CELEBRATING 5 YEARS OF Empowerment through Education

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Our Mission

» Empower underprivileged girls through a holistic program

» By doing so, we believe will:
  ▪ Reduce and prevent child marriage
  ▪ Improve health and economic outcomes for girls and women
  ▪ Reduce and eliminate gender inequality
  ▪ Promote development of a more inclusive Nepal
Our Inspiration

» Given away as a bride when she was 8 – 10 years old (to a man in his 40s)
» Widow / single mother in her teenage years
» Fought for a small plot of land to raise her son in
» Instilled in her son the value of education
» That son became a local teacher that eventually started a school in his village
» She continued to emphasize education to her grandchildren and great-grandchildren
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Our Struggles

» Logistical
» Cultural
» Organizational
» Financial
» Acts of God
Our Response to the Struggles

- 46 homes assessed in 13 different villages
- 275 individuals seen in mobile health clinics
- 46 relief packages distributed
- 75 children reached through mental wellness program
- 50 community members reached through a safe building workshop
- 46 families visited to check food, health, and home conditions
- 150 children engaged in hygiene and hand washing program
- 12 families supported with immediate relief materials
- 5 partner schools reached through earthquake preparedness and aftermath safety session

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Our Successes

» 24 girls graduated that we were at one point a Rukmini Scholar
» 2 imminent cases of child marriage prevented
» Graduated scholars are returning to be mentors to new scholars
» Helped to rebuild partner school destroyed by the earthquake
» Built a library that is part of the school and the community

» Provided teacher training to 40 teachers in the last 5 years
» Provided leadership opportunities to 6 local young women
» Changing the way education is delivered: Project Based Learning and web-based learning
» Developed a partnership with Local Sports Club to promote sports for girls
From a bamboo school to a new sturdy building in a scenic area. This is what your support looks like.

The teachers, students, and families in the area will know who made this possible.
Our Future

» Opening a Science Lab in the new school
» Improving English instruction by connecting teachers in the US with teachers in Nepal
» Looking to bring more arts, music, and sports to the lives of these girls
» Supporting scholars beyond high school
Our Rukmini Family

» The amazing team in Nepal
» Our fantastic, talented, and diverse board
» The dedicated volunteers
» The teachers, mentors, and supportive parents
» The Rukmini Scholars who put in the work
Our Simple Math & Our Plea

$25/mon or $0.82/day = A girl in school + Mental + Physical + Emotional

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