

Rescue Junction Poll

Question

Do you approve INR 2,99,200/- towards 2011 annual budget for 'Rescue Junction' project? The budget proposal was presented at the chapter meeting on Aug 23, 2012. They have been requesting the funding for 2011 for about a year now, but we didn't have a steward for this project until 6 weeks back. This project is Not subjected to 20% funding cut because it has already taken bigger cuts in the previous years.

Project Page: <http://www.ashanet.org/projects/project-view.php?p=985>

Renewal Presentation: http://www.ashanet.org/projects-new/documents/985/Project_update_expense_report.pptx

Site Visit Report: http://www.ashanet.org/projects-new/documents/985/Rescue_Junction_sitevisit_report_2011.docx

Responses

Choices	Votes	%	1 reply	Respondents
Yes	12	100		smitha_shyam@... viv.bhandari@... sachrai@... tomadhu@... ashavolunteer@... iyengar73@... ksunilsingh@... keerthivasan86@gmail.... manoj.bhattacharyya@... pratik_mehta_99@... sarathcvk@... vinod.2v@...
No	0	0		

Meeting minutes from 08/22/2012

Attendees: Vivek, Prateek, Keerti, Jigish, Madhu*

1) project update for rescue junction - annual approval
safe shelter for homeless children
provide training
try to reunite them with family, put them for adoption
legal services to fight exploitation
many have gone thru a lot of trauma, alternative methods are used to calm them down
phone number 1098 is children's helpline in India - a government initiative
rescue junction is the local agency that handle calls for this helpline for Gaya region
Government spending is minimal and slow to come
Chairman of rescue junction is a member of district level committee to fight trafficking, abuse etc.
65 children were rescued by police from a factory
111 were reunited with parents in 2011 - number has gone up by 25%
facebook page was created in 2011 - it lead to college students from US volunteering, people from UK donating
In 2010 no funding was needed.
In 2011 they asked for some funding but we didnt fund because Smita was not available and there was no other steward/coord available and it just slipped thru the cracks. Luckily they were able to manage some how.
So we will be funding in retrospect for last year also
This project is Not subjected to 20% funding because it has already taken bigger cuts in the previous years.
Funding figures: 2011 - \$5400, 2012 - \$5776 (flat 7% inflation added) : We will probably set up two different polls.
We will try to expedite funding
Site visit report for last year is there. For this year someone from Asha London - Venkata Challum will visit in few weeks.
Rescue junction people will be here and will attend our meeting on Sept 12
- send it on biking and running list
They have annual conference to connect all local organizations