricians, engineers, teachers and work in hospitality. Together, we have been able to change lives and futures for the better.

As we move forward into this next year, we are all facing very challenging times. The COVID 19 global pandemic has brought pain and suffering to so many on our planet. People in developing countries have to face a lack of employment, poverty, lack of medication and healthcare. They do not have any safety nets, such as food banks, free healthcare or social assistance. K.I.D.S. is working hard to support the communities we work with in order to assist them in surviving these challenging times. Thanks for your kindness, empathy and generosity.

Wishing you and yours all the very best,  
Adrienne Dartnall and Rick Lennert





# Education and Training

In the long term, education reduces poverty, and it improves economic growth and income. In many developing countries, few children graduate from secondary school. Child labour, in factories, remains a big problem, especially in brick factory locales. K.I.D.S. is dedicated to supporting education and breaking the cycle of poverty and child labour by: building classrooms, providing English programs and computer programs. K.I.D.S. supports children with books, bikes, uniforms and backpacks so they can get to school and remain in school. We also support young people by helping them to attend vocational and post-secondary education programs.

## Smart Kids and Rural Sponsorship Programs

We provide English lessons, tutoring, educational material and school fees. Some students have now graduated from post-secondary training programs and university and have gone on to find decent paying jobs and careers.



## Bicycles

Many students live in rural areas and have to walk long distances to school. A simple bicycle can make the difference between getting an education or not. Each year, K.I.D.S. buys hundreds of bicycles for students so they can get to school. The families can also use the bicycle for getting to clinics or markets.





## Backpacks and Books

Many families cannot afford to buy books, uniforms or backpacks for their children. Each year, we supply students with the essentials they need to assist them in getting an education. We visit schools and give out supplies to those young people that cannot afford the educational basics.



## Computer Labs

This past year, we were able to provide three high schools with computer labs. In the present global economy, it is difficult to further education or find a job without knowing how to access technology via computers. Giving young people the opportunity to learn computer skills enhances their future opportunities both for work and to further their education. Each day, hundreds of students can now cycle through computer classes.





## Helping Schools

Many of the schools we support are in rural areas and poor villages. Often the schools do not have enough classrooms to provide children in the area with an education or the schools are extremely run down. Over the years, K.I.D.S. has built classrooms, libraries, playgrounds, and floating schools. This past year we were able to paint four classrooms for a primary school. We did this thanks to Health Role Models (HRM), Nanaimo. Sarah Gilks (founder and owner of Healthy Role Models), her daughter, husband and nine women from the program joined us in Cambodia to paint classrooms and support the building of a playground. Not only did they provide a better environment for the students to learn, they brought a lot of joy to the students and the community at large. Over several years, HRM women have generously supported, houses, clean water, bathrooms and classrooms.



## English and Nutrition



Each evening, 30 children gather under Sohing's house in the village to learn English. It is a safe place where young people come to learn, play and eat a hot nutritious meal. These children often have limited food available at their homes. K.I.D.S. supports the English program and the food program that Sohing and her family provide for the kids.



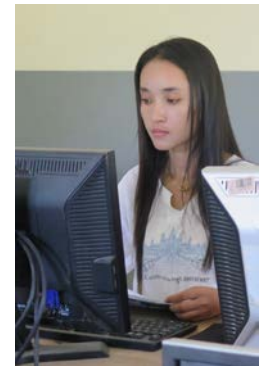
# Supporting Women's Training Programs

## Stung Treng Women's Weaving Training Program

Stung Treng Women's Development Centre focuses on training women to weave silk products that are sold around the world. The women receive a decent living wage, emotional support, free health care and maternity leave at the Centre. It is often difficult for women to work when they have young children. K.I.D.S. provides their children and other local village children with a progressive and creative early childhood education, hot lunches and a hygiene program.



The children play and learn while their mothers work to help provide for their families. Women also have access to the free computer training program that K.I.D.S. funds for the community at the centre.



## Women's Education and Literacy in Nepal

KIDS is pleased to partner with Women's Education and Literacy Nepal (WELNepal), with whom, in previous years, we have supported libraries, mushroom cultivation and reading glasses. This past year supported a women's sewing training program. The women learn sewing skills and they also can take home and share a sewing machine. Some of the women are sewing school uniforms and making clothes for their local communities.



# Clean Drinking Water and Toilets

More than 3 million people in Cambodia lack access to safe water, and 6 million lack access to sanitation. Many ponds or open wells, breeding grounds for mosquitos, are contaminated with human waste, contaminants like arsenic and E. coli bacteria. K.I.D.S. is committed to bringing clean drinking water and hygiene to rural villages and communities. We are pleased to say that, thanks to our donors, we were able to provide three more communities with clean drinking water systems, as well as several family toilets/bathrooms. Together we are improving these people's lives. Our team places the drinking water systems at schools so children can drink as much as they want and their families can have access to clean water as well. K.I.D.S. now has over 50,000 people able to access clean water.



Bathrooms bring dignity and safety to girls and families as well as providing an area for families to do their laundry. Each year, K.I.D.S. builds bathrooms for the families of children in our education programs. The families often share their bathroom with their neighbours.





# Family Support

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## Family Housing

Many of the families of the children and youth in our sponsorship program face extreme poverty on a daily basis. Each year we raise funds to provide some with a simple decent housing. These families are grateful to have an actual house rather than a shack, which often does not even have a floor. To observe the difference a house makes in these families' lives is incredibly rewarding. We also put solar panels on the houses so the families have power to charge batteries and lights; this also facilitates the children's study in the evenings.





# Health Care and Nutrition

The Tonle Sap is the largest freshwater lake in South East Asia. The lake serves as home to some of the poorest and most remote villages in Cambodia. Over 1 million people live on and around the lake. The majority of families rely on subsistence fishing for survival and the average family income is \$2.50 per day. A lack of education, combined with limited access to hygiene and sanitation, contributes to a huge burden of preventable diseases. There are no health centers or hospitals on the lake.



Many years ago, K.I.D.S. funded the first floating clinic. Since that time, there are now three more clinics serving the underserved on the lake and the Stung Sen River. The Lake Clinic staff consists of doctors, nurses/midwives, a dental hygienist, a cook and a boat driver. Each week the staff team travels long distances by bus and boat to serve the underserved. Each year KIDS continues to support this life-saving program by providing a salary for one or two of the midwives/nurses. We also support building infrastructure such as water filters, solar panels and repairs to the clinics. This is an amazing program with an amazing team and we are proud, that thanks to our donors, that we can support the health and welfare of children and families facing incredible odds.





# Kids Helping K.I.D.S.

KIDS partners with local schools to explore social justice and global citizenship. It is rewarding to engage with young people and give presentations to classes about the work we do, and inspiring to see young people learning about social issues, both globally and locally, as they learn to turn their empathy into action. The students and other children in our community raise funds for children living and going to school in Cambodia by doing bake sales, playing music, donating birthday money and having bottle drives. We do presentations so the kids know the difference they are making in other children's lives.



## Foundations and Businesses who Generously Support K.I.D.S.

The support K.I.D.S. is able to provide is thanks to many donors, businesses and foundations. We are immensely grateful to have these businesses and foundations partner with us to improve the lives of children, families and communities on many levels.

Ames Family Foundation  
Anonymous Foundation  
Compassionate Eye Foundation  
CW Asia Foundation  
Cedrick's Café Crofton  
Home Hardware Brooks Landing  
Healthy Role Models  
KKP Printing  
Mazzei Electric  
Peter Gilgan Foundation  
RBC Dominion Securities  
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# Thanks To Our Annual Wine and Wrap Fundraiser Volunteers and Contributors

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Each year we have our annual fundraiser, a gathering for generous people, at the Nanaimo Conference Centre. Thank you to the many volunteers, local artists, artisans, businesses, service providers, and musicians who create an inspirational evening of kindness. The proceeds from the event bring clean drinking water, education, healthcare and support and to thousands of children and their families.



## Thanks to Our Dedicated Board of Directors and Staff

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### **Rick Lennert - President/K.I.D.S. Co-Founder**

Rick Lennert works for himself as a contractor and renovator. Rick has spent the past 36 years working as a builder, fisherman and a boat builder. Rick volunteers three to four months every year to assist children and families living in poverty in S.E. Asia. Rick also volunteers in his home community.



### **Robyn Kemp – Vice President**

Robyn Kemp is a retired teacher/counsellor from the Nanaimo-Ladysmith school district. She has served as a board director with the Nanaimo Child Development Centre and the Moorecroft Camp Society. Over the past 6 years she has focused on creating awareness of the educational needs of children in South East Asia and encouraging partnerships with youth, teachers and schools in our community. She has worked in the field on behalf of KIDS and has been a key-volunteer in the annual fundraising events





**Pam Botterill - Treasurer**

Pam Botterill - works at Vancouver Island University as Aboriginal Outreach Coordinator. She joined the KIDS Board of Directors in 2008. Pam has completed her Masters in Professional Communication at Royal Roads University.



**Paula Beltgens - Secretary** Paula Beltgens has been a consultant, adult educator, researcher and facilitator in Canada and internationally since the late '80s. She has worked with community-based and government agencies, academic institutions, Aboriginal organizations, and with several United Nations programs, including the Department of Peacekeeping Operations. She has supported planning, learning and evaluation activities in a broad variety of contexts including gender equality, child protection, environmental protection, workplace safety, and mental health and substance use services. She has also worked with many First Nations communities on resource information management and traditional use studies for land use planning and educational initiatives. Paula was an associate faculty member with Royal Roads University for eight years and currently holds a position as a knowledge exchange manager with Island Health.

**Ashleigh Martinflatt**

Ashleigh Martinflatt has worked in the social work and child and youth care field for over 14 years in British Columbia and Ontario. She has a Bachelor's degree in Child and Youth Care and a Master's Degree in Social Work. She is a full-time faculty member at Vancouver Island University teaching in the child and youth care and social work programs. Ashleigh also works with children, youth and families in the community and is committed to the health and well-being of children locally and internationally. She is honored to be connected to the KIDS organization and being a part of this positive change.

**Dave Frances**

Dave is a semi-retired homebuilder, developer, and investor. He has served on various boards including the Urban Development Institute, VIU Foundation and the United Way. He has also fundraised for a number of local organizations including Haven Society. He is honored to be a member of the K.I.D.S board.

**Erin McCammon**

Born in North Vancouver and raised in Nanaimo, Erin has strong ties to our community. She grew up participating in the Girl Guides of Canada program from age 6, and once old enough, became a leader and mentored girls for a number of years. Erin graduated from Vancouver Island University in 2006 and quickly earned her Chartered Professional Accountant designation just two years later. Erin is now a partner in Johnston and Johnston and Associates Ltd, as well as a mother of two young girls. She joined K.I.D.S in the fall of 2017, and is excited to be part of our team.

**Adrianne Dartnall - K.I.D.S Co-Founder Executive Director**

Adrianne Dartnall has worked in the Human Services field for over 40 years. During this time, she has been a Counselor, Child and Youth Care Worker, Trainer, Program Developer and Practicum Coordinator. Adrianne has worked in Schools, Non-profit Organizations and at Vancouver Island University, formerly Malaspina University College, in the Faculty of Health and Human Services. Through her career she has served on a variety of Boards of Directors. For the past sixteen years Adrianne and her husband Rick have dedicated three to four months a year to assisting children and families living in poverty in S.E. Asia. At present Adrianne dedicates her time to supporting K.I.D.S



**KIDS INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT SOCIETY**

**Financial Statements**

**Year Ended March 31, 2020**

*(Unaudited - See Notice To Reader)*



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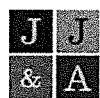
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### NOTICE TO READER

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On the basis of information provided by management, we have compiled the statement of financial position of KIDS International Development Society as at March 31, 2020 and the statements of changes in net assets and revenues and expenditures for the year then ended.

We have not performed an audit or a review engagement in respect of these financial statements and, accordingly, we express no assurance thereon.

Readers are cautioned that these statements may not be appropriate for their purposes.

*Johnston Johnston & Associates*

Nanaimo, BC  
October 20, 2020

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KIDS INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT SOCIETY

Statement of Financial Position

March 31, 2020

(Unaudited - See Notice To Reader)

	2020	2019
<b>ASSETS</b>		
<b>CURRENT</b>		
Cash	\$ 90,440	\$ 50,917
Accounts receivable	-	401
Prepaid expenses	7,035	19,896
	<u>\$ 97,475</u>	<u>\$ 71,214</u>
<b>LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS</b>		
<b>CURRENT</b>		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ -	\$ 1
Source deductions payable	331	3,506
	<u>331</u>	<u>3,507</u>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		
General fund	17,482	5,776
Internally restricted - note 3	79,662	61,931
	<u>97,144</u>	<u>67,707</u>
	<u>\$ 97,475</u>	<u>\$ 71,214</u>

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD

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Director

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Director

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

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# KIDS INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT SOCIETY

## Statement of Changes in Net Assets

Year Ended March 31, 2020

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	General Fund	Internally Restricted <i>note 3</i>	2020	2019
NET ASSETS - BEGINNING OF YEAR	\$ 5,776	\$ 61,931	\$ 67,707	\$ 80,509
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES	29,437	-	29,437	(12,802)
TRANSFERS	(17,731)	17,731	-	-
NET ASSETS - END OF YEAR	\$ 17,482	\$ 79,662	\$ 97,144	\$ 67,707

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**KIDS INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT SOCIETY****Statement of Revenues and Expenditures****Year Ended March 31, 2020***(Unaudited - See Notice To Reader)*

	2020	2019
<b>REVENUES</b>		
Donation income	\$ 350,629	\$ 388,409
Fundraising income	82,623	80,588
Interest income	6	16
	<u>433,258</u>	<u>469,013</u>
<b>DIRECT PROGRAM COSTS</b>		
Accommodation	1,725	2,678
Airfare	2,643	3,049
Education supplies and project costs	178,457	284,827
Family support	35,709	24,826
Girls home costs	34,792	36,076
Medical supplies and support	42,118	54,304
Program wages	20,189	20,054
Transportation	2,154	3,185
Water systems	37,006	16,149
	<u>354,793</u>	<u>445,148</u>
<b>GENERAL EXPENSES</b>		
Administrative wages	29,162	28,967
Advertising and promotion	1,884	1,780
Fundraising costs	21,111	18,176
Office	595	1,226
	<u>52,752</u>	<u>50,149</u>
<b>EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES FROM OPERATIONS</b>	25,713	(26,284)
<b>FOREIGN EXCHANGE GAIN</b>	<u>3,724</u>	<u>13,482</u>
<b>EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES</b>	<u>\$ 29,437</u>	<u>\$ (12,802)</u>

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# KIDS INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT SOCIETY

## Notes to Financial Statements

Year Ended March 31, 2020

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### 1. DESCRIPTION OF OPERATIONS

KIDS International Development Society (the "society") is a not-for-profit organization incorporated provincially under the Society Act of British Columbia on November 26, 2004. As a registered charity the society is exempt from the payment of income tax under Section 149(1) of the Income Tax Act.

The purpose of KIDS International Development Society is to assist communities in developing countries to meet their basic needs including housing, drinking water, medicine, schools, educational supplies and transportation. The society is incorporated as a not-for-profit organization under the Society Act of British Columbia and is a registered charity.

### 2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### Basis of presentation

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the following accounting policies.

#### Fund accounting

KIDS International Development Society follows the restricted fund method of accounting for contributions.

The General Fund accounts for the society's program delivery and administrative activities. This fund reports unrestricted resources and restricted operating grants.

The Internally Restricted Fund reports project funding commitments.

#### Cash equivalents

Cash includes cash and cash equivalents. Cash equivalents are comprised of investments with maturities of one year or less from the date of acquisition.

#### Revenue recognition

The society recognizes revenues as follows:

- contributions are recorded as revenue when received or receivable if the amount can be estimated and collectibility is reasonably assured;



# KIDS INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT SOCIETY

## Notes to Financial Statements

Year Ended March 31, 2020

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### 3. NET ASSETS - INTERNALLY RESTRICTED

A portion of the net assets have been internally restricted in order to meet project commitments to December 31, 2020 as follows.

	2020	2019
Stung Treng Women's Development Center preschool and kindergarten operating costs	\$ 30,782	\$ 26,841
Girl's home costs	33,129	24,837
Teachers' salaries	11,903	10,253
English classes	3,848	-
	<u>\$ 79,662</u>	<u>\$ 61,931</u>