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# VOICES OF YOUTH



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To celebrate International Youth Day on August 12th 2016, children and youth from around the world speak out for themselves about the impact FXB has on their lives.

Children and youth are the future leaders, future scientists, future workers, clients, employees, artists and innovators of our world. At FXB, we are convinced that nurturing and caring for them are the cornerstones of human progress.



South Africa

"Dreams don't have an expiry date: everything is possible!"

[Mduzuzi's testimony](#)

## Railway Children

India has the largest railway network in the world with more than 7000 stations. More than 200,000 children live in misery within the train stations, and are extremely vulnerable to disease, violence, sexual and mental abuse.



FXB India opened in 2005 a day care centre in Jaipur, where about 50 children are welcomed every day. For these children aged 4 to 18 years

old, the center is the only haven of peace. They can receive care, can bath, eat, learn, relax and even sleep in a protected environment. FXB plans to reach 300 children over the next three years, and open a new visitor center for the 'Railway Children' of Jaipur.



**A former railway child nominated for the International Children's Peace Prize 2016**  
[Ramzaan's testimony.](#)

## Highest French distinction "Officer of the Legion of Honor" conferred to the founder of FXB International

FXB's founder and President Emerita, Albina du Boisrouvray, was promoted in July 2016 to the rank of "Officer of the French Legion of Honor". Highest decoration bestowed in France, it underlines the extent and quality of Albina du Boisrouvray's tireless action in favor of the poor.



Former journalist and film producer, Albina du Boisrouvray drove away from a successful career after a personal tragedy, the tragic death of her unique son, to devote herself to the cause of tens of millions of vulnerable children and women worldwide. In 1989, she created the FXB Foundation and International NGO, of which she is now the President Emerita.

"Together with the members of the FXB International family, I congratulate our President Emerita for receiving this distinction. Founder of our organization, Albina du Boisrouvray is and will remain for all of us a model of commitment to the poor, defending the rights of women and children worldwide and constantly innovating in finding the best ways to fight extreme poverty" said Stanislas Pottier, President of FXB France Board of Directors.

## Burundi: deep impact on children

**An external evaluation of FXB's Community Development Program "FXBVillage" in Burundi shows excellent long term results several years after its completion.**

Three follow-up evaluations were conducted on the Community Development Program of Nyakabiga. The external studies were conducted one, two, and three years after the program's completion.

The evaluations concluded that 98% of the participating children regularly



**Colombia**

"I learned that we have to help each others, especially when we have received help ourselves."  
[Eyleen's testimony](#)

**"By investing in youth, we are investing in the future"**

Albina du Boisrouvray,  
mother of François-Xavier Bagnoud



**Myanmar**

"With FXB, I discovered a job that I love, but I also found my self-esteem back."  
[Htet's testimony](#)

**FXB's impact is concrete and measurable.**

attended school, almost 94% of the households ate two or more times per day, and 89% of the children under 5 years old had normal mid-upper arm circumference measurements, which showed their normal growth. Also, the families were able to save about \$132 USD per year, therefore demonstrating their financial independence and ability to care for their children.

Moreover, access to health care is maintained over the long term, as for example all baby deliveries from mothers in beneficiary communities were assisted by medical staff, which was not systematically the case prior to FXB's intervention.

[Read a summary of the evaluation](#)

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**FXB International** is a non-governmental organization with over 25 years of history of actually breaking the cycle of poverty. Present in 14 countries with a staff of 450 collaborators, its mission is to provide families living in extreme poverty with the tools and support they need to become self-sufficient, able to raise their children in safe environment and give them a future. Using in particular a pioneering, comprehensive and field-tested model known as the FXBVillage program, FXB simultaneously tackles the five drivers of poverty—lack of nutrition, health, education, housing and income—while building families' capacities to overcome poverty and become self-sufficient in the long term.

**In the past quarter of a century, FXB International has already developed 167 Community Development Programs FXBVillage across nine countries - Burundi, China, Colombia, DRC, India, Mongolia, Rwanda, Thailand and Uganda - helping more than 83'000 people out of extreme poverty.**

In addition to the FXBVillage programs, **17 million adults and children across 20 countries have benefited from the presence of FXB in their communities** through sustainable community development, infrastructure rehabilitation, education, HIV/AIDS and other diseases prevention, awareness and access to water and sanitation programs.

**It already affected  
millions of  
children's lives all  
over the world.**

**Millions of others  
are waiting for your  
support**



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