

Annual Report 2018

Sunsar Maya offers a unique, progressive approach to tackling some of Nepal's most difficult challenges, and helping its most vulnerable residents build pathways out of poverty.



Our Programs



SuMa After-School

Our after-school program (ASP) is the first of its kind in Nepal. Through it we provide children and youth with progressive education, medical care, and nutritional support in a caring and safe environment. We have two SuMa ASP sites. In 2018, we served 55 children, ages 3-17, in our Jorpati Center. In our Mahalaxmi Center, we served 58 children, ages 6-12.

> children served in Jorpati children served in Mahalaxmi

SuMa Women's Literacy

Educate a woman and you strengthen the entire community. Our women's literacy program teaches women in the communities of Joparti and Mahalaxmi literacy, numeracy, and life skills, so they are able to better their lives and the lives of those they care for. In 2018, 92 women regularly attended our programs.







SuMa Teacher Training

We dream of reaching as many children as we can beyond the walls of our SuMa Centers. By offering training, resources, and our unique progressive curriculum to educators without access to professional development, that dream is becoming a reality. In 2017, we piloted our teacher training program in the rural villages of Nepal. In 2018, we trained 125 teachers and indirectly reached 5,641 students.





teachers trained

students reached

Highlights



Winner, Winner

We couldn't be prouder! Several of our students were recognized for their academic achievements this year in local and national competitions, including

- Most Impactful Project Award -• Global Design-a-thon 2018, Nepal
- Most Aesthetic Project Award -Bhavishya National STEAM Camp 2018
- Highly Innovative Award -Kathmandu Mini Makers Fair 2018

Tackling Trauma

Rachana Sharma joined Sunsar Maya as our first full-time mental health therapist. She's helping SuMa ASP students struggling with chronic trauma and stress using counseling, art, music, and alternative therapies. Welcome Rachana!





Laputi's Incredible News

When Laputi first joined our SuMa Women's Literacy program more than a year ago, she could barely identify her letters and was unable to do simple math problems. Today, not only is she excelling in math, she is reading and writing in both Nepali and English. And the most incredible news... Laputi opened her own business-a small retail shop where she sells clothes, shoes, and everyday necessities.



A Meaningful **First**

We provided students in our SuMa Women's Literacy program with their FIRST EVER cervical cancer screenings with help from our partner Family Planning Association Nepal.

Take a Hike!

This year's inaugural Walk, Hike, Go! took us on a global adventure! More than 120 participants on 5 continents and in 7 countries supported Sunsar Maya with yoga, walks, hikes, and more.



Keeping Count

A look at our programs by the numbers











hours of dancing, singing, and meditation



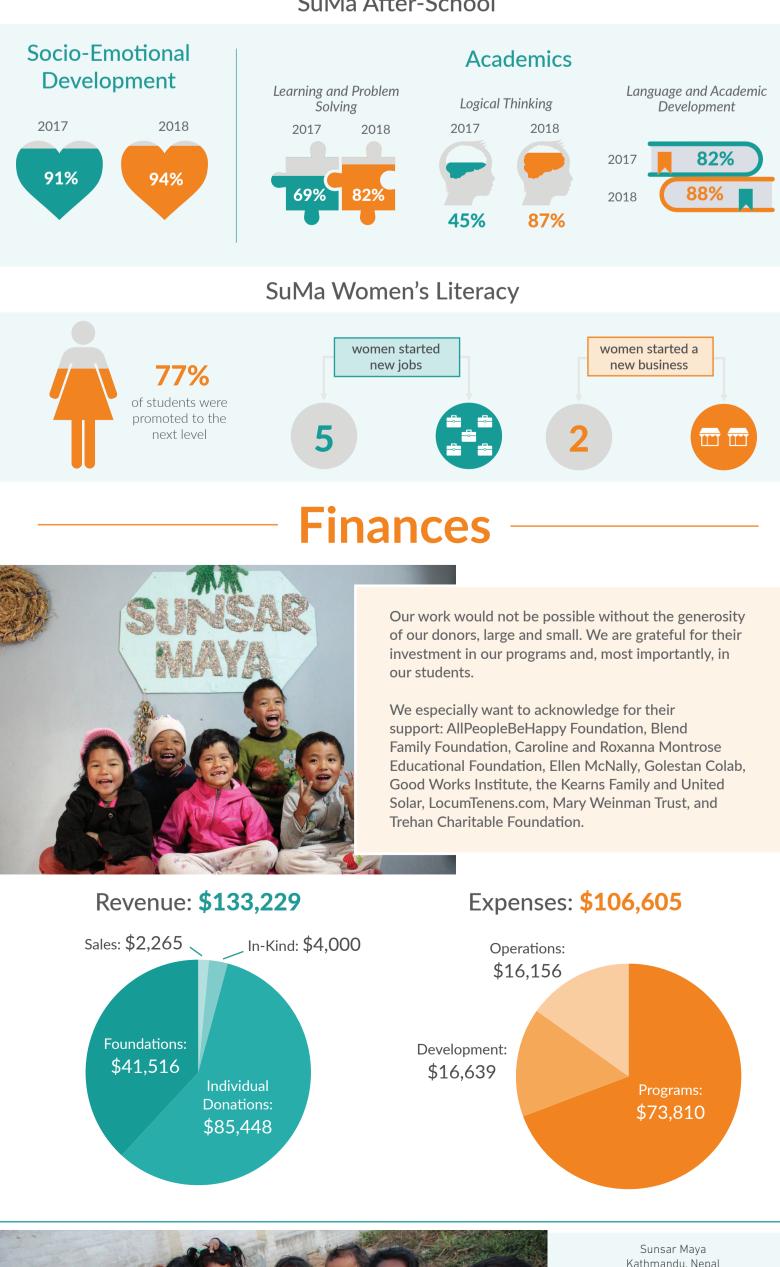




Trending Up

Our students are consistently improving and making strides on their pathway out of poverty

SuMa After-School



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