

EarthChildren Announces the Award of TECfusions Foundation Funding

TECfusions Foundation's support of EarthChildren will directly benefit 65 orphaned refugee girls in the world's largest refugee camp – with high-quality education and basic life support

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Cox's Bazar, Bangladesh (September 27, 2023) - EarthChildren Rescue Inc. is delighted to announce that TECfusions Foundation is donating a generous gift totaling \$300,000 USD, which will provide support for ongoing projects such as its girl-child education program, Project Bright Light, and assist in the development of Project Ladder of Hope – a women's micro-finance program.

EarthChildren launched its pilot of Project Bright Light in April of 2022 to provide life support and education for refugee girls in the world's largest refugee camp in Bangladesh. This comprehensive and innovative program provides 65 orphaned refugee girls all they need to thrive and helps them to break free from the cycle of poverty, slavery, violence, inequality, and oppression seen all too often in the camps. Since its inception, the program has grown to include three learning centers that supports a total of 65 students. Funding from TECfusions Foundation will sustain the continued work of Project Bright Light in uplifting and empowering girls most in need.

With the support of TECfusions' funding, EarthChildren plans to develop its newest program - Project Ladder of Hope. This innovative program will provide an information technology ("IT") microfinance and livelihood program for vulnerable at-risk women residing in the world's largest refugee camp. It will train and accommodate women in the 18-month program and include skill-based training, literacy and numeracy training, business training, mental health support, as well as material support including food, clean water, and childcare.

Rochelle James, EarthChildren's Co-Founder and Executive Director, commented, "We are deeply honored and grateful for TECfusions' generous support. This partnership emphasizes our commitment to providing a brighter future for refugee girls and women through education and training. With TECfusions Foundation by our side, we are more determined than ever to continue breaking barriers and fostering hope. Together, we will help all children recognize their own collective identity and enable them to break free from the inequality, chains of poverty, and societal oppression that bind them and help them to reach their full potential."

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About EarthChildren: EarthChildren is a U.S. §501(c)3 nonprofit that uplifts and educates vulnerable women and girls in dark and hard-to-reach places with a focus on refugee camps. Our cornerstone is the provision of quality education combined with sustenance (healthy food and clean water) and healthcare to orphaned refugee girls in the Nayapara and Balukhali refugee camps in Cox's Bazar, Bangladesh. Our goal is to grow healthy, balanced girls who can access non-humanitarian migration pathways out of the camps into post-secondary training and meaningful careers, thus fostering a generational change in advocacy and the fight against inequality and injustice.

To learn more about EarthChildren, please visit our <u>website</u>. If you are interested in supporting our work, please <u>donate</u>. We are currently raising funds to build a fully sustainable orphanage with botanical walled gardens for our girls to live and thrive in. Please consider joining this movement and learn more about how to help <u>here</u>. To keep up to date on our work and impact, follow us on social media: Instagram, Facebook, and LinkedIn.