



SPONSOR A CHILD

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1. Title of Project

Support for deserving needy children towards their educational expenses to enable them to achieve their full academic potential and become self-reliant citizens.

2. Proposal

Sponsor A Child (SAC) identifies needy students through schools across Mauritius and Rodrigues and allocates a monthly allowance, as follows:

- Rs 750 for primary and lower secondary students,
- Rs 1,000 for students in Grades 10 to 13.

Generally our members meet with sponsored students in schools or in the office. Schools provide the term results of the beneficiaries and complete the questionnaires we have for additional feedback on students' academic and individual progress.

SAC is calling for corporate sponsorship to support its activities. Below is a table representing the level of funding required for a twelve-month period for sponsoring 1 to 5 students.

No. of children	Yearly funding (Rs)				
	1	2*	3*	4*	5*
Primary /Lower Secondary	9,000	20,700	31,050	41,400	51,750
Secondary (grades 10-13)	12,000	27,600	41,400	55,200	69,000

* Figures include a 15% charge that goes towards administrative support.

3. Target population

The students we support come from large or broken families with little or no income and relying on social security benefits to make ends meet.

In 2022, our beneficiaries' profile was as follows:

- 54 were from single parent families through separation, divorce or death
- 20 have been abandoned by their parents and living with grandparents
- 7 whose parents were relying only on the invalid pension to survive
- 2 living in a home.

4. Achievement

In its 19 years of operation, SAC has assisted nearly 2,800 students throughout the schooling system, some right from primary school through to secondary. At least 60 students have gone on to pursue tertiary education.

In spite of the difficulties faced by students with successive waves of COVID-19, school closures and the introduction of online classes, our students performed well at national exams in 2021.

National Education Certificate (NCE)

Twelve of the 16 entrants were promoted to Grade 10. Four others are repeating to improve their Maths or English. One student obtained distinction in all subjects and transferred to Royal College Curepipe, an academy school.

School Certificate (SC)

Thirty students sat for the exams and 26 passed and of those 16 obtained the 5 credits required for HSC. Fifteen students scored A's.

Higher School Certificate (HSC)

Thirteen students passed and 2 obtained the General Certificate of Education (GCE) Award. One student scored all As and ranked in the top 20 of the Science stream.

4. Issue

The recent changes to the allocation of the Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) fund has resulted in a marked drop in funding accruing from our traditional corporate sponsors. Additional corporate funding is needed to sustain our commitment to sponsored students.


