



ABOUT US

SOS Children's Villages is an international organization founded in 1949 with presence in 134 countries around the world -on 5 continents- taking care of 670.000 children and youth.

The first SOS Children's Village was founded by Hermann Gmeiner in 1949 in Imst, Austria. He was committed to helping children in need – children who had lost their homes, their security and their families as a result of the Second World War. With the support of many donors and co-workers, our organization has grown to help children all over the world.

We take action for children as an independent nongovernmental social development organization. We respect varying religions and cultures, and we work in countries and communities where our mission can contribute to development. We work in the spirit of the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child and we promote these rights around the world.

For us the superior interest of child is the foundation of all our actions and decisions.

We work to provide family-based care for children deprived of parental care in our Villages, and to strengthen families at social risk through our prevention programs, to ensure that their children grow up in a stable environment.

Our goal is to ensure that at-risk children and youth over the world can grow up in a loving home with the same opportunities for success as other children.

SOS Children's Villages Spain (Aldeas Infantiles SOS España) has eight Villages in Spain and finances fifteen Villages in Latin America and Africa, and complementary prevention programs taking care of 23.503 children and youth in 2014.

RATIONALE

As a result of the economic crisis in Spain the number of children living below the poverty line has increased dramatically. This is of concern to us as children are the first to suffer when their parents lose their jobs or when their family income is diminished, and the quality of their nutrition or care is compromised.

In Spain the figures are alarming - is the second country in the European Union with a higher rate of child poverty.

In our prevention programs we do everything possible to support families who are suffering dramatic situations including evictions and lack of economical resources, by helping them through our professionals to find employment and to provide proper care to their children.

This dramatic situation has driven us to create new programs.

FREE SCHOOL MEALS PROGRAM

In 2012 we started our free school meals program for children at social risk. This allows them to have at least one meal with the necessary nutrients in their schools (on school days), improving their health and their health and school achievement and enable them to follow a normal life

Our overall goal is to reduce the suffering undergone by children as a result of the current economic situation, and to strengthen and normalize their family environments in order to improve their quality of life.

The number of beneficiaries of this program is 554 and the running cost is 5 euros child/day and 900 euros per child/year.

BUDGET FOR FREE SCHOOL MEALS PROGRAM

Expenses	
<i>Salaries</i>	<i>Worker 1 SOS Spain: 5.761,98€ Worker 2 SOS Spain: 4.794,26€</i>
<i>Supplies</i>	498.600€ (The running cost for free School meals program is 5 euros child/day and 900 euros per child/year)

Beneficiaries: 554 children
Cost per Child/Day : €5
School Days per month: 20 days
School Months per year: 9 months
Cost 1 annual free school meals: €900
Cost 554 annual free school meals: € 498.600 (\$ 546.863)