

# Let Kids Fly Foundation

A World in which every child is empowered to achieve more

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# Welcome

We are delighted to share our 2023 Impact report with you.

Since our last report in 2021, the world has gone through tremendous change that has affected the lives of many.

Sri Lanka in particular experienced significant hardship, facing the worst of the COVID-19 pandemic, alongside economic challenges and political unrest. Given these challenges, it was more important than ever that we continued to deliver on our initiatives, and to offer aid to those in need, no matter how small the difference.

The Run for Life Project in 2021-22, together with ongoing support from our donors made it possible for us to continue our efforts in helping the children we support in Sri Lanka.

There is nothing like seeing the impact and outcome of the students we support despite the macro economic challenges. Check out the story of Pamali, who is one of many recipients of our scholarship program in Sri Lanka. It was heart-warming to hear that she graduated with a law degree in 2022!

The ripple effect of educating a single child can create a generational impact for their families, villages, and their communities. This report intended to give you a summary of some of our activities since the last report.

We would like to extend our heartfelt appreciation for your enduring support of our cause at Let Kids Fly Foundation to create a **world in which every child is empowered to achieve more.**

Thank you for being a Let Kids Fly supporter!

**The Team at Let Kids Fly**

# Your impact at a glance

While we did not carry out any fundraising activities during 2022, we have continued our efforts at Let Kids Fly foundation. This was only made possible with our ongoing doners and the support of 2021 The Run for Life Project. These are some of the activities our team felt would be timely to share with you all.



## Play

### *The key to unlocking creativity*

An outdoor play equipment set was donated to an orphanage in Sri Lanka, providing entertainment and joy for orphaned children.

## Clean water

### *A basic human need*

Completed a clean water project in a rural school in Sri Lanka. This allowed us to provide access to drinking water for this school as part of our efforts to drive health and hygiene initiatives.

## Education

### *Passport to freedom*

Continuing our Scholarships program. Currently supporting students in:

- Business & Finance
- Industrial Statistics & mathematical finance
- Medical Education

## Healthy Food

### *Nourish to flourish*

Feeding our children is a basic need before we can start any other activities.

Last year, we had a number events including Xmas lunches, hostel food donations as part of this initiative.



## Period Products

### *A necessity not a luxury*

Continuing to provide sanitary products to students from a rural school in Sri Lanka.

This school was selected as part of a pilot program to help improve school attendance by providing access to female hygiene products.





**"I am Pamali. I have just completed my LLB degree at University of Peradeniya, Sri Lanka.**

**It is with deep gratitude that I take this opportunity to thank you all for your generosity in funding my undergraduate studies from the first year to the final year."**

## **Pamali Hewage**

Law Graduate – University of Peradeniya, Sri Lanka

Let Kids Fly's scholarship program has a series of students we support, that we identify from qualified and trusted sources, based on household income and academic merit.

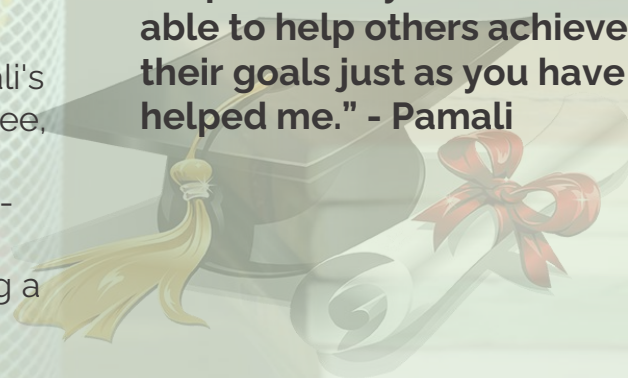
Pamali is one of many that is benefiting from our scholarship program.

Let Kids Fly was able to contribute to Pamali's education by partially funding her law degree, via our scholarship program. The financial support allowed Pamali to meet her day-to-day expenses and alleviate the external pressures that often come with self-funding a university degree.

Pamali completed her final exams in December 2022, and is awaiting her results. She is now training under the supervision of a lawyer, and will begin a formal apprenticeship when her final results are released.

**"With your support, I was able to achieve my dreams. Your generosity has inspired me to help others.**

**I hope one day I will be able to help others achieve their goals just as you have helped me." - Pamali**



# Education

## A passport to freedom

We are proud to announce that thanks to your generosity and support, we have been able to continue our scholarships program, awarding scholarships to deserving students in need at the University level.

These scholarships will provide much-needed financial assistance to these students, allowing them to pursue their education and reach their full potential. Education is a powerful tool that can change the course of a person's life, and we are honored to play a role in making that possible for these students. Currently our scholarship recipient students span across these areas for university education:

- Business & Finance
- Industrial Statistics & mathematical finance
- Medical Education

We would like to express our deepest gratitude to all those who have made this scholarship program possible.

Your contributions will have a lasting impact on the lives of these students and their families, and we are proud to have you as part of our community.



# Play

## The key to unlocking creativity



We are thrilled to have donated a brand-new outdoor play set to a local orphanage in Sri Lanka (Sneha Child Development Center). The children there were in need of a safe and fun place to play and exercise, and we are happy to have provided that for them through your support.

The play set included a swing set, slide, and jungle gym, providing hours of entertainment and joy for these children. They are now able to enjoy the sunshine, fresh air, and have some much-needed fun.

This donation would not have been possible without the generosity of our supporters and volunteers, and we are grateful for their continued dedication to our cause.

Thank you for helping make a positive impact in the lives of these children. Every small act of kindness goes a long way in brightening someone's day.

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*We are so great full for this generous donation of this play station which has given our kids the opportunity to improve on many aspects; such as coordination, sharing, to take care of each other, and to have patience until you get your turn are some lessons which kids have to learn through experience. This play equipment has given these kids the opportunity to learn all of this while enjoying their outdoor play time!*

*Thank you all for making this happen!*

**Aruni Seneviratne**

President, Mallika Nivasa Samithiya (Society) Ltd.

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# Clean Water

## A basic human need

Through your generosity and support, we have been able to complete a clean water project in Pelmadulla in Sri Lanka.

The school, located in a remote area, did not have access to clean running water, making it difficult for the students and staff to carry out their daily activities. The donated water tank will provide a much-needed source of clean water for the toilets, drinking, washing hands, and other important uses.

This donation will make a significant impact on the health and well-being of the students and the school staff and will help ensure they have access to the basic necessities they need to succeed.



Together, we can make a difference in the world, one community at a time.



# Health & Period products

## A necessity not a luxury

We are excited to have launched a pilot program focused on donating sanitary products to school children. This initiative aims to tackle a pressing issue that affects countless young individuals who face challenges in accessing necessary hygiene products.

In many communities, lack of access to sanitary products can lead to significant barriers to education, dignity, and overall well-being for young girls and teenagers. By addressing this critical issue, we can empower these students to stay in school, focus on their studies, and confidently pursue their dreams.

We would like to extend our sincerest gratitude to all those who made this donation possible. Your kindness and generosity will have a lasting impact on the lives of these girls, and we are honored to have you as part of our community.

Together, we can make a difference in the world, one girl at a time. Thank you for your support!

As part of this program, we will continue to monitor the impact of these provisions in terms of school attendance and enrolments.





# Healthy Food

**Nourish to flourish**

In these difficult economic times, many families are struggling to make ends meet. Unfortunately, this often means that children go without basic necessities like nutritious food. At Let Kids Fly we continue to look for appropriate opportunities where we can support those in need.

We had number of activities in this space with the ability to help through providing nutritious meals to hostel students, Christmas lunches to number of rural groups, who otherwise might have gone without.

The hostel meals helped ensure that those students were getting the nourishment they need to stay healthy, both physically and mentally. The Christmas lunch program for the kids we supported was a way of helping them to experience the magic of the holiday season. It also provided a chance for these families to come together and enjoy a nutritious meal in a supportive environment.

This small act of kindness will have a big impact on their lives, helping them to focus on their studies and reach their full potential.

We would like to extend our sincerest gratitude to all of those who made this program possible.

# There is **more** to do

At Let Kids Fly, our mission is **a world in which every child is empowered to achieve more.**

Educational scholarships are only one element of the support we provide.

We continue to explore areas where we can make a meaningful difference to underprivileged students. These are our core priorities at present to realise our mission.

**Digital  
Connectivity**

**Access to  
Educational  
support**

**Career  
Coaching and  
Spoken  
English**

**Health and  
access to  
feminine  
hygiene  
products**

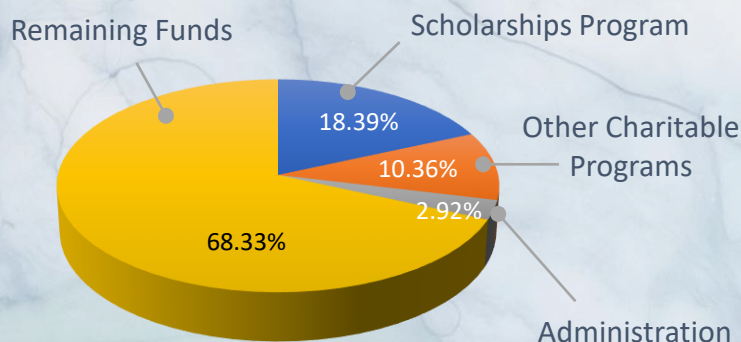


# The difference one person can make



You, our community of supporters, know the importance of supporting a child that does not have the means to complete their education.

The students who have benefited from your support have come from disadvantaged backgrounds and overcome tremendous barriers to realising their dream of a university education.



Let Kids Fly is a small family-owned non-profit foundation. We have no full time or paid staff members. All our efforts are through volunteer time and effort.

We focus all our efforts to maximise the contributions of your donations towards the mission we support.

# Help us with your **Facebook** fundraiser!

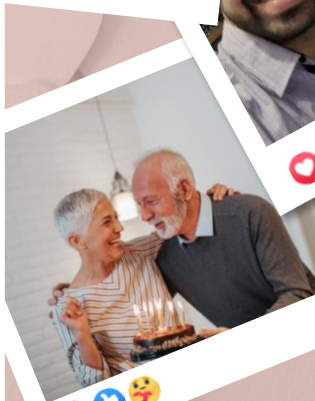
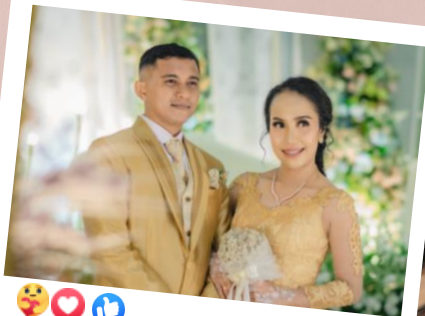
**Join us!**



Facebook fundraisers are a popular way for our donors to make a meaningful contribution during special occasions.

Create a Let Kids Fly Facebook fundraiser for your Birthday, Anniversary, Wedding, or any other special occasion and support the cause!

Thank you for all the support!



To create your own Facebook fund raiser:

Goto: [www.facebook.com/fundraisers](https://www.facebook.com/fundraisers)

Click: "Non profit"

Select" Let Kids Fly Foundation





*"Helping one person might not change the whole world,  
but it could change the whole world for that one  
person."*

- Anonymous -



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