

“It all starts with an education.”

Our mission is to alleviate poverty by providing educational opportunities to children who are not being educated and to promote awareness of the growing abandonment of street children worldwide. Our primary schools are built in extremely impoverished urban communities where school structures don't exist or are run down, and lacking basic necessities. We find communities where children are not going to school and do not have educational alternatives. Children not going to school; this is what we care about, this is what we seek to change. At the heart of our mission is community ownership of projects. We form partnerships with individuals, other organizations and community groups, where our joint effort provides the means to positively impact a large number of people and create tangible, sustainable community benefit.

Andino International provides two services to the communities it works with: (1) build or renovate a school house so that a community has an educational facility available to them; (2) provide an existing school with educational materials so that the children who attend class can properly receive an education.



Socabaya Characato, Peru – Our next project site.

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Let us Introduce Ourselves!

Give An Education is the inaugural charitable campaign from Andino International.

Andino International, Inc. is a nonprofit charitable organization which partners with local communities and other organizations to renovate and construct new schools and supply educational materials to existing schools in some of the world's most impoverished communities throughout Latin America.

The overriding goal of Andino International and our campaign, Give An Education, is poverty alleviation via increased education. We seek to accomplish this by searching out places in need of educational infrastructure and partnering with local communities, together building schools for their children.

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2 out of every 5 children under the age of 9—some 43 million Andean children—live on less than \$2 a day. Over 70 % of the population live below the poverty line..

Volunteer Involvement

Our volunteers participate in the entire school formation process from sourcing new projects and fundraising to working alongside parents and our lead contractors. Our construction projects are led by local paid contractors. Volunteer duties include meeting with potential students, parents and community leaders, providing design guidance, physically construction work, painting, and documenting our work through still photos and video photography.

To date, we have built one single-classroom primary school where 31 children— between the ages of 6 and 12 —attend daily classes, all of whom are receiving a formal education for the first time. The school, which opened in June 2009, operates year-round with a summer session January through March. In addition, we are supporting the education of over 150 children in 8 schools, where we help by providing educational materials to all of the students, from pencils and paper to textbooks.

See Your Charity Put to Work.

100% of all public donations go directly to charity to fund educational infrastructure projects. Andino International, Inc. is an United States tax deductible 501(c)3 charitable organization.

Street Children >>>

The phenomenon of street children is global, alarming and escalating. These are children who work in the streets and markets of cities selling or begging, and live with their families, as well as homeless street children who work, live and sleep in the streets, often lacking any contact with their families. Both sets of children fall within our target population. The most effective way to improve the quality of life for these children and their communities is to provide them with opportunity in the form of an education.

Local community involvement and ownership of our projects is

at the heart of our philosophy. We encourage this involvement and require communities to earn “sweat equity” in the schools by requiring parents to be involved with the building and maintenance of the school house.

Curriculum >>>

The curriculum is focused around literacy and basic mathematics. The teacher's are government appointed certified educational professionals and the curriculum is largely government mandated. Not every community is the same, nor are the barrier to

education identical for each child. In addition to constructing or renovating public schools, where educational infrastructure does not exist, we also build additional education facilities. We meet with families, discuss financial, nutritional and social needs, and persuade parents of the enormous future benefit an education will provide their children.

Financing >>>

In all aspects of operation, we seek to operate in a cost conscious approach, with a

Over 25% of school-aged children in the Andean region are not in schools.

focus on the most economical way to proceed while maintaining safety, quality and sustainability. All schools are free of cost for students. Projects are

financed by public donations. Our minimal administrative expenses are covered by our board.



Student Involvement via Chapter Clubs >>>

As part of the Give An Education campaign's national expansion program, we are opening chapter clubs on campuses across the United States. Clubs will offer students the opportunity to partake in the primary and secondary school formation process. The role of these clubs will be to raise awareness of extreme poverty and the growing abandonment of street children worldwide, as well as to raise funds for the establishment of schools.

What's Happening Now? Lean How You Can Be Part of the Solution >>>

We are currently working on our second formation project: the extensive renovation and expansion of a primary & secondary school in the town of Socabaya Characato. The two classroom school is in immediate need of repair as the walls are literally falling down creating an unsafe environment. Working with the community every step of the way, we plan to reopen the school for the March 2010 school year start. For decades to come, the elementary school will be a place of study and recreation for over 70 students, many of whom will be starting this March having not ever stepped foot inside a classroom or onto a playground. The capacity of the building will more than double the current student body of thirty children after the renovations are completed. The project includes the addition of bathrooms, installation of electrical wiring and running water; all luxuries enjoyed by only a fraction of the community. Your support of this project will pay for the brick, mortar, paint, construction fees and furnishings. As always, 100% of your donation will fund only direct project costs.