

Open prize contest for aid organisations founded by Tibetans in exile

Dear readers,

For the year 2022 we have come up with something special. For once, we wish to honour the valuable commitment of various aid organisations working for Tibet and Tibetans.

The requirement for contest participation, is that the aid organisation has been founded by Tibetans in exile.

The fields of operation of the various aid organisations are widely spread. There are organisations that support Tibetans and their culture in German-speaking countries, as well as those that support them in Nepal or India, run orphanages, or try to help Tibetans in rural areas.

If you are involved in an aid organisation founded by Tibetans in exile, or if you know of such an organisation, we would be happy to place a feature in one of the next three issues of tibetfocus. The winners will be published in the fourth issue in 2022.

Attractive prizes await. We would like to support the further work of the winning organisation with a main prize of CHF 1,000, as well as two other organisations with CHF 500 each.

We look forward to receiving numerous submissions from aid organisations, with a presentation of their work and activities. A reference of latest projects and activities would be beneficial. The individual presentations should not exceed 1 page in length (this corresponds to 3,800 characters with picture).

The editorial deadline for the next issue is 20th February 2022. Please submit your text with picture to buero@gstf.org by then.

You, dear readers, are cordially invited to actively participate in the selection of the winners. Provided we have your e-mail address, you will also receive an e-mail in due course. Voting will then also be possible online via our website. The final decision however, rests with the jury team of the tibetfocus editorial team. No account will be given of the individual decision-making processes.

On the part of the jury team, we want to ensure, that the evaluation is as comprehensive and objective as possible. Therefore, based on the 17 Sustainable Development Goals of the United Nations, we have agreed on seven evaluation criteria for the present call for proposals.

These are:

1. **Ending poverty** – ending poverty in all its forms everywhere.
2. **Healthy lives for all** – ensuring healthy lives for people of all ages, and promoting their well-being; sufficient and healthy food for all
3. **Education for all** – ensure inclusive, equitable and quality education. Promote lifelong learning opportunities for all
4. **Water and sanitation for all** – ensure availability and sustainable management of water and sanitation for all
5. **Reduce inequality** – reduce inequality within and between countries (also try to reduce inequality between Tibetans and Chinese), and ensure and promote gender equality
6. **Peace, justice and strong institutions** – promote peaceful and inclusive societies for a sustainable development, provide access to justice for all, and build effective, accountable and inclusive institutions at all levels
7. **Promoting sustainability in all sectors** – energy, economy and labour, cities and settlements, consumer and production methods, climate, nature and the environment.

Now we wish all submitting institutions good luck, and look forward to receiving numerous contributions!

Your tibetfocus editorial team