"A world where everyone has a chance not only to survive, but also to thrive"

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Presentation

FXB International is a non-governmental organization that has been fighting extreme poverty and social injustice since 1989. Each of our programs is a response to the implementation - in the daily life of children - of their rights as defined by the Convention on the Rights of the Child, adopted by the United Nations General Assembly on November 20, 1989. Our programs also contribute to the achievement of Sustainable Development Goals, which aim to eliminate extreme poverty by 2030.

OUR ORIGINS

FXB is named after François-Xavier Bagnoud, a helicopter pilot specialized in rescue operations. Having dedicated his short life to assisting others, he tragically passed away during a heliborne operation in the Malian desert at the age of 24. In 1989, along with the help of family and friends, his mother Albina du Boisrouvray founded the François-Xavier Bagnoud Association (FXB) in order to carry out rescue missions in the field of development and thus perpetuate the values of generosity and compassion that guided his life.

OUR VISION

A world where everyone has a chance not only to survive, but also to thrive.

OUR APPROACH

Each of our programs is thoughtfully designed to address the multidimensional causes of extreme poverty or social injustice. We ensure that our solutions are tailored to the specific problems of the vulnerable communities and individuals we serve. Our goal is to move beyond the symptoms of poverty in order to tackle root causes and support communities on their path to sustainable development.

OUR MISSION

To eradicate extreme poverty, promote social justice, and bring about lasting change in the countries where we operate.

WHAT WE DO?

Focused on 5 strategic pillars, FXB develops programs that promote respect for social justice and fundamental human rights. Our activities strengthen the capacity for action and contribute to the development of the communities in which we work.

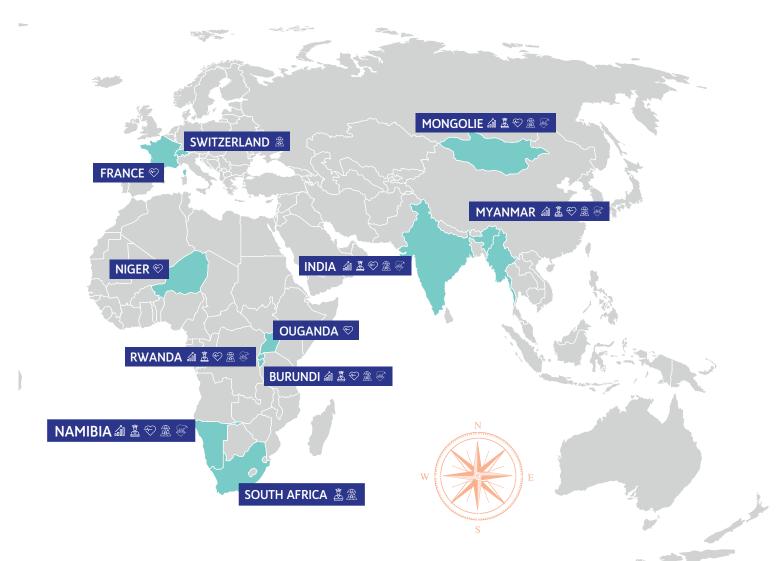
WHERE WE WORK?

BURUNDI, NAMIBIA, NIGER, RWANDA, SOUTH AFRICA, UGANDA, GAZA, FRANCE, INDIA, MONGOLIA, MYANMAR, SWITZERLAND AND THE USA..

With a team of 350 employees, FXB currently operates in 12 countries..

OUR RESULTS

Since 1989, 18 million adults and children in twenty countries have benefited from FXB's presence in their communities thanks to economic and community development through the FXBVillage, Education and WASH programs, as well as activities related to infrastructure rehabilitation and to extensive HIV/ AIDS and human trafficking prevention campaigns. FXB*



Our 5 areas of focus

- Economic and Community Development FXBVillage (Graduation approach)
- **Education**
- Nutrition, Health and WASH
 (Water, Sanitation and Hygiene)
- Protection
- 🥰 Climate Change

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Economic and community development – FXBVillage



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CONTEXT

With more than 700 million people living on less than \$1.90 a day, the COVID-19 pandemic could push an additional 100 million people into extreme poverty.

OUR ASSESSMENT

Poverty is multidimensional. It is more than the inability to ensure a sustainable livelihood due to lack of income and resources. Those living in poverty face a variety of complex challenges, including malnutrition, lack of clean drinking water, limited access to education and information, disease, poor housing and environmental conditions, social discrimination and exclusion, and adverse climatic conditions.

THE STRENGTH OF OUR APPROACH: addressing the multiple causes of extreme poverty

Addressing the issue of income is not enough! Tackling only one of poverty's causes, through partial aid, is an insufficient solution to sustainably overcome it.

Our success is based on our innovative FXBVillage Community and Economic Development model, which was initiated in 1991.

Poverty, hunger, disease, stigmatization and illiteracy form a vicious circle that is difficult to break. This approach is at the heart of FXB's DNA.



WHAT IS THE FXBVILLAGE MODEL?

In place since 1991, the FXBVillage model is a holistic approach to poverty reduction. It aims to concurrently address 5 underlying factors: economic poverty, malnutrition, lack of access to health care, lack of access to education and information, and unsanitary housing and environment.

Each of our programs connects around approximately 100 families who receive a sliding scale of support for three years: the time needed to move from extreme poverty to sustainable economic and social autonomy.

The fundamental pillar of our model is economic strength-

ening. Its main innovation is the donation of seed capital—in lieu of loans—thus allowing families to achieve economic autonomy. Families are also given training in business management and financial literacy, enabling them to start income-generating activities (microenterprises) and gradually earn enough money to meet their daily needs, facilitate their financial inclusion, and continue to prosper after the program ends.

Along with economic strengthening, FXB ensures that every family member has access to basic human rights through four additional pillars: food security, access to education and critical health & social information, access to adequate health services, and a healthy home & environment.

For FXB, combating poverty also means fighting against all forms of discrimination, particularly gender discrimination, in order to balance relations between men and women so that the latter, who are more exposed to poverty, can access the same economic and social opportunities.

The FXBVillage Model's 5 Strategic Pillars

1. Economic Strengthening

- Finance and business management skills development
- Participant mentoring for microenterprise start-up, development and diversification
- Savings, credit and support group creation

2. Education

- Early Childhood Development
- Schooling of children
- Vocational training
- Access to critical knowledge: women and children's rights, gender equality, etc.

3. Nutrition

- Emergency food support
- · Healthy family diet training
- Kitchen garden development

4. Health

- Counselling and health service referrals
- Family health management training
- Prevention of communicable diseases, including HIV/ AIDS
- Psychosocial support

5. Healthy housing and environment

- Housing rehabilitation
- Access to water, hygiene, sanitation and related training
- Improved cooking stove installation
- Promotion of sustainable energy and recycling
- Responsible management of crop and livestock systems
- Environmental protection awareness raising



THE STRENGTH OF OUR ACTION: ensuring sustainable autonomy

All dimensions of the FXBVillage program have been designed to ensure impact sustainability. FXB builds capacity, rather than creating dependency on external aid.

Through their work and commitment, participants ensure the sustainability of results on their quality of life.

At the heart of our model is the human being: we help each person express the potential that lies within. Thus, as our intervention progresses—and each participant's ability to meet the needs of his/her family grows—FXB's financial support gradually decreases.

100% family support 75% family support 50% family support Phase O (1 month): Behavioural change and overall Skills consolidation and Preparation for beneficiary Needs assessment: capacity building: project mentoring; overall capacity autonomy: mentoring and management, finance, health, building; microenterprise capacity building. partnership nutrition, hygiene, gender development and diversification. establishment; equality, climate change; staff enrolment and training microenterprise start-up.

90% OF BENEFICIARIES ACHIEVE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL AUTONOMY WITHIN 3 YEARS

IT IS POSSIBLE TO LIFT FAMILIES OUT OF EXTREME POVERTY!

THEORY OF CHANGE

ACTIVITIES	 Providing families with sustainable access to: food security health education and information housing and environmental sanitation. 	Providing families with management and financial literacy training, as well as a modest amount of seed capital to start a microenterprise.	Creating savings, credit and support groups.
RESULTS	 Vulnerabilities are reduced. Overall capacities are strengthened. Family resilience is built. 	 Project management and financial skills are acquired. Profitable microenterprises are launched. 	 Autonomous savings, credit and support groups become functional. Collective income-generating activities (i.e., cooperatives) are created.
IMPACTS	Families have access to basic services and can independently and sustainably meet their basic needs.	Family income and savings are increased. Economic capacity is strengthened.	

OBJECTIVE To lift families out of extreme poverty.

STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE A world where everyone has a chance not only to survive, but also to thrive. but also to thrive.



MEASURED RESULTS AND IMPACT: FXBVillage programs have lifted 10 people out of poverty every day for over 30 years

200 FXBVillage community and economic development programs have already been developed, lifting nearly 105,000 adults and children out of extreme poverty.

Four years after the program ends, approximately 86% of the families involved remain socially and economically independent. Their children attend school regularly, stay in school longer, and perform better than their peers. (Evaluation conducted by the Human Sciences Research Council.) Since the early 2000s, the impact of the FXBVillage model has been regularly evaluated by external organizations, such as the Human Sciences Research Council (South Africa), the Oxford Poverty & Human Development Initiative (UK), researchers from the Universities of Pennsylvania and Harvard (USA), and Le Group' - Consultants Mutualisés Experts du Secteur Solidaire (France).

Learn more about these evaluations at: www.fxb.org/external-impact-evaluations/

A SIGNIFICANT IMPACT ON THE ECONOMIC, HEALTH AND SOCIAL STATUS OF CHILDREN AND ADULTS HAS BEEN DEMONSTRATED.

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"Through the training I received in my FXBVillage program, I quickly realized that, like so many other women, I was being called upon to become a development actor."

THE STRENGTH OF OUR INTERVENTION: local and sustainable cooperation

Regardless of their position, nearly all FXB employees are local professionals. Our impact thus extends far beyond program participants, to local teams, their families and the broader community.

Our methodology involves working in collaboration with local stakeholders and associations to adapt our programs to social, cultural, economic and political realities and avoid duplicating aid in the field.



Whether through our VillageFXB programs or our dedicated programs, our goals are to promote inclusive education, strengthen life skills, foster vocational training opportunities, and build a culture of non-violence.



CONTEXT

More than 260 million children and adolescents, nearly one-fifth of the world's population in this age group, are currently out of school. In addition, more than half of all children and adolescents worldwide do not have basic reading and math skills.

OUR ASSESSMENT

In the last decade, major progress has been made in improving access to all levels of education and increasing school enrolment rates, especially for girls. Nevertheless, the consequences of the COVID-19 pandemic may jeopardize hard-won progress in improving the quality of education worldwide. Never in history have so many children been out of school at the same time. This situation has disrupted their learning and their lives, and this is especially true of the most vulnerable and marginalized children. Lack of a quality education is due to the shortage of properly trained teachers, poor school conditions, and equity issues related to opportunities for rural children. Achieving a quality education is the foundation for sustainable development and for improving people's lives. In addition to improving their quality of life, access to inclusive and equitable education helps equip local populations with the tools required to develop innovative solutions to the world's greatest problems.

Ensuring women and girls' equal access to education, health care, decent work and representation in political and economic decision-making processes will nurture sustainable economies, benefiting both societies and all of humanity.

Learn more about our projects dedicated to education at: www.fxb.org/what-we-do/education/

"EDUCATION IS THE MOST POWERFUL WEAPON YOU CAN USE TO CHANGE THE WORLD." NELSON MANDELA

Building the resilience of tomorrow's adults: After-school education and life skills development in South Africa

CONTEXT

South African youth face an inadequate education system that limits their ability to break out of the vicious cycle of poverty. Despite 20 years of democratic rule, the reality is that most black children, especially in the townships, continue to receive a poor-quality education, condemning them to stagnation in the lower class of South African society where poverty and unemployment are the norm. Indeed, a low-quality education denies young people access to a dignified future and negatively affects their self-esteem.



"Educators know how to motivate us when we face life's challenges. They teach us to take care of ourselves, to love and support one another. They taught me to appreciate life"

OUR ASSESSMENT

FXB runs several after-school education and life skills development programs in slums around Johannesburg and Witbank. These communities are characterized by high rates of unemployment, crime, violence, and HIV infection. Many of the children who we support are orphans. Our programs aim to limit the consequences of HIV/AIDS and poverty in the lives of our young participants, ease their moral distress, enable them to better cope with daily life, and open up more promising prospects in the future.

THE STRENGTH OF OUR APPROACH:

Developing academic capability as well as crucial psychosocial and interpersonal skills of young people

Beyond educational and nutritional support, considerable work is being undertaken to encourage the development of essential psychosocial and interpersonal skills. These skills help young people become resilient adults and full members of society. FXB International also aims to generate behavioural change in communities through both children and young people.

IMPACT

- Young people improve their academic performance and are encouraged to continue their education.
- Young people experience improved psychosocial status, facilitating their social inclusion.
- Youth life skills and leadership are improved.
- Young people are involved as agents of change in their communities.

Freedom from exploitation and abuse through vocational training in Myanmar

CONTEXT

Myanmar is one of the poorest countries in Asia. The country's vocational training sector is quite underdeveloped, making it impossible to provide the necessary work force for the economy, in terms of both in quantity and quality. As a result, the majority of people entering the labour market are unskilled or under-qualified. This affects industry in terms of productivity and competitiveness and society in terms of underemployment and poverty. With few or no skills, young people find themselves unemployed or in makeshift jobs. They are particularly vulnerable to various risks, including forced child labour, human trafficking, crime, sexual abuse, drugs and HIV/AIDS.

OUR ACTION

FXB Myanmar has extensive experience in vocational training and social enterprise development. On the outskirts of Yangon, the FXB Vocational Training Centre permanently hosts approximately 100 apprentices who are offered various 3-to-24month training courses in sewing, interior design, weaving, wood and metalwork. We also welcome about thirty street children, or children who have dropped out of the school system, on a daily basis. They receive instruction in mathematics, reading and writing as well as lessons in the development of psychosocial and interpersonal skills.

In order to reach young people with little or no access to such services, FXB has developed Mobile Vocational Training Units in the spheres of garment making, hospitality and sustainable tourism, and wood and bamboo working.



THE STRENGTH OF OUR APPROACH: developing the professional, psychosocial and interpersonal skills of young people while supporting their job searches and access to entrepreneurship

In addition to practical and theoretical trainings, all apprentices take various courses designed to strengthen their life skills and self-esteem. Our beneficiaries are also supported throughout all stages of the job search process, up until the conclusion of a dignified and decent work contract.

IMPACT

- Young people develop professional skills.
- Their level of education is significantly improved.
- Life skills and self-esteem are reinforced.
- Young people have access to employment and/or entrepreneurship opportunities.

Preventing the legacy of poverty by strengthening parents' knowledge on early childhood development in Rwanda

CONTEXT

Early childhood is a crucial period in children's development. It lays the foundation for their well-being and serves as the basis for lifelong learning. As the single most important developmental phase, its shapes future adults and, by extension, tomorrow's society. Protecting and ensuring proper childhood development is therefore of paramount importance.

OUR ACTION

Conducted in partnership with Boston College, the Sugira Muryango project aims to educate parents in early childhood development. The goal is to foster a protective and supportive environment for children's development, mental and physical health, optimal growth, cognitive function, and social and emotional competence. Parents participate in 12 interactive modules, covering topics such as health, nutrition, hygiene, family conflict resolution, violence between partners, communication within the family, the importance of the father's role and participation in the upbringing and well-being of their children, and alternatives to harsh punishment.



THE STRENGTH OF OUR APPROACH: a holistic approach to early childhood development.

IMPACT

An evaluation of the pilot phase showed statistically significant improvements in home stimulation, including an increase in positive mother-child interactions, and father involvement. Improvements in dietary diversity and health care behaviour were also noted, as was a reduction in violent punishment practices and an increase in the use of nonviolent discipline.

Education

Nutrition, health and WASH (WAter, Sanitation and Hygiene)

Whether through FXBVillage or our other dedicated programs, we aim to reduce inequalities and promote access to basic human rights such as food security, health, and access to water, sanitation and hygiene. Our activities strengthen the capacity for action and contribute to the development of the communities in which FXB operates.



CONTEXT

One in 9 people in the world are undernourished, and food insecurity leads to stunted growth in millions of children. Three out of 10 people do not have access to safely managed drinking water services, and six out of 10 people do not have access to safely managed sanitation facilities. At least 892 million people continue to practice open defecation. Each year, more than five million children die before their fifth birthday. Furthermore, many regions currently face serious health risks, including high maternal and neonatal mortality rates, the spread of infectious - like coronavirus - and non-communicable diseases, and poor reproductive health. Thirty-eight million people worldwide are living with HIV/AIDS.

OUR ASSESSMENT

Access to food security, adequate health care, water, sanitation and hygiene (WASH) are essential pillars for a dignified life.

Learn more about our projects dedicated to nutrition, health and WASH at: www.fxb.org/what-we-do/nutrition-health-WASH

"WE SHALL NOT DEFEAT ANY OF THE INFECTIOUS DISEASES THAT PLAGUE THE DEVELOPING WORLD UNTIL WE HAVE ALSO WON THE BATTLE FOR SAFE DRINKING WATER, SANITATION AND BASIC HEALTH CARE." KOFI ANNAN

Linking nutrition and access to water, sanitation and hygiene (WASH) for a sustainable impact: an integrated approach to reducing malnutrition in Rwanda



CONTEXT

Kamonyi District has a high rate of chronic malnutrition, with a stunting rate of 43%. In addition, 40% of the rural population has no improved sanitation facilities, and only 10% have a dedicated place to wash their hands. While access to an improved water source is relatively widespread in the country, water treatment is far from the norm. The country's extremely high rate of malnutrition has been attributed to poverty, inadequate nutrition and WASH practices, and the population's lack of general knowledge.

OUR ACTION

There are many underlying causes of malnutrition and stunting: lack of access to water, sanitation and hygiene, recurrent infectious diseases directly caused by inadequate WASH practices, and lack of access to health services. Our approach is therefore multisectoral, addressing all direct and underlying causes of malnutrition to achieve an effective and sustainable impact. It aims to concurrently tackle water, sanitation and hygiene issues, as well as nutritional quality and quantity, while educating communities in order to promote behavioural change and the adoption of good practices.

THE STRENGTH OF OUR APPROACH:

a multisectoral perspective

IMPACT

- Children, breastfeeding and pregnant mothers, and families have access to a healthy diet, in terms of both nutritional quantity and quality.
- Families decrease their risk of infection and recurrent disease thanks to improved sanitation facilities and the adoption of proper hygiene and water treatment practices.

Providing people living along the Irrawaddy River with access to adequate health care: floating clinics in Myanmar



CONTEXT

Vulnerable to natural disasters, the poor communities living along the Irrawaddy River often lack electricity and modern communications. Health care needs become significant as one moves away from urban centres and villages are no longer accessible by road. The medical infrastructure and available local resources are rudimentary or even non-existent.

OUR ACTION

In order to provide adequate health care to people living along the Irrawaddy River, the Maurice Machoud Foundation acquired a pleasure craft and transformed it into a clinical boat. It was equipped with a consultation room, a pharmacy and spaces for minor surgery and dental care. FXB ensures the development and management of this project to which a second floating clinic was added in 2022. THE STRENGTH OF OUR APPROACH: waterway access to the most isolated areas

IMPACT

These two floating clinics provide 30,000 adults and children living in 88 villages, up and down the Irrawaddy River, with access to primary health care, simple surgical procedures, maternal and child health services, prevention of communicable and chronic diseases and sexual and reproductive health awareness.

Addressing the most urgent hygiene needs: supporting women and mothers living in street situations in France



CONTEXT

French and migrant women, often with children, represent more than 17% of the people living in street situations in Paris and the Ile de France. The poverty of these women is multidimensional. This extreme precariousness has been further exacerbated by the COVID-19 crisis.

OUR ACTION

These women and children's lack of hygiene has a direct influence on the deterioration of both their physical and mental health. To address the most urgent hygiene needs, FXB France has been working in partnership with the ADSF Association (Agir pour la Santé des Femmes) to distribute essential baby hygiene products (diapers and wipes), as well as sanitary napkins for mothers.

THE STRENGTH OF OUR APPROACH: reducing menstrual insecurity

IMPACT

FXB France programs have improved the lives of more than 300 women in living in precarious situations, as well as the lives of their children. its ambition is to replicate its FXBVillage poverty reduction model in France too.

Reducing HIV/AIDS infections among at-risk groups in Rwanda

CONTEXT

The Covid-19 pandemic has disrupted programs to combat other diseases, including AIDS, further weakening the most vulnerable and stigmatized. In addition, women aged 15-24 are twice as likely to be infected with HIV as men.

THE STRENGTH OF OUR APPROACH: leave no one behind



IMPACT

People in risk groups decrease their vulnerability to HIV and feel less rejected or socially excluded.

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OUR ACTION

FXB Rwanda is engaged on two fronts:

To reduce the level of new infections among at-risk girls, adolescents and young women in Muhanga District through the AIDS-Free Mentored Integrated Empowered Project (AMIEP): 19% of the female population has no education and only 2.9% complete secondary school. It is not uncommon for young girls to resort to prostitution to survive. Early or unwanted pregnancies are also numerous and have increased since the COVID-19 pandemic. Since the cause of their vulnerability to HIV is systemic, FXB's response must be equally systemic, addressing simultaneously the biological, structural and behavioral factors that create this vulnerability Thus, they are trained in sexual and reproductive health and learn about their bodies, their rights and the choices they can make to protect their health and their physical and moral integrity. They are also educated about risky behaviors, how to identify abuse, how to refuse unwanted sex, and negotiate sale sex to protect then s and from early or unwanted pred

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Whether through FXBVillage or our other dedicated programs, we are committed to defending the rights of women and children, as well as preventing all forms of insecurity and violence against them. We promote gender equality and consider women's empowerment to be a determining factor in the fight against poverty.

CONTEXT

While global progress on gender equality has been made through the achievement of the Millennium Development Goals, women and girls continue to suffer from discrimination and violence in all regions of the world. Approximately 35% of women have experienced physical and/or sexual violence at the hands of an intimate partner or another person at least once in their lives. Women also represent almost half of all human trafficking victims.

OUR ASSESSMENT

Gender equality is not only a fundamental human right, it is also a necessary foundation for a peaceful, prosperous and sustainable world. Our objective is to promote inclusive and peaceful societies. Each of our programs is a response to the implementation – in the daily life of children – of their rights as defined by the Convention on the Rights of the Child, adopted by the United Nations General Assembly on November 20, 1989. For the first time, the following rights were recognized for all children throughout the world: the right to survival, development, protection and participation. FXB's fight against poverty also involves combating gender discrimination and balancing gender relations so that women, who are more exposed to poverty, have access to the same economic and social opportunities as men.

Learn more about our projects dedicated to protection at: www.fxb.org/what-we-do/protection/



Preventing Gender-Based Violence: Empowering Women and Children in Namibia

CONTEXT

Namibia struggles to respond to cases of violence against women and children due to a lack of trained workers, inappropriate response strategies, and a lack of community knowledge about human rights. The situation of women and children is worse in informal settlements where protection services are not accessible at all.

Informal settlements (slums) are a major issue in Namibia. The capital Windhoek and nearby towns are surrounded by communities that migrate from rural areas, in the north and south of the country, in search of better employment opportunities and access to basic services. They build makeshift homes, creating slums with extremely precarious living conditions.

OUR ACTION

Our project targets 4,650 women and girls, men and boys, and community leaders living in the slums of Khomas, Hardap and Otjozondjupa. Its overall objective is to promote the defense of women and children's rights and ensure that these rights are respected. Specifically, it aims to strengthen protection and violence prevention systems in the slums, promote safety and combat gender-based violence, empower women and girls, and provide support to victims of violence. Another important component of this project is to educate men and boys to become advocates for the rights of women and girls as well as agents of change in their communities.

THE STRENGTH OF OUR APPROACH: a proactive approach to awareness



IMPACT

- Communities are trained in human rights, particularly the rights of women and children to be protected from violence.
- The capacity of community leaders to respond to and document cases of women and children's rights violations are strengthened.
- At-risk women and children and victims of violence have access to support, social protection and economic strengthening measures.
- Men and boys are engaged in the protection of women and children's rights and become agents of change in their communities.

Community-led development through participatory theater: Human Drama in Myanmar



CONTEXT

Whether for cultural, religious, social or political reasons, the people of Myanmar suffer from a significant lack of knowledge on crucial health and social issues. Without opportunities for the open discussion of important or taboo subjects, communities are victims of ignorance.

OUR ACTION

The objective of Human Drama—the first program of its kind, designed in 2011 by the British Council and FXB in Myanmar is to help people become aware of various issues related to health, human trafficking, domestic and sexual violence, gender equality, the dangers of social networks (fake news), peacebuilding and safety. FXB works in collaboration with the organization MyJustice to improve legal knowledge and access to justice in communities.

This edutainment program has proven to be a remarkably effective communication and awareness tool. The performers present short plays illustrating real-life problems and situations chosen by the FXB team in the targeted community. They encourage the audience to intervene at key moments in the performance, whenever the spectator thinks that he or she can say or do something that would change the course of events. Role-playing is a simple but effective way to address the issues at hand: the complementary performances and workshops allow audience members to analyze their own reality, become aware of the potentially negative impact of their actions on others, and thus gain a greater sense of ownership concerning the need for behavioural change. This technique also tends to create empathy among community members.

THE STRENGTH OF OUR APPROACH: creating fertile ground to inform and induce behavior change.

In this favourable environment, community members are able to freely express opinions and determine the best solutions to the problems they face.

IMPACT

Human Drama has built a solid reputation in Myanmar. Each year, it allows thousand people to engage in critical discussions regarding approximately twenty social issues.

Protecting Women and Children: A Multi-Sectoral Approach in India

CONTEXT

Human trafficking, child abuse, forced labor and early marriage are among the most serious human rights violations. In India, despite legislative reforms, women are extremely vulnerable to discrimination, sexual harassment, rape, domestic violence and honor crimes.

NOTRE ACTION

FXB India implements several projects to protect women and children:

- In Jaipur, the FXB Day Care Centre welcomes nearly 200 children from the streets and surrounding slums each year. For these boys and girls, aged 4 to 18, it represents their only haven of peace and security. They come here to eat, wash, rest from the chaos, and receive appropriate education as well as medical and psychological care.
- The Mukti Project aims to reduce the incidence of human trafficking for sexual and commercial exploitation in three source states (Assam, Manipur and West Bengal) and one destination state (Goa). The overall objective is to raise awareness among local authorities, religious leaders, ethnic minorities and communities, as well as children, girls and young women.
- In close collaboration with police training academies, FXB India is working to strengthen the ability of law enforcement officers to effectively detect and protect potential victims of trafficking, hone investigation skills, and help victims seek justice through the judicial system. It also aims to raise awareness regarding issues related to corruption, gender, and abusive behaviour and practices against women and children and to encourage law enforcement officers to put human rights and care for victims at the core of their approach.
- The Childline is the flagship program of the Indian government's child protection plan. Approximately 40,000 children use this hotline every day. This free service is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. The 1098 number represents an essential link between children and existing support services.
 FXB manages this number in Manipur and Uttar Pradesh. Principal interventions concern abuses committed or about to



be committed—child trafficking, early marriages, sexual abuse, violence—or the disappearance of children, which is a common phenomenon in India. The goal is for FXB to intervene within 60 minutes of the child's emergency call and get him/her to safety. Then, long-term rehabilitation options are implemented with the child, his or her family when possible, and the shelter in which the child has been secured.

- In Uttar Pradesh, FXB India conducts activities with men and boys in order to promote behavioural change and deconstruct common gender-based preconceptions and stereotypes.
- FXB also conducted research, supported by the OAK Foundation, to understand the underlying factors that increase the vulnerability of marginalized tribal children and young women to exploitation. The second phase of this project is to create and implement a holistic intervention based on its results. Another research project, supported by the Asia Foundation, seeks to identify best practices to improve the effectiveness and appropriateness of care for trafficking and gender-based violence victims.

THE STRENGTH OF OUR APPROACH:

Combining complementary strategies to combat violence against women and children

IMPACT

The combination of these multisectoral interventions allow us to protect and rehabilitate thousands of women and children in India. These research projects aim to integrate key recommendations at the policy level.





CONTEXT

Both poor people and countries are particularly exposed and vulnerable to climate shocks, i.e., to natural disasters that destroy livelihoods, to water-borne diseases such as diarrhea, which has a higher incidence during heat waves, floods and droughts, and to crop failures and food price spikes resulting from extreme weather events. To end poverty, climate change and its effects on the poor need to be taken into account in development policies.

OUR ACTION

FXB integrates climate change adaptation measures into its strategies to fight poverty and social injustice. We are working to build community resilience through several areas of intervention, including:

- Empowering women who are disproportionately affected by climate change;
- Promoting more productive and sustainable agricultural systems;
- Encouraging the cultivation of kitchen gardens for selfconsumption;
- Raising awareness of more sustainable consumption, water use and production patterns, as well as ecological waste recycling;

- Providing access to weather information;
- Initiating a micro-insurance system in savings, credit and support groups, to enable members to meet costs related to weather hazards;
- Constructing outdoor kitchens and promoting the use of improved cooking stoves to reduce respiratory tract infections and deforestation;
- Promoting the use of solar lighting.

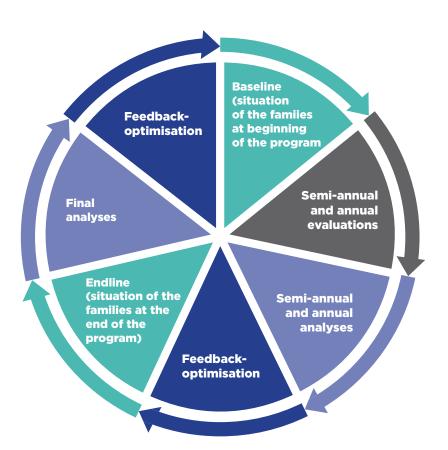
FXB also promotes the engagement and mobilization of youth, as major actors of change, through its FXB Climate Advocates initiative, which consists of a network of youth activists committed to the climate.

THE STRENGTH OF OUR APPROACH: Anticipating and reducing the risks of natural disasters

Measuring the effects of our programs for a sustainable impact

We know that we can't improve what we can't measure.That's why FXB uses a sophisticated monitoring and evaluation system, which was developed and refined by our field team members, specialists and experts from the FXB Center for Health and Human Rights at Harvard University.

Starting from a baseline (i.e., situational data collected on beneficiaries when the latter enter a given FXB program), we assess and analyze beneficiaries' progress in the transition from extreme poverty to a stable, dignified and independent life on a biannual and annual basis.



These frequent analyses facilitate adaptive management in order to meet the specific needs of beneficiaries, identify areas requiring special attention, and promote the continuous improvement of our programs.

OUR WORK AND ACHIEVEMENTS AROUND THE WORLD WOULD NOT BE POSSIBLE WITHOUT THE VALUABLE SUPPORT OF OUR PARTNERS:

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WE ARE COMMITTED TO OUR PARTNERS

We propose pragmatic, high value-added programs with clearly defined objectives.

1. Measurable results

A sophisticated monitoring and evaluation system allows us to analyze the progress and goals of each program and clearly identify results.

2. Transparent and regular reporting

FXB provides its partners with financial statements, semiannual activity reports, and a final report, which includes quantitative and qualitative data to assess program results and effectiveness. FXB also conducts a final multidimensional poverty analysis for its FXBVillage Economic and Community Development programs.

3. Cost-effective programs

FXB is committed to conducting its programs in the most efficient and sustainable manner possible, using minimal resources. For example, an FXBVillage program investment of \$250,000 over three years in provides over 600 children and adults with a sustainable escape from poverty: \$138 per person per year is enough to turn their lives around.

4. Participatory Partnership

Partner aid may consist of financial support, expertise or a volunteer commitment. We strive to make our partnerships visible while respecting the wishes of those who want to remain anonymous. We also welcome partners who wish to visit the programs.

5. Transparency

Out of every \$1 donated to FXB, 85 cents are directly allocated to our programs: 10 cents are used for fundraising and communication activities and 15 cents cover administrative costs. The use of funds entrusted to FXB is subject to very strict transparency and ethics controls. Our accounts are prepared and audited in accordance with the accounting standards of the countries in question. An annual audit is carried out for all FXB entities. The audit and the annual report are available on our website.

The François-Xavier Bagnoud Association (FXB International) is recognized as being of general interest: any donation is eligible for tax deductions.



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FXB has received the **"Gold Guide-Star Nonprofit Profile"** accreditation in the USA. This accreditation demonstrates FXB's commitment to transparency.

Governance

FXB has head offices in Switzerland, France and the United States. An Advisory Board, made up of two representatives from each office, ensures that the fundamental values that underpin FXB International are respected and that its strategy is implemented.

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FXB reserves the right to use unallocated funds for the most urgent needs.

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Testimony

My name is Marie Rose and I live in the Karukoro district of Kigali, where many very vulnerable people live and I raise 6 children by myself. We were very poor before we met FXB. I « graduated » with success from the FXBVillage poverty alleviation program a few months ago.

The pandemic of COVID was of little concern to us one year ago. Most people in Rwanda didn't know anything about this disease. After it spread to Europe and other countries around the world, the rumour was that it did not affect Africans. But that soon changed. From the first case in Rwanda, everything went very fast, we were put in quarantine and have not yet returned to normal life.

I am very proud to be part of the FXB Rwanda family. It's true that we are going through a very difficult time during this COVID-19 crisis, but FXB had prepared us to face crises. In three years, I have received a lot of training that has allowed me to greatly improve the well-being of my people.

In the first year, I received training in finance, project management and a small amount of seed capital that allowed me to start a vegetable business. All my children are healthy and are back in school. Before lockdown, I was able to earn up to \$5 a day and save regularly.

We have also been trained and helped to grow a vegetable garden where I grow carrots, lamb's lettuce, cabbage, beets and much more. These vegetables are primarily intended to improve our own diet. I usually sell the surplus to the market, which allows me to increase my income. But during the crisis, I share them with my neighbours who are even poorer than I was before I joined the FXBVillage program.

FXB has taught us to adopt good hygiene habits. We built latrines, showers and a hand-washing station in front of our house. Everybody got into the habit of regularly washing their hands with soap. The government is sensitizing people to do so to protect themselves from coronavirus, whereas for us it is already part of our daily life.

We have also been taught a lot about making plans for the future. I am part of a Savings and Credit Group with which we meet every week to save, share our good experiences and moments of friendship. There are 20 of us in this group and shortly before the crisis began, we had already managed to save \$1,200. This is already our second cycle. A cycle lasts 12 months and, at the end, we share the profits that we will choose to reinvest in the development of our small business or to improve our housing.

This time, we decided to use the savings from the second cycle to help us get through this crisis without having to spend too much on personal savings. I will probably have to do it anyway because, even though I continue to operate my vegetable business, my clientele is smaller since the beginning of the lockdown.

My family is not suffering too much from this crisis at the moment. During these difficult moments, the staff of FXB Rwanda remains in regular contact with us remotely, by phone.

Everything I learned from being part of this program and my savings are my life jacket and I made the vow to continue implementing all these valuable lessons by focusing even more on planning for the future.

