

Global Initiative for Health & Development

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Message from the President



GIHD has entered its fourth year of existence. 2020 has been a challenging year for GIHD in terms of implementing its programmes due to COVID-19 related travel restrictions.

COVID-19 pandemic has affected the lives of millions of people across the world. It has touched all aspects of life of people- social, economic and cultural. In 2020, GIHD focused on mobilizing additional resources to respond to the social and economic challenges faced by the people due to COVID-19. To this effect, we approached several local donors with specific proposals. We are extremely grateful to the benevolent funding from Ville de Meyrin and Ville du Grand-Saconnex to provide support poor children for online education. Since the funding was received in December 2020 and January 2021, we will be implementing the projects in 2021.

2021 will be an exciting year for GIHD. We look forward to learning from our experience of implementing the projects.

Athira Anand
March 2021

Activities in 2020

Support to nursing education in Kerala

As COVID-19 has created havoc across the globe, and the relevance for nursing education to deal with the health crisis has increased. Hence, with the funding from individual donors, GIHD has provided one time donation to poor students in Kerala for nursing education.

Fund-raising for COVID-19 response

In 2020, GIHD focused itself to mobilize funding to respond to COVID-19. GIHD has developed several proposals to this effect and approached potential local donors. We are happy to report that Ville du Grand-Saconnex and Ville de Meyrin has positively responded to our proposals and committed funds- Ville du Grand-Saconnex with one-time unrestricted funds and Ville de Meyrin with substantial funding, which was released in early 2021. Both these donations are the result of effectively implementing projects funded by them in 2019.

Financial Review - 2020

GIHD's revenue in 2020 came from individual donations and one-time small unrestricted fund from Ville d uGrand-Saconnex received in December 2020. In December 2020, substantial funding was committed by Ville de Meyrin to support online education of poor children in Kerala, India. This funding was received in early 2021.

About GIHD

In January 2017, a few like-minded people came together to form an organization whose vision is to promote positive health and development outcomes by helping people in need to help themselves. Following reflections, the Global Initiative for Health & Development (GIHD) was established in April and registered under Article 60 of the Swiss Civil Code.

GIHD works in partnership with local non-governmental organizations, civil society groups and government institutions / organizations, educational institutions and philanthropies, as well as the mobilization and engagement of women, children and young people using participatory approaches. In particular, it will promote:

- o Education and skills development of orphaned and vulnerable children;
- o Health and nutritional support to orphaned and vulnerable children in need; and,
- o Care, support and legal advice for girls and women who are victims of violence.

To know more about GIHD or to get involved, please write to: info@gihd.ch