## How to donate to Shining Life Children's Trust

You can make a donation as follows:

I would like to help bring a shining life to children and their families in Sri Lanka by donating:
□ £10 a month □ £25 a month
□ £50 a month □ £100 a month
□ other amount £
I am unable to give regularly but would like to make a donation of
Shining Life Children's Trust, CAF Bank.
Sort Code 40-52-40 Account Number 00016399.
NAME:
ADDRESS:
Telephone:
E-mail:
I want the Trust to treat my donations as Gift Aid – if you are a UK ta payer, this enables us to increase your donation by 25%

If you would like to set up a standing order, please do so using the details above. Please use your name as the reference.

or you can make a donation by credit card by visiting

https://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/charity-web/charity/finalCharityHomepage.action?charityId=1017183

or you can send a cheque to the address above.

# Objectives of Shining Life Children's Trust

- To work with disadvantaged children and communities in Sri Lanka.
- To support children through working with their families and communities.
- To work across cultures and religions.
- To ensure work undertaken facilitates sustainable development.
- To work in partnership with local organisations.
- To support small, unique and new projects.
- To support and develop projects that build on the strengths of Shining Life Children's Trust.
- To promote understanding and knowledge of Sri Lanka amongst supporters in the UK.

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Working to improve the lives of children disadvantaged by poverty in Sri Lanka.

Shining Life Children's Trust was established in 1997 to work in Sri Lanka with children disadvantaged by war and poverty. Our focus is on the family; through developing the community in which the children live we aim to build a truly sustainable and brighter future for the children.

Our aim is not to give hand-outs but to facilitate. All our work is centred around participation; empowering families and communities to develop and educate their children and encouraging children to express their own needs.

There are many consequences of poverty and we ensure that all our projects provide a holistic solution. The main components of our projects are shown below.

### Please help us to bring a shining life to the children of Sri Lanka

£5 per month provides day care facilities and a daily nutritious snack for one child.

£15 per month pays to set up Children's Clubs; building children's confidence and self-esteem and enabling them to work together to address the inequalities they experience.

£25 per month pays for five health workers to



Children from the Rahuntagoda tea estate.

teach the community about basic nutrition and hygiene.

£50 per month pays for six mothers to receive occupational training to enable them to provide a steady income for their family.

Shining Life Children's Trust is staffed entirely by

volunteers ensuring that over 98% of your donation goes directly to our work in Sri Lanka.

#### **Building the community**

- Women's societies
- Community activities
- Awareness programmes

#### **Finance and employment**

- Microfinance scheme controlled by mothers
- Access to cheap short-term loans
- Self-employment training

#### **Project components**

#### Children's welfare

- Children's clubs and youth clubs
- Provision of library books and sports equipment
- Educational trips
- Pre-school provision

#### Health and nutrition

- Training programmes in health, e.g. hygiene, clean water
- Training programmes in nutrition e.g. healthy diets, sources of affordable, nutritious food

'Through the project I obtained a loan of 5000 rupees [about £30] to start my business. For the first time I have an income for my family.

'I buy pieces of material and sew clothes to earn a living. 'I owe my heartfelt gratitude for all the support you have given to me.'

Mrs S.G. Piyaseeli, Galewala'



A woman from Galewala with the dresses she made in her dress-making training.

'Thank you for organising this years Avurudhu Festival. We have already started reading the books and playing with the sports equipment.'

I.G. Kasun Sadamadi

Chairman, Ibbankatuwa Children's Club (Age 14)



Children from the Rahuntagoda tea estate enjoying their first trip to the sea.