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Women in the changing world



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The world of work is changing, with significant implications for women. While 70 per cent of the poorest people in the world are women, only 50 per cent of working age women are represented in the labour force globally, compared to 76 per cent of men (UNWomen). Achieving gender equality in the world of work is nevertheless an imperative for sustainable development. FXB therefore promotes women's empowerment and gender equality as key factors to fight poverty.

On 2017 International Women's Day, FXB leads tribute to the thousands of women participating in its [international programs](#), recognizing their courage, resilience and determination to end poverty and give their children a future.

Investing in women is an investment in peace

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Uganda

After participating in FXB's Program in Uganda, Olivia was no longer afraid of being chased out of her rental house. Through a series of FXB trainings, she managed to earn a steady income by working in hairdressing, to feed her children three times a day, send them to school, and furnish her house. "I work hard, and I can follow my dreams and goals. My principle now is to never give up" says Olivia, full of hope for the future.

[Read the testimony](#)



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Mongolia

Enkh is a 40 year old single mother. Her older daughter has vasculitis, her 7 year old boy is disabled, unable to walk nor talk, and her youngest is only 3. When her husband passed away a few years ago, Enkh did consider ending her life. She could not work as her children needed constant assistance. Her little boy urgently needed an operation on his knees, and she wasn't able to carry him anymore.



While entering the Community Development Program FXBVillage, the family finally received the medical support they needed. The 7 year old is now in a wheelchair provided by the organization. Enkh received training, and last January 2017 was hired as a secretary. The entire family sees FXB as a blessing for lifting them out of extreme poverty.

Colombia

Maria has been working as a nurse at FXB for over 13 years. The most rewarding experience for her is to see so many families lift themselves from poverty, resolve challenges and make real progress. As a nurse, she considers patience, respect and the ability to communicate clearly and simply as the most important characteristics for someone in her role.

[Watch the video](#)

Myanmar

After graduating from FXB's Vocational Training Program, Mo Myint opened her own weaving business. It allowed her to provide for her family and help her sick mother, while investing in her future. Grateful



and proud of her career, she decided to go even further by participating as instructor in the "FXB Mobile Training Program" to share her knowledge with other participants in poor villages. "Since FXB changed my life, I want to in turn help others improve their life."



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"My own experience has taught me that by investing in women, we are investing in global peace and security.

And, by the same token, our failure to invest in women can have dire consequences for every global citizen - not just those on faraway continents."

Albina du Boisrouvray,
FXB founder and
President Emerita

Article from the Huffington
Post

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Founded in 1989, FXB International is a non-governmental organization whose mission is to provide families living in extreme poverty with the tools and support they need to become self-sufficient, raise their children in a safe environment and give them a future.

Our Community Development Program [FXBVillage](#) brings the extreme poor to self-sufficiency within three years. It provides integrated support in nutrition, health, education, and housing to meet participants' immediate needs while building their income capacity to become economically self-sufficient.

FXB currently operates programs in [Burundi](#), [China](#), [Colombia](#), [India](#), [Mongolia](#), [Myanmar](#), [Niger](#), [Rwanda](#), [South Africa](#), [Uganda](#)

For the past quarter of a century, 17 million adults and children across 20 countries have benefited from the presence of FXB in their communities through its diverse programs.

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