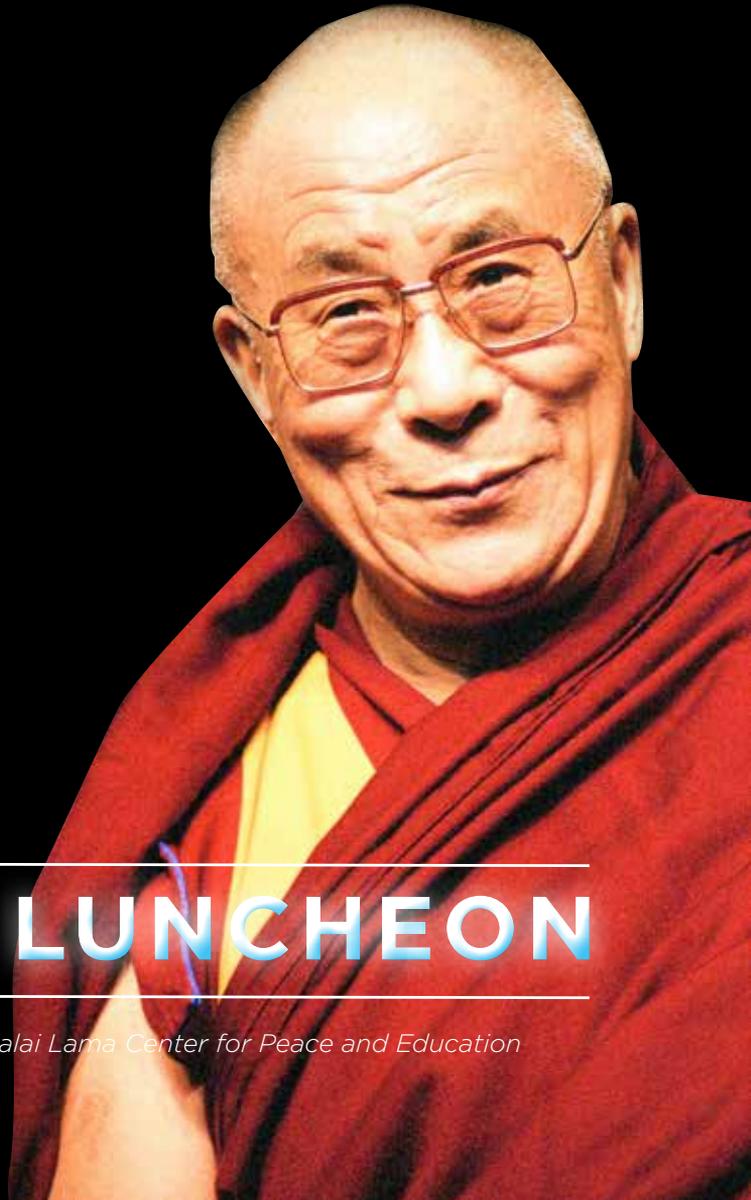


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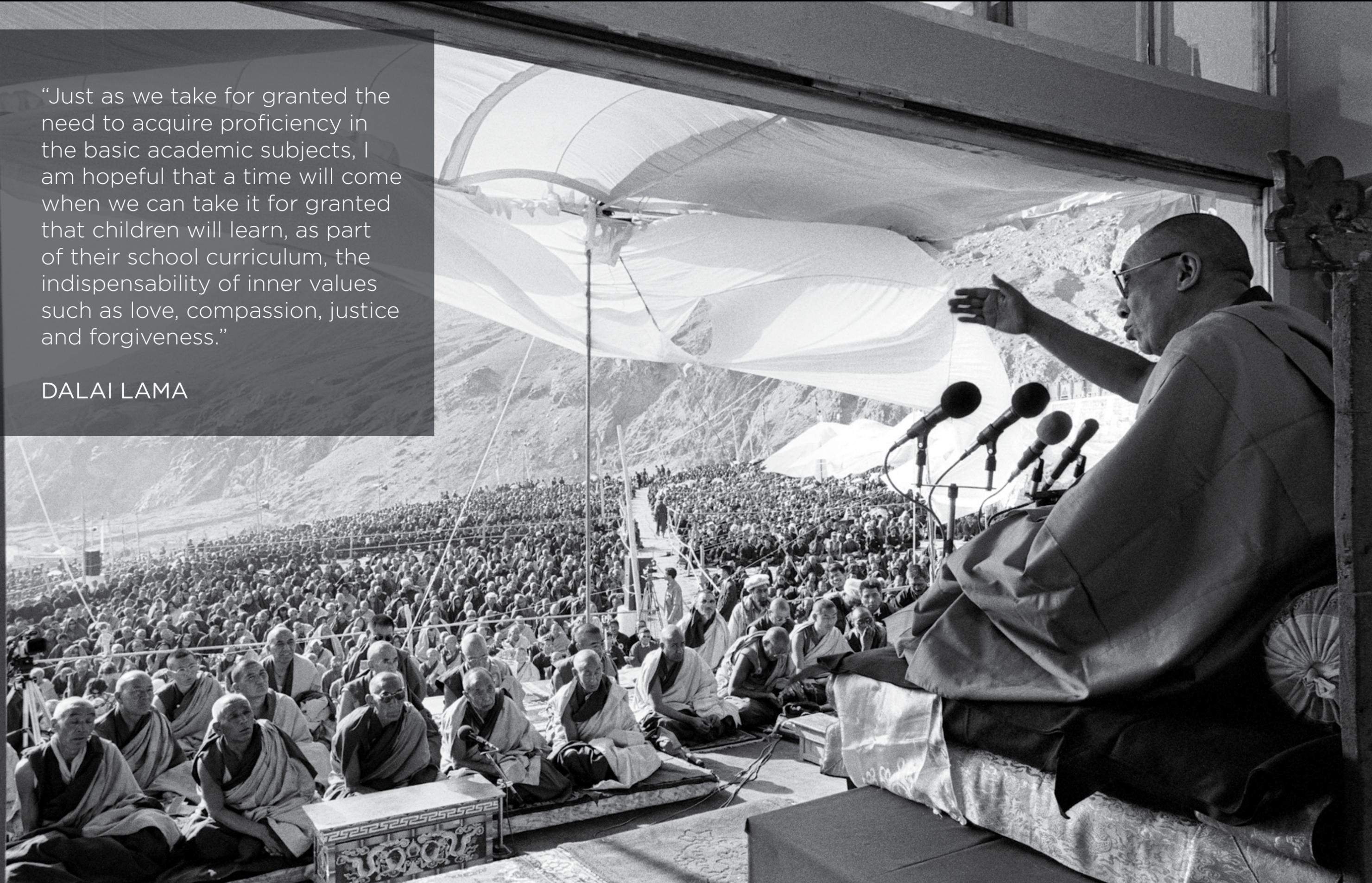


DALAI LAMA LUNCHEON

With His Holiness the Dalai Lama to benefit the Dalai Lama Center for Peace and Education

“Just as we take for granted the need to acquire proficiency in the basic academic subjects, I am hopeful that a time will come when we can take it for granted that children will learn, as part of their school curriculum, the indispensability of inner values such as love, compassion, justice and forgiveness.”

DALAI LAMA



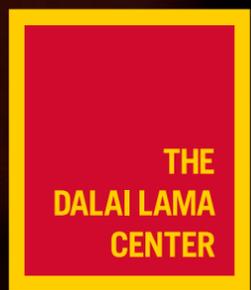


Lift The Children is a non-profit society dedicated to seeking out the world's most destitute children and helping provide them with the necessities, training, and inspiration they need to develop, grow, and become self-sufficient.

We work in some of the poorest slums in the world to provide aid DIRECTLY to orphanages caring for their children. 100% of all donations go directly to the orphanages.

Lift the Children is inclusive of all faiths and cultures, and is committed to feeding and educating children and to LIFT them out of poverty. We are currently helping support over 10,000 children in more than 80 orphanages in East Africa and have begun to implement long term self-sustainability programs with a goal of educating the poor out of poverty.

Our strategy is to reorient the agriculture and farming systems currently in use towards methods of food production that are highly productive, sustainable, and drought resistant. Over time, these programs will help to provide mass poverty reduction through education. Our goal is to educate over 2 million people in permaculture over the next 5 years.



The Dalai Lama Center (DLC) for Peace and Education is a non-religious, non-political, non-profit organization. As one of only four organizations worldwide personally endorsed by the Dalai Lama, the DLC has embarked on a strategy of supporting, encouraging, and leading a rising tide of awareness and action toward educating the hearts of children.

Working with leaders in education, science, government, business, and philanthropy who understand the value of advancing heart-mind well-being, the Dalai Lama Center is focusing on programs that educate, convene, advise, and apply research.

THE VISION: to cultivate a vibrant culture of peace and dialogue where caring communities nurture compassionate, thriving, socially-responsible children who rise to the challenges and opportunities of the 21st Century.

DALAI LAMA

LUNCHEON

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

11:00	Registration & Security Check
11:30	Welcome Remarks
11:45	Lunch
12:10	His Holiness the XIV Dalai Lama
12:30	Humanitarian Awards Presentation
12:55	Closing Remarks

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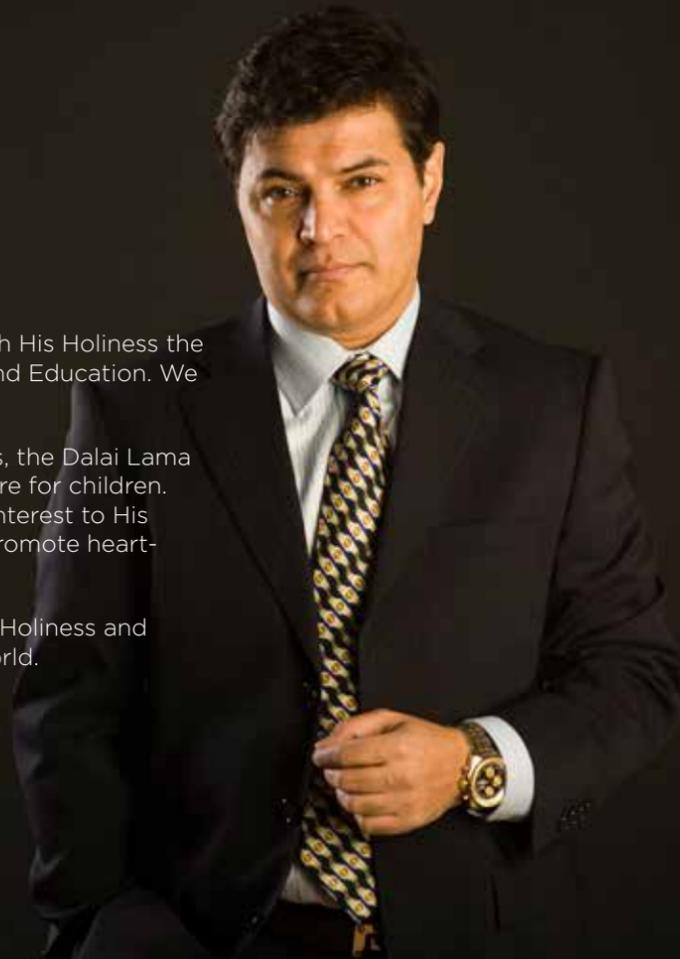
It is my privilege to welcome you to this private luncheon with His Holiness the XIV Dalai Lama to benefit the Dalai Lama Center for Peace and Education. We are honoured and grateful to have you as our guests today.

As one of the world's most charismatic and influential leaders, the Dalai Lama inspires us to foster a more compassionate and peaceful future for children. This visit and luncheon will reflect several themes of special interest to His Holiness, including the mission of the Dalai Lama Center to promote heart-mind learning in children.

The luncheon will include a special message delivered by His Holiness and individuals who embrace the mission of a peaceful shared world.

Thank you for being here and thank you for caring.

Abdul Ladha



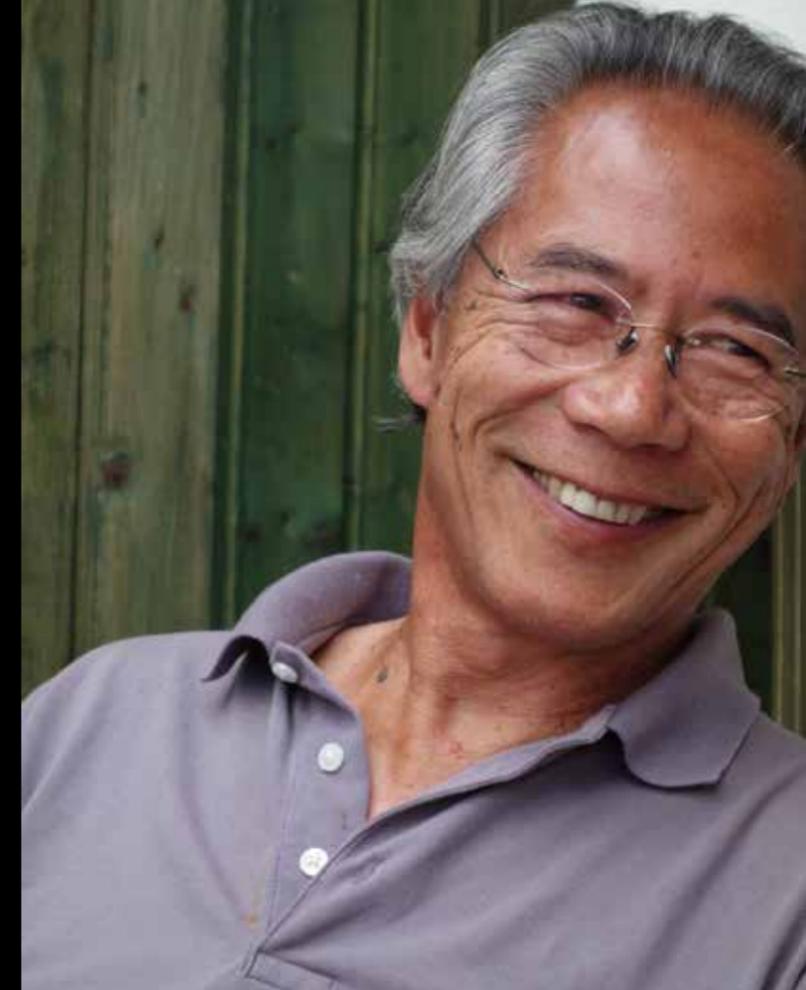
VICTOR CHAN

Founding Director of the Dalai Lama Center for Peace and Education

Victor Chan has known the Dalai Lama for over 40 years, and in 2005, they co-founded the Dalai Lama Center for Peace and Education.

Victor's journey began in 1971 when on a trip to Afghanistan, he was abducted, together with two fellow travellers, Cheryl from New York and Rita from Munich, by three rifle-wielding Afghan men. They managed to escape after three days and Victor traveled with Cheryl to India. It turned out that she had a letter of introduction to the Dalai Lama. In 1972, Victor, an ethnic Chinese, sat face-to-face with the exiled Tibetan leader for the first of many encounters. This unusual story is first told in the *Wisdom of Forgiveness: Intimate Conversations and Journeys* (Riverhead Books, 2004), a book co-authored by the Dalai Lama and Chan. The book was short-listed for the Best Spiritual Book of 2005 (Nautilus Prize, New York) and translated into 14 languages.

In 2012, The Dalai Lama and Victor Chan co-authored *Wisdom of Compassion: Stories of Remarkable Encounters and Timeless Insights* (Riverhead, January 2013). Victor has now invited the Dalai Lama to Vancouver four times in ten years.



DIANNE WATTS

Master of Ceremonies, Mayor of Surrey

Dianne Watts has been the Mayor of Surrey, British Columbia for the last nine years and was ranked the 4th best mayor in the world in 2010. Mayor Watts won three consecutive elections, commanding a staggering 81% of the votes during her second term.

Under her leadership, the City of Surrey has become one of Canada's fastest-growing cities and has achieved one of the lowest tax rates in Canada. Surrey has been named the best place in BC and the 4th best city in Canada to invest 4 years in a row.

Mayor Watts has effectively managed the growth of Surrey by meeting the challenge of today while planning for her city's future. She is moving the City of Surrey from a suburb of Vancouver into a great, modern, progressive city in its own right. She is doing this by successfully fighting the city's long crime history and by establishing a new City Centre downtown core that includes a major British Columbia university, a new city hall, theatre, regional library, and other public facilities. She is doing all this without being attached to any traditional political party and runs the city's affairs in a non-partisan manner.



FIONA DOUGLAS-CRAMPTON

President and CEO of the Dalai Lama Center for Peace and Education

Fiona is the President & CEO for the Dalai Lama Center for Peace and Education. She has a very diverse background in business and non-profit leadership. At the heart of all her work is a focus on building strong, meaningful relationships externally and internally. Fiona is passionate about her work, and her leadership style is collaborative and energetic, with an emphasis on bringing out the best in her team and creating a positive work environment.

Fiona is dedicated to achieving the vision of the Dalai Lama Center of focusing on programs and working with leaders in education, science, government, business and philanthropy who understand the value of advancing heart-mind well-being. Using local, regional, national and international connections, she is working with the Dalai Lama Center in helping to share evidence-based practice and encourage collaboration.

DALAI LAMA HUMANITARIAN AWARD

For the first time ever, the Dalai Lama Center and His Holiness the Dalai Lama will recognize three outstanding individuals who, through their devotion to philanthropy and humanitarian causes worldwide, have made positive, lasting social change.

The recipients of this Humanitarian Award exemplify the spirit of the award through their vision and leadership. They have proven that diverse sectors of society can work together locally and abroad to successfully devise solutions that help build individuals and healthy communities.

Honorees are chosen based on their innovative approaches, and on the demonstrated results and sustainability of their work. Through their uncommon abilities to strengthen civil society, these visionaries inspire us all to take action and to become true global citizens.



FRANK GIUSTRA

Recipient of the 2014 Dalai Lama Humanitarian Award

Frank Giustra is an accomplished businessman and a global philanthropic leader. Frank has established a successful history of building natural resource companies through access to capital and creative deal-making, and now leads Fiore Financial, a private firm managing a broad portfolio of private equity investments.

Frank is also a maverick entrepreneur with a well-known track record in the film industry. In 1997, he founded Lionsgate Entertainment, now one of the world's largest independent film companies. He is also an active director and investor in Thunderbird Films.

A role model to many, Frank supports a wide variety of international and local charities, focusing on issues ranging from disaster relief, economic development, and homelessness to offering children around the world hope for a better future. Frank has been contributing to improving the standard of living worldwide for over a decade:

- In 1997, he founded the Radcliffe Foundation that has contributed \$30 million towards the Clinton HIV/AIDS Initiative (CHAI), which works with governments and other partners to increase access to high-quality care and treatment for HIV-positive people.
- In 2005, the Radcliffe Foundation began supporting the International Crisis Group, an independent organization working to prevent and resolve deadly conflict on five continents through analyses and high-level advocacy. With the personal support of Frank, today, the International Crisis Group is generally recognized as the world's leading independent, non-partisan source of analyses and advice to governments and intergovernmental bodies like the United Nations, the European Union, and the World Bank on the prevention and resolution of deadly conflict.
- In 2007, Frank launched the Clinton Giustra Enterprise Partnership with U.S. President Bill Clinton and pledged \$100 million to help under-served communities work themselves out of poverty. Together they have successfully helped tens of thousands throughout the world in communities where poverty is wide spread including Colombia, Peru, Mexico, Haiti and India. CGEP is dedicated to supporting people not through charity, but by helping them achieve sustainability and create their own economic support systems.

Frank's equally notable contributions are his quiet influence and steadfast commitment to smaller local organizations in his own back-yard. Frank donated \$5 million and became a founder and director of Street to Home, a Foundation that envisions access to safe, clean and affordable housing for everyone in Vancouver. He is also an active mentor to the Boys Club Network, an organization that offers support and mentorship to high-risk and troubled youth. Frank doesn't stop at writing a cheque, he rolls up his sleeves and, against all odds, invests the same passion and energy he has put into his business ventures into giving these youth a second chance. Frank's greatest investment is in the youth he inspires.



Frank Giustra is CHANGING LIVES

DJAVAD MOWAFAGHIAN

Recipient of the 2014 Dalai Lama Humanitarian Award

Djavad Mowafaghian has humble roots. He was born in Tehran, Iran, in 1927 and was raised in a modest household by his mother, after losing his father at the age of one. He attributes his passion for giving to his beloved Mother, who taught him at a young age to be kind and generous. The mandate he would give to the foundation he would create later in life - to help children through health and education - was inspired by his mother's teachings and frequent examples of compassionate giving, and his own love of children.

Educated in Iran, and with a determination to work hard and succeed, Djavad established one of the largest Iranian general contracting companies of the 1970s. The company constructed major hospitals, factories, housing developments and roads.

He built 26 schools in Iran, totaling over 800,000 square feet of educational facilities. Today, these schools educate 22,000 students annually, ranging from elementary age to young adults focusing on technical and trades studies. Several of the schools are designed specifically for visually and hearing impaired students, and physically disabled girls.

Djavad also donated the Djavad Mowafaghian Research Centre of Intelligent Neuro-Rehabilitation Technologies building to Tehran's Sharif University.

In 2003, he founded The Djavad Mowafaghian Foundation and transferred all of the assets from his commercial enterprises, valued in excess of \$120 Million, into the foundation. The mandate of the foundation is to better the lives of children through health and education.

He continued his philanthropic efforts on a grand scale in British Columbia, contributing in excess of \$50 million to over 20 local charities, including:

- The UBC Centre for Brain Health
- The Cinema and Arts Centre at Simon Fraser University
- Health Sciences at Simon Fraser University
- The Oncology Wing & New Childcare Centre at the BC Children's Hospital
- The UBC Bio Diversity Museum
- Lions Gate Hospital
- VGH Hospital

Now in his 80's he lives a modest life. After contributing to the well being of others, Djavad says his needs are simple compared to the needs of others. "For me", he said, " I need a plate, a bit of salad, and a bed." For others, he gives the world.

Djavad Mowafaghian is CHANGING LIVES





John Volken is CHANGING LIVES

JOHN VOLKEN

Recipient of the 2014 Dalai Lama Humanitarian Award

John Volken's life exemplifies a true story of success, a rags-to-riches transformation, and then the act of giving it all away to help those in most desperate need of help.

John was born in December 1941 in Potsdam, a city that became part of communist East Germany. His father, a medical doctor, died near the end of the Second World War when John was only three years old. Due to her poor health, John's mother was forced to put John and his two brothers in an orphanage for a short time. While those early years were difficult, he now views them as having had a very positive influence on his life.

At 18, John immigrated to Canada with virtually nothing but enthusiasm. He started out as a farm labourer, dishwasher, and construction worker. When he became comfortable with the English language, he turned to sales and business, and soon realized that he had found his niche. In 1981, he opened a small furniture store and went on to build it into one of the largest furniture retail chains in North America, with over 150 locations. For his accomplishments, John received many awards, including "Entrepreneur of the Year" for Canada's Pacific Region.

In 2004, having achieved financial success, John sold his furniture business to follow his heart and become a full-time social entrepreneur. He transferred all the proceeds and assets of the business into charitable foundations in Canada and the US, at a combined value of over \$150 million, with the sole purpose of helping those in need. At that time, he traveled to Africa to see how he could help that continent's destitute children. After seeing first-hand the terrible plight of its many orphans, John formed Lift the Children. This registered charitable organization's sole purpose is to help the most destitute children, providing them with food, housing, and education, with the ultimate goal that they become self-sufficient. Currently Lift the Children supports over 80 orphanages.

John researched other areas of social neglect where he could make a lasting difference. The result was the founding of the John Volken Academy - a long term residential drug and alcohol addiction treatment centre for young men and women. Treatment is free of charge to those who are committed to change their lives. The Program is truly life changing, particularly as eliminating addiction is only the first step in the process. Students also develop strong character, morality, and all the life-skills needed to stay sober and be contributing members of society - **For Life**. The Academy currently has campuses in British Columbia, Arizona, and Washington, with more in the planning.

John is a role model for all of society, exemplified in part by his modest lifestyle. He leads a life completely devoid of opulence and extravagance. He is a constant reminder to us, his students, and those he cares for, of the importance of simplicity, moderation, and giving.

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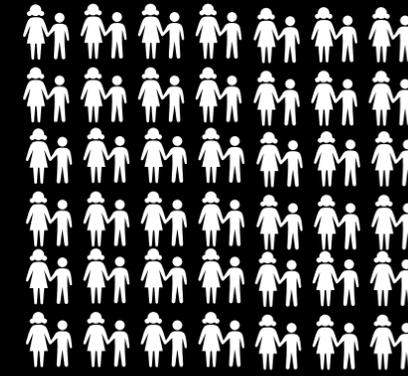
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OUR GOAL

5
YEARS

2
MILLION
PEOPLE

SELF-SUSTAINABILITY THROUGH EDUCATION



THE PROBLEM

48.3 million orphans
in Africa



239 million people
undernourished

OUR APPROACH



FOR THE BODY –
provide nutrition
and shelter



FOR THE MIND –
provide education



FOR THE SPIRIT –
self-sustainability

OUR GOAL

“To lift children out of poverty and educate over 2 million people in 5 years.”

For Lift to enable the children it currently cares for, and those it will endeavor to care for in the future become self-sufficient, Lift has begun to implement long term self-sustainability programs with a goal of educating the poor out of poverty.

Lift the Children is committed to a strategy of reorienting the agricultural & farming system currently in use in Africa towards methods of food production that are highly productive, highly sustainable, and that contribute to the progressive realization of the human right to adequate food.

The backbone of this strategy is based on the agricultural science of permaculture.



Our Strategy

We promote Heart-Mind well-being by working in four key areas:

Evidence

We source and share research on the need for Heart-Mind well-being in our communities, and provide knowledge translation based on the most current research.

Measurement

Together with UBC's Human Early Learning Partnership, we provide communities with data that show where their children are in five key areas of Heart-Mind well-being, and set benchmarks for development.

Engagement

We host events and workshops that bring educators, parents and community stakeholders together to learn, share & network. We advocate to government and policy-makers for systemic changes that will help accomplish our mission.

Resources

We develop and provide access to tools, resources, education & programming for everyone who cares for and about children.

Our Vision: Compassionate children in a peaceful world.

The Dalai Lama Center is inspired by the Dalai Lama's belief in the importance of Heart-Mind education. We focus on enabling positive human qualities in children and youth, especially in British Columbia.

Although we know that schools are crucial in developing both hearts and minds, we also know that the responsibility extends much more widely: to families and communities, to informal teachers and systems of support, to scientists and policy-makers, to all who influence the environments that surround children.

We focus our efforts on British Columbia because it is our home, and because there are so many strengths to build upon. Remarkable efforts are underway in schools and communities all across the Province to foster the social and emotional development of children and youth, and groundbreaking research and policy innovations are underway right here.

By linking research to effective practices, sharing and advancing knowledge, and supporting creative collaborations across British Columbia and beyond, we seek to stimulate a rising tide of awareness and action toward educating the hearts of children.

We believe that British Columbia can lead in creating a new model for learning and change, in which adults seed a peaceful world through their children. Compassionate children shape a better future for the good of all.

"We seek to stimulate a rising tide of awareness and action toward educating the hearts of children."

Geoff Plant

Geoff Plant
Incoming Board Chair

SILENT AUCTION



HANDCRAFTED WING CHAIRS USED BY HIS HOLINESS THE DALAI LAMA

Bid on the two luxurious Pearson Collection handcrafted wing chairs used by His Holiness the Dalai Lama during his 2014 visit. For over 70 years, Pearson has been known for handmade upholstery crafted with exceptional quality.

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To place a bid, please fill out the bid card on your table or submit a bid to info@liftthechildren.org or call/text 778-999-4272.

Bidding closes October 25, 2014. Current minimum bid is \$10,000.

THANK YOU

The Dalai Lama and the Dalai Lama Center for Peace and Education

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