It is our great pleasure to share our annual report for the year 2012 to our donor and stakeholders which highlights our key achievements and impact on the lives of the beneficiaries directly and indirectly. It provides the real picture of our activities implemented in the whole year and consequences of the activities in the lives of children, family and community.

Good Neighbors International has started to work in Nepal since 2002 with an aim to increase the access of poor marginalized children to school through child sponsorship. Though the program was initiated with the hostel project in Sangla VDC but after the long way till 2012, Good Neighbors Nepal is able to establish its projects in 7 districts across Nepal. Additionally, GNI Nepal has also established Kailali Mom Center as a separate project in Kailali with an aim to develop it as resource center for Early Child Development.

The organization gradually expanded from child sponsorship to community development approach for the holistic development of the children, family and the community. At the present GNI, Nepal has focused on education program, livelihood enhancement, health and medical services, community partnership and advocacy. GNI Nepal is working at the grass root level in coordination with the local government, donor agencies and counterparts NGOs based on the community participatory approach.

In the year 2012, GNI, Nepal approached for the cooperative for the sustainable development and established 4 cooperatives in Mugu and Humla district. Similarly, GNI, Nepal has approached to 4 new districts for the new project establishment in Western and Far Western Region of Nepal. Besides that GNI, Nepal has also started to piloting for the Human Rights Based Approach for community development in Myagdi District of Nepal.

Finally, I would like to extend my sincere appreciation to donors, line agencies, children, parents, farmers, project management committee members and to all my colleagues in GNI Nepal for their support, hard work and deep commitment and valuable contribution to achieve the intended goals.

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Introduction

Good Neighbors International (GNI) is an international, humanitarian and development NGO in general consultative status with the United Nations Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC). GNI strives to improve lives, especially children’s lives, through education, food, shelter, community development, medical care, advocacy and emergency relief. GNI has made great strides in its mission by providing people around the world with a better quality of life since its establishment in 1991 in South Korea. Currently GNI is working in 30 countries including Nepal by applying child focuses community based development approach.

GNI has been working in Nepal since 2002 with the objectives of the child education and income generation project. It has wide experience of working in grass root level through counterpart NGO. Currently, GNI is working in three areas; Child-focused School Education Program (CSEP), Livelihood Enhancement Program (LEP) and Community Welfare Program (CWP) through its 3 counterparts NGOs in Nepal.

OUR GOAL:
To improve the quality of primary school education and enhance the livelihood through income generation supports.

WORKING MODALITY:
Presently, GNI is practicing two development modalities in Nepal:

1. Urban Community Development Project (UCDP): The CDP that relies within the city periphery of the country and has features of urbanization in the near future.

2. Rural Community Development Project (RCDP): The CDP that is situated in the countryside of the country, remote and scattered living of people.

IMPLEMENTING PARTNER NGOS:

1. Good Neighbors Nepal (Ashal Chhimeki Nepal)
2. Lele Community Development Center
3. Sonaha Bikash Samaj

SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES:

A. Child-focused School Education Program (CSEP)
1. To provide the school education support to children and assist in school building infrastructure to enhance quality of education

2. To provide the general health check-up for children, parents and community people

3. To improve the condition of sanitation and drinking water in the schools and community

B. Livelihood Enhancement Program (LEP):

4. To support poor families for their livelihood improvement

5. To enhance the socioeconomic condition of community people through local resource mobilization for income generation

6. To provide skill enhancement training based on the situation and demand of the beneficiaries

C. Community Welfare Program (CWP):

7. To cultivate local leaders with the conceptualization of sustainable community development and to construct building for community infrastructure

8. To generate awareness on gender, culture, climate change, health education and food security related issues

9. To provide assistance as emergency response to major disasters to secure right to life and assistance of the affected population.

MISSION

- We are an international, humanitarian, and development organization.
- We respect the dignity of human beings, striving for the restoration of humanity and ethical virtue.
- We contribute to the building of a global community by helping create a world where people live together in harmony.
- We subscribe to a holistic approach in providing sustainable development and relief work regardless of race, nationality, religion, ideology, or geographical constraints.
- We mobilize and manage resources, and are committed to solving the problems of underprivileged and marginalized people.
- We utilize local resources to maximize effective and efficient work.
- We are enablers who work in cooperation with our partners.
- We work in any place there is a need.
Darchula CDP*
Bajura CDP*
Kailali
Bardiya
Humla
Mugu
Doti
Kailali
Bardiya Patabhar CDP*
Bardiya Gularia CDP*
Sonaha Bikash Samaj
Bardiya Community Welfare Center (MOM Center)

Kailali Baliya CDP*
Kailali Durgauli CDP*
Kailali Kotatulsipur CDP*
Kailali Pathraiy CDP*
Kailali Tikapur CDP*
Kailali Community Welfare Center (MOM Center)

Doti DISTRICT OFFICE (FFNV)☆
Doti Ladagada CDP*
Doti Pokhari CDP*

KAILALI REGIONAL OFFICE

Humla CDP*
VIVA by KOIC
ACHIEVEMENTS:

- 16,483 children received educational support as sponsored children. In compare to last year, it is 25% increase in 2012.
- 7,234 new children were enrolled in 2012.
- In this year, 28 children have passed the School Leaving Certificate (SLC) and join for the further study.
- 33 new schools were supported with building construction.
- 668 women participated in the literacy class and among them, 55% are in the leadership position in the project activities.
- 2 ECD centers are directly running while 16 ECD centers have been being supported.
- In Humla, Government of Nepal is bound to implement the local curriculum focusing on herbal and fruit (Atis, Apple) based on the community need.
GNI provides school educational support to children as well as provides qualified teachers in required community schools. It also supports the school management for improvement, fund assistance in school infrastructure, quality of education and also enhances local knowledge and skill through local curriculum development to make a “child friendly school”.

GNN became next parents for children

My name is Sita Kumari B.K. I am nine years old. I study in grade three in Chaukhani Lower Secondary School. I am from the Dalit (untouchable) Community. It is difficult to join our hands and mouths in my family. I am an orphan child. My father was died six years ago due to HIV/AIDS and my mother is also suffering from the same disease. Due to diseases, my mother cannot work properly and we have also not sufficient land for food production. My brother is very talent in his study but due to poverty he could not continue his school level education and left school one year ago. I also did not go to school regularly due to lack of stationeries. Similarly, I had old and torn school uniform. So, I had hesitation to go school regularly. Fortunately, I was enrolled in the sponsorship program of Good Neighbors. Now, I go to school regularly. I do not feel lack of stationeries. Good Neighbors’ support encourages me to continue my study. We feel, Good Neighbors is our next parent who supports us for our bright future. So, I want to thank Good Neighbors and wish that it could support as many children like me who are not able to reach at the school’s door.

- Among the 24 library supported schools, 80% of the students have developed the habit of studying the library books.
- Home visiting has decreased the dropout rates among the sponsored children by 98% at school
- Teacher Training has improved the quality of teaching, regularity of teachers, and educational performance of children as indicated by the students’ progress report.
- The school enrollment rate increased by 98% in the community.
- School Improvement Plan developed and implemented in Mugu and Humla district.
- Science exhibition conducted in Humla district where children exhibited their own creation.
- 268 sets of furniture were supported to public schools.
ACHIEVEMENTS:

- 17,130 children & parents received the health check up through medical camps which has decreased the effect of diseases in the community and school.
- 25 children and community people received the medical support in critical health situation which has saved their life.
- 81 first aid kit box were distributed to school and community for primary health care.
- Among the target women, 531 women got the pre-natal and post natal care training. It has improved the pre-natal and postnatal care among the women.
- 3,896 children got the nutritional food support which has improved the health of children.
- 3,667 Community people were benefitted from the awareness on communicable diseases, HIV/AIDS in Kailali and Doti.
- 1 vaccination center established in Kotatulsipur, Kailali which has benefitted the community people.
- 1,225 mosquito nets were distributed to community people in Kailali and Bardiya for prevention from diseases caused by mosquito bite.
GNI Nepal intends to respond in the health service sector through regular health check-up of children and their parents and community people. Besides that awareness campaigns, trainings are conducted for the children and community members. Apart from that snake anti venom vaccination support and critical treatment, support is provided for the poorest of the poor people.

**Life Back after Medical Treatment**

I am Suddha Lal Budha, 12 years old studying in grade six at Himodaya Lower Secondary School at Bama, Mugu. My hobby is to play football. I used to play football with my friend's at my school. My father and mother's major occupation is farming and I too help them in their farming in my leisure time.

On July-18, 2012, while I was playing football with my friends at school, suddenly I fell down rolling with ball. I got hard leg pain and went at home. My father and mother took me at district hospital after general home treatment. Doctor’s at district hospital tried their best to cure my leg. Finally, they requested my parents to take me at city hospital for further treatment. The member of Good Neighbors of my community served me a lot to cure my leg. My parents were unable to make such a huge expenditure for the further treatment. Good Neighbors Nepal’s office at Mugu was observing my treatment from the beginning.

I am now getting well gradually after long treatment at city hospital of Nepalgunj. I am going to my school with my own leg. My leg is getting better day by day. My family, representative of Good Neighbors at my community and the whole Good Neighbors team is happy with my progress. I am hurry to play football with my leg again.

**I can see the world back again**

I am Buddhi Bahadur Pahari, 75 years old, resident of Badikhel- 5, Lalitpur. I was living a difficult life as my both eyes have been covered with cataract. It was making me problem in working and walking here and there. I was unknown about its cure and didn’t communicate to anyone for the treatment. But one day, I heard that Good Neighbors is providing such treatment support in the community. I became very much hopeful at that moment and communicated in the office. They took me to the Nepal Eye Hospital, Tripureswor and I got operation the both eyes in the same day.

Now, I can see the world as before which has made me to work and go anywhere without any problem. It has also increased my confidence level. When I had problem in my eyes, my families were also worried and I needed their support to go anywhere, but now they are not worried. I am very grateful towards the support that provided me to bring back the vision and see the world again.
**ACHIEVEMENTS:**

- Material support to construct 148 numbers of toilets in their houses and schools.
- 99% of the sponsored children have changed their hygiene behavior through sanitation material distribution.
- 60% children have easy access to safe drinking water at schools.
- 86 hand pumps had been installed in Kailali and Bardiya district which has increased the access of community people to safe drinking water.
- 107 garbage disposal cane were distributed in school and community.
GNI Nepal is intervening in water and sanitation sector to improve the condition of drinking water and sanitation in school and communities focusing on children and their parents. For that purpose GNI is providing personal hygiene training and material distribution, management and construction of drinking water tap, hand pump installation, toilet installation, waste garbage management, deep boring installation and remodeling and repairing the houses.

Change the life after Hand Pump Installation

Hello! I am Sunita Chaudhary, 14 years old. I live in Tikapur 8, Sibnagar, Kailali in Nepal. I study at Shree Janajagriti Higher Secondary school in secondary level. My parents work as a daily wages laborer. I live in a small home with my father, mother and a younger sister.

Till last October, we had not own hand pump in our house. So, my parents had to pay 50 rupees per month to neighbors as well as had to pay extra money for maintenance. Sometimes, our neighbor used to get angry with us when we went there to fetch the water. We had faced several problems for washing, bathing and drinking on those days. I also used to go to school wearing dirty clothes. So, I seemed untidy.

One day Good Neighbors staff came to visit my home to counsel my parents for better improvement of my study. On that day, she knew about our problem and assured to support. Luckily, Good Neighbors supported one hand pump for our family. Now, I have enough water for washing cloth, bathing and drinking clean water. Now, I go to school wearing clean clothes and nowadays I and my family are very happy. These days, we don't have to face my neighbor irritation. I give many thanks to Good Neighbors for support and wish to support more people and communities who are in need.

- As a result children and community people have developed the habit of putting wastage in garbage can.
- 170 deep borings have supported for drinking water and irrigation of the community land for farming.
- Decreasing the habit of open defecation by 69% in the target community through sanitation campaigning.
- 69 water filters were distributed to school and community for the children and community people.
Family Livelihood Improvement

Family is the backbone of a child. To create the sound environment for the child, particular families receive support to improve their living conditions through micro-enterprises, training, and exposure visits.

ACHIEVEMENTS:

- 7 poor family members were benefitted from remodeling of the houses for living.
- 105 family members were supported for micro enterprises establishment.
- 147 families were benefitted with material supply for job creation.
- 60 community members were benefitted from exposure visits in different places.
Vocational Training

GNI Nepal has been supporting to the poor parents with vocational trainings to upgrade their economic status and lead to self-reliant. After training different supports are provided to start their entrepreneurship.

ACHIEVEMENTS:

- 141 numbers of youth and parents have received vocational training like sewing, mobile repairing, basic computer in Kalali, Mugu and Doti district.
- 2 group sewing centers have been established in Mugu and Kailali for income generation of parents.

Women can also do: The case of women in Kailali

I am Jharna Devi Chaudhary, the President of Sagathit Mother’s Group at Bijayanagar. The group has formed from the support of Good Neighbors Nepal. Now there are 15 members in our group. We are working for skill development of poor women group. Usually, women of ex-bonded labor settlement have no skill; they only work as daily laborer. At first GNI Nepal conducted sewing training for women of ex-bonded labor women at our village on April 2012 and supported 16 sewing machines and some raw materials for sewing center establishment. Altogether 60 women got sewing training for five months. Now we have established sewing training centre for women at Bijayanagar. Altogether 62 women are getting training from the centre. We have hired two trainers for technical support in the training. Now we are making plan to construct house for sewing training centre. I appreciate Good Neighbors for women empowerment. In our community people think that women are only housewife but if provided an opportunity women can do everything.
7283 farmers are raising the income through group and individual farming after support from GN Nepal. In Mugu and Humla district, farmers started to generate income through Atis (Aconitum Heterophyllum) selling. Self-entrepreneurship development by the farmers related to poultry farming in Kailali and Bardiya district. 4 cooperatives were established and operated in Mugu and Humla district. Farmers stopped to work in the mine industry and involved in tomato farming. 65% of the migration to India was decreased by the income generation program support in the target community.
“The Land is Family”. Which means land is the base of survival. Group farming is our main base in income generation, which unites the community for equity livelihood improvement and sustainability.

**Group farming to Cooperative: Leaping towards sustainability**

Hello, I am Parbal Bohora (50 years). I live in Kharpunath VDC ward no. 1, Takla, in Humla district. I am the Chairperson of Bageshwori Agriculture Cooperatives. We formed cooperative in our community with the help of Good Neighbors Nepal. At first, GN Nepal formed the apple farming groups for generating income through group farming approach and provided apple saplings. Then we started group farming in the community. GN Nepal also provided different trainings for apple farming ie; apple farm management training, training/pruning for apple. After formation of group, we also started saving money. After one year we registered cooperative with the help of GN Nepal and West Upper Poverty Alleviation Fund (WUPAP). After registration of cooperative, GN Nepal and WUPAP provided seed money for program operation. Now we had collected NRs. 150,000. Now, we started cooperative shop in our community. We sold different things as per the requirement of the community like oil, soap, sugar, noodles, tea, copy, pencil, pen etc. GN Nepal also provided opportunity for herbal market research in Nepalgunj, Surkhet. Now we are going to establish a shop in district headquarter of Humla. We also decided purchasing school stationery, uniform, school bag, toiletries etc which is required for sponsored children of GN Nepal through our cooperative. So I am very glad and give many thanks to GN Nepal for its support to register cooperative and help to change our lives.

- 236 groups of farmers had already started their savings in groups.
- Out of 7283 farmers, 25% of them started the modern technology of farming after the exposure visit.
- 51% of the agricultural trainings are based on the guidelines.
- Farmers are united for the community development and increasing the contribution in social works.
- In Kailali and Bardiya, farmers are raising pigs and based on the income from pig, they are planning to establish the cooperatives.
Participation of the women in the project activities is increased through 61 mother groups’ mobilization.

The interest of women in the project activities increased through Mom Center activities in Pathraiya, Kailali.

The coordination meeting with governmental and non-governmental agencies has decreased the duplication of the project activities in the community level and central level.

The project activities and talents of the children are shared through Parents’ Day in the projects.
Good Neighbors believe on participation and ownership of the community, and coordination and collaboration with stakeholders. For the sustainable community development, we need active participation and ownership of the local community. Similarly, we necessitate coordination and collaboration of stakeholders and line agencies. It leads to sustainability.

**Leadership development: Strengthening capacity through child club**

Hello! My name is Shanta Nagarkoti. I live in Shikharpa, Lele. I am the student of class 7 in Shree Saraswoti Lower Secondary School. I am also the Chairperson of the Saraswoti Child Club. Life has completely changed after the involvement in child club. Before I was involved in the child club I was a very normal girl. But after involvement in the child club, I began to explore my skills through participating in meetings, trainings, exposure visits and social activities in my village. Such things have developed my facilitation skills as well as build up my confidence for leadership. Now I conduct the different orientation classes in the school and support the social activities conducted in my village as well as perform in various awareness campaigns. People in my village and school now recognize me as a very active girl. This identity really gives me pleasure. I have received many awards and appreciation for my works. It was only possible through Good Neighbors support. I am very happy and thank Good Neighbors for providing us such platform to enhance our capacity.

- Participation in community contribution of the community people has increased up to 20% in each development activities.
- Farmers group and mothers group had already started saving and leading to establish the cooperative.
- The collaboration with government in the community development activities increased the exposure and joint activities in the local level too.
Advocacy

ACHIEVEMENTS:

- Community people can express their right and responsibilities.
- Establishing concept one child one tree in community.
- Gardening management at school through eco-friendly movement.
- People started develop the local food for food security.
- Advocacy and awareness on gender, caste increased the active participation of women and dalits in the developmental activities
- Street drama has reduced the open defecation, and alcoholism in the community.
- School teachers are being regular at school through child-club movement.
To strengthen and foster the internal capacity of the community people, advocacy plays the vital role. It also plays the role for the awareness raising in different burning issues. Good Neighbors is also facilitating to raise the awareness of target community through different advocacy programs.

Community Change through Campaigning after Training

Namaste (Greetings in Nepali), I am Tulsana Bohora, 40 years, the resident of Gola VDC, Bardiya, Nepal. I was ignorant about Gender and Women rights issues. I was suffering from community superstition and patriarchal society.

Once, I got an opportunity to participate at Gender and Reproductive Health Right Training, Human Trafficking and Safe Migration Training, Awareness Campaign on Global Warming and Climate Change. After getting training, it changed my concept and I utilized my knowledge at different meetings and to my community people. I encouraged local women to go against alcoholism, raised awareness against discrimination between sons and daughter and leadership development of women. At the meeting of Mother's Group, I motivated the women for raising awareness on alcoholisms.

One day, we moved to Ram Bahadur Chaudhary 35, who used to beat his children and wife after drinking alcohol. We counseled him frequently and now he had completely changed his behavior and helps his children in study and wife in her household works. Likewise, we played bhaili (the cultural singing and dancing program) and through it we encouraged women to go against superstition and alcoholism. As a woman volunteer health worker, I used to increase awareness on reproductive issues and rights of women and children.

Now, there is decreasing gender discrimination in our community. It is our great achievement through awareness raising program in our community. I want to thank GN Nepal for changing my life.
The emergency response is primarily focused on protection of children and their families form a humanitarian crisis. GNI provides assistance as emergency response to major disasters to secure right to life of the affected population in coordination with the district coordination committee.

**ACHIEVEMENTS:**

- Provided emergency relief support to 125 households in Kailali and 1 in Humla.
Finance

In 2012 from 1st January to 31st December 2012, the total income was NRs. 273,518,687.29 and the expenditure was 247,126,392.84 whereas the balance was 26,392,294.45.

Human Resource

Gender wise distribution

Ethnicity wise distribution