



LASALLIAN  
FOUNDATION  
POSITIVE CHANGE

# YOU CAN ACHIEVE SO MUCH – WITH AN ENDOWMENT

The future of so many children may seem hopeless  
but together we can lift them out of poverty



## WHAT WOULD YOU DO IF MIRIAM LIVED NEXT DOOR TO YOU?

Would you close your eyes to the poverty and disadvantage of your neighbour?

Don't worry. Miriam\* does not live right next door to you.

But she does exist.

She's from the same global village as you. Except she's from the desperately poor side of the street.

In the Asia Pacific region:

- Hers is the face of millions of poor children
- She is denied basic human rights
- She is constantly hungry, tired, frightened, abused.

She is sent to work rather than school. Her only water supply is unreliable and she is exposed to preventable and treatable illness and disease.

**For Miriam, her only goal is survival.**

Front page: Boys from Mosavadi, India

Left: Miriam\*, from Tamil Nadu, India

\* name has been changed to protect the child's privacy



## WHAT IF YOU HAD THE POWER TO CHANGE MIRIAM'S LIFE?

You do have that power.

The power to help children like Miriam reach their full potential. The power to break the poverty cycle that keeps them undernourished and uneducated.

You have the power to take action.

You have the power to give Miriam a life-changing gift.

A gift that will provide her with vital residential care. A safe water supply, education and training. And the capacity to care for herself and her community.

**You have the power to help Miriam break the shackles of poverty.**

Left: Miriam\*, from Tamil Nadu, India



## **THE LASALLIAN FOUNDATION. A HISTORY OF DECISIVE ACTION FOR THE DISADVANTAGED.**

The Lasallian Foundation recognises the power of the individual to effect change.

The Lasallian Foundation follows the lead of 17th century priest and educator, John Baptist de La Salle. He was a man of strong conscience who was bothered by his family's wealth and advantage compared with the desperately poor people they lived amongst.

He left his very comfortable lifestyle to establish schools for the poor, illiterate children of Paris.

His legacy is now a network of non-denominational schools in 81 countries around the world, the majority targeting disadvantaged and marginalised children.

De La Salle was canonised as the Patron Saint of Teachers in 1900 for his visionary and innovation approach to education and his individual action is the guiding inspiration for the work of the Lasallian Foundation's Endowment Program.

Left: Girl from Leer, Southern Sudan



## **YOUR ENDOWMENT: A GIFT THAT KEEPS ON GIVING**

A gift to the Lasallian Foundation Endowment Program is a direct investment in the life of a disadvantaged child.

Your gift is fully tax deductible. Your endowment contributions are invested to create perpetual funding for vital projects.

The Lasallian Foundation is an approved overseas aid foundation. Your endowment is managed by Perpetual Trustees Limited. They manage regulatory compliance, reporting, administration, annual accounts, auditing, investment and distribution of funds.

You determine the frequency of contributions. And you can choose the priority projects or countries you wish to support.

Left: Children from Inabui Village, PNG



## YOUR ENDOWMENT. SUSTAINABLE AND LIFE-CHANGING.

The children really are our future. But what will the future hold if children like Miriam go without education, food or shelter?

Your Lasallian Foundation Endowment will go towards creating a viable and sustainable future for impoverished children. You can empower whole communities. Give villagers new opportunities and new hope.

Your endowment will help deliver:

- the literacy and numeracy that schooling provides
- training and youth development
- programs for abandoned and orphaned children
- human rights education and protection programs
- sanitation and clean drinking water.

Our local partners deliver tangible outcomes for the hopelessly poor and disadvantaged.

Your endowment is a tremendous opportunity to make a legacy that will touch lives forever.

With compassion and support from people like you, we can make a difference.

Left: Students from Lasallian Community Education Services (LCES) Preschools, Colombo, Sri Lanka



## EVERY ACTION MAKES A DIFFERENCE.

Every action you take now is significant to the life of another.

Consider the action of this young man...

At the beach one day, a wise man saw a young man picking up starfish and gently throwing them back into the water. "Why are you doing that?" asked the old man.

The young man replied, "the sun is up and the tide is going out and if I don't throw them back, they'll die."

"But young man, don't you realise the beach goes on for miles and miles? There are countless starfish all along it. You can't possibly make a difference."

The young man simply bent down and picked up another starfish and threw it back into the sea past the breaking waves. And then he said, "it made a difference to that one."

Left: Children from Warispura, Pakistan



## **IF NOT NOW, WHEN? IF NOT YOU, WHO?**

Starting with as little as \$2000 and building to a minimum of \$10,000 in three years, your endowment will provide a sustainable source of funding for positive change.

Yes, this is a major gift. And it will deliver a major impact.

The effect of your generosity on a child like Miriam is life-changing.

And remember, every contribution to your endowment is fully tax deductible. You, your family or friends can also make additional donations to your endowment at any time.

Please consider establishing an endowment with the Lasallian Foundation. Your investment is in safe hands. And the consequences of your perpetual gift will be far-reaching.

The Lasallian Foundation was founded on the generosity and benevolence of people like you. People with the power to act. People opposed to inequity and disadvantage.

If the children are to have a future, they need help from people like you.

Left: Burmese refugee boy at Bamboo School, Thailand

# LASALLIAN FOUNDATION ENDOWMENT PROGRAM

**Yes, I want to make a gift that gives forever!**

I would like to establish a Lasallian Foundation Endowment

**Type of endowment:**

Personal or family     Corporate or business

Title ..... Name ..... Surname .....

Business name .....

Address .....

..... State ..... Postcode.....

Ph (hm) ..... Ph (wk) ..... Mobile .....

Email.....

**My initial pledge:**

\$2,000     \$5,000     \$10,000     Other.....

**Frequency:**

Yearly     Half yearly     Quarterly     Monthly

Project priorities (optional) .....

Name of fund .....

Please tick if you wish to remain anonymous

Signature of Donor ..... Date .....

**Thank you for your generous commitment.**

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