



Building a better future

Budget: \$35,000

Funding Status

Donors \$31,800

Required \$3,200

Update:

Entrust Foundation is supporting our partner in China working with physically or mentally disabled children. Specifically, Entrust is supporting the education of these children.



Over the last six months, exciting things have been happening at three different locations where our partner works with over 600 children. The older children have been receiving 'pre-vocational training' in cleaning, recycling, and wheel chair and scooter detailing/servicing. These basic skills will assist the children to live as independently as possible as they get older. Also recently introduced were cooking classes. These include shopping for the ingredients, which additionally gives the children practice in handling money and interacting within the community.

Class sizes are tailored to the needs and abilities of the students, with maximum class sizes of eight or nine for the less disabled students. Many students receive one-on-one classes tailored to their needs and abilities.

It is not only the children who receive education, but also the local teachers. Many are new to working with disabled students. One of the highlights from this period has been how much the teachers have grown. They receive regular formal and informal training, and are encouraged to share lesson plans, successes and failures with each other.



Their motivating force is not, however, the training, but seeing the difference in the lives of their students. Training sessions are also held with parents, to help them give the best quality care to their children.

A major achievement of this period has been the development of plans for the most disabled. One child spent most of his day screaming and crying but since receiving a personalized education plan, he has calmed down amazingly. Now he can interact with his peers, and his life has more meaning.

This is just one story. On behalf of all the children receiving love and education, and being encouraged to reach their full potential, thank you.