

Proposal: Balamandiram-2ndRound of Funding

Funds Required: \$2645 over 3 years



<p>Priority high</p> <p>Status approved - funded</p> <p>Type recurring</p> <p>Funds Needed 2645</p> <p>Received other</p> <p>Date Received May 2010</p> <p>Site Visit Completed Completed</p> <p>FCRA Clearance Yes</p> <p>Literacy in the Area 60.00</p> <p>Demography Rural</p> <p>Asha Contact Jithesh Kizhakkekara jithesh@chicagogsb.edu</p> <p>Project Contact in India Balachandran P pazhassibalamandiram@gmail.com</p> <p>Address Pazhassi Balamandiram Nallurnad (P.O.), Thonichal Mananthavady, Wayanad District KERALA 670645 India</p> <p>Chapters Reviewing the Proposal Kansas City</p> <p>Project Type Child Home(description)</p> <p>Primary Focus orphans (description)</p>	<p>Proposal Description</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Funding for two teacher's salaries (Rs. 3500) for 12 months (Rs. 42000/teacher/year) from June 1, 2010-May 30, 2011, Total = Rs. 84000. 2. In addition Asha Kansas city will fund 5 months of salary @3500Rs/month for 2 teachers from Jan 1, 2010-May 30, 2010. (The previous funding was until Dec 31, 2009), Total = Rs. 35,000 3. Total funding = Rs. 119,000 (USD 2645.00, at Rs 46/USD) <p>Project Description</p> <p>Pazhassi Balamandiram is a home for destitute and orphan children, established in the year 1985. The institution is registered under the Kerala Orphanages act.</p> <p>Balamandiram is managed by an executive committee (Local residents in Wayanad, mainly in the Mananthavady area) under the Vivekananda Cultural Society, Kaloor, Kochi 682 017, Kerala.</p> <p>This institution is situated in a picturesque landscape at Nallurnad, just 4 kms, away from Mananthavady on the Mananthavady-Kalpetta road, in Wayanad district (Wayanad is one of the most socially and economically backward districts of Kerala) of Kerala. It is named after Pazhassi Raja, who fought a valiant and relentless battle against the British occupation in the last two decades of the eighteenth century.</p> <p>The institution is home to around 50 boys, who hail from various parts of Kerala.</p> <p>They come from the under privileged sections (Many of them had very traumatic childhood and/or are orphans) of the society and are given food, education and shelter. Most of them are students in the neighbouring government schools and the remaining are studying in the Vidyaniketan school (Started in 2001, Grades 1-5) functioning on premises of Balamandiram. In addition to education they are given training in farming, cattle rearing, spiritual practices, etc. Balamandiram's needs are met through public collection, agriculture and a nominal grant from the Social Welfare department of the Govt. of Kerala. Many contribute in times of their birthdays, wedding anniversaries. Contributions are also made during the observance of Death anniversaries.</p> <p>Although there are funds for the basic needs of children education to prepare the children to face the 21st century has been a challenge - esp. in under developed districts like Wayanad in Kerala. The intent of this Asha project is to employ two qualified teachers resident at the facility who can assist the children in areas like English, Mathematics, Science and computers. The project also covers expenses for a computer and a broadband connection for the facility. Asha's vision is to empower underprivileged children through education which can prepare them to succeed in the 21st century (To procure gainful employment). We at Asha believe that sustained socio-economic development in India is not possible without the empowerment of the underprivileged sections of the society through education.</p> <p>Organization/NGO</p> <p>Pazhassi Balamandiram Pazhassi Balamandiram is run by a 9 member executive committee under the Vivekananda Cultural Society, Kaloor, Kochi 682017, Kerala. The president of the committee as of this writing (July, 2009) is Retd. Professor P.R.Sahasranaman. The main caretaker is Mr. P. Balachandran who resides at the facility.</p> <p>http://pazhassibalamandiram.org - pazhassibalamandiram@gmail.com</p> <p>Supporting Documentation</p> <p>May 2010 Project Progress Report Bullets-May 2010</p> <p>May 2010 Project Proposal 2010-2011</p> <p>May 2010 Project Funding Approval Minutes</p> <p>Apr 2010 Site Visit Report-April -2010</p> <p>Apr 2010 Balamandiram-ApprovalMinutes-2ndroundFunding-April-2010</p> <p>Mar 2010 SiteVisit Report-March 2010</p> <p>Jul 2009 Project Proposal</p> <p>Jun 2009 Site Visit Report-2009</p> <p>Jun 2009 Approval Minutes</p>
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Number of Children: 40

Student/Teacher Ratio: 20 : 1

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