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LETTER FROM OUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Dear Minkai community:

In 2022 we were able to experience again the joy of daily encounters, workshops at schools, large social gatherings and projects, as well as hugs and laughter with the students we guide on their educational journey.

This year also brought great challenges along since returning to full-time face-to-face work involved working with a bigger number of people and communities than we did before the pandemic. There are currently 100 girls and boys participating in our scholarships and support programs from 4 rural communities in Tucumán and 1 in Catamarca (an increase of more than 156% compared to 2019). This year we are also celebrating that 19 more young people have managed to complete their secondary and higher education.

The current situation of rural education is very worrying in our country. The figures relative to access and completion of education are alarming. As a reference, 18.5% of youngsters within secondary school age living in rural areas in Tucumán do not attend school. For this reason, we celebrate this territorial growth and we continue our work

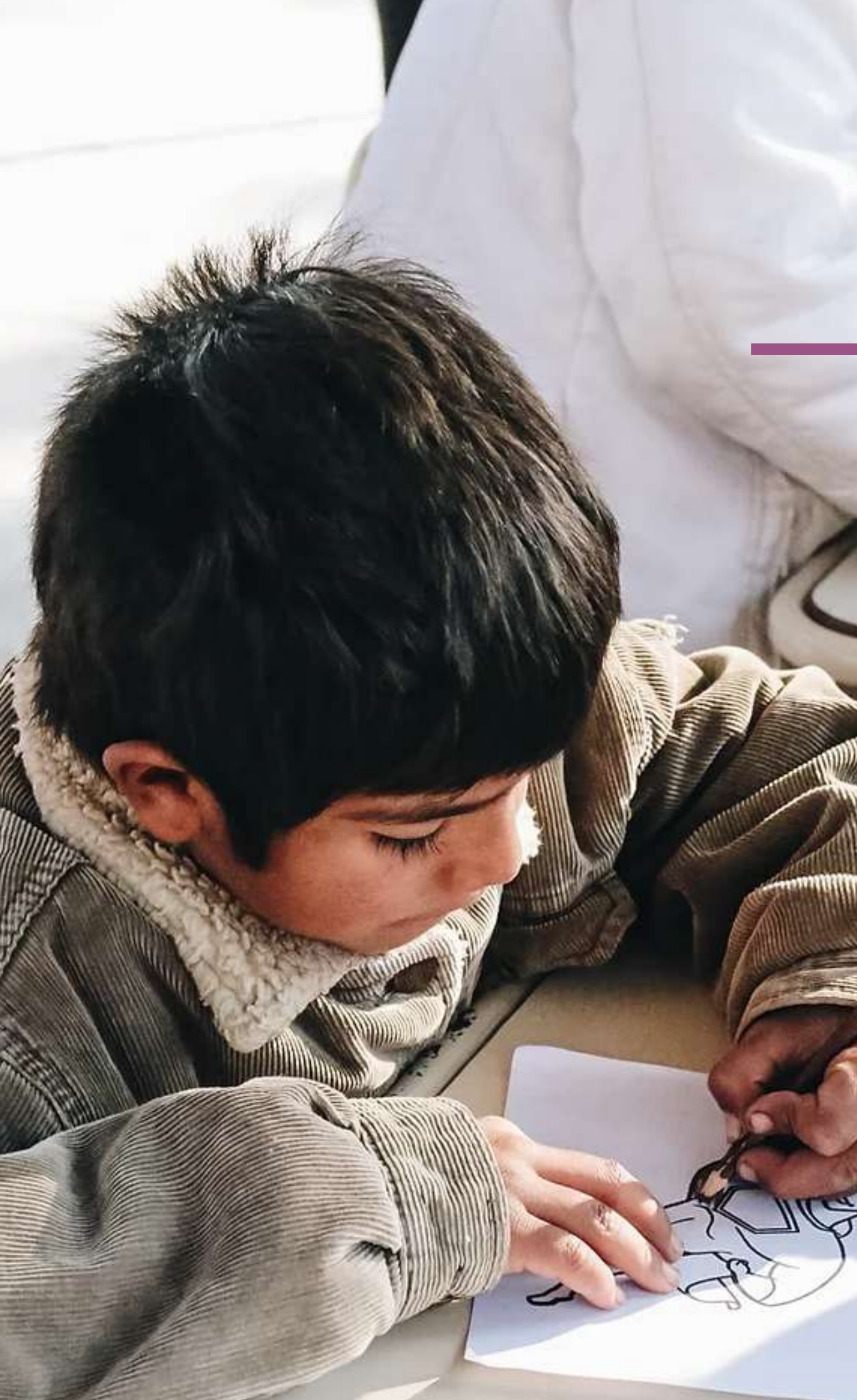
while prioritising the quality of our proposal. We have expanded the technical team that carries out the programs and we have started to implement an evaluation process for the Secondary School Scholarships Program.

There is still a lot to do and we are planning great projects for the coming years: we want to include the young people we support in the world of work and we dream of an increasingly large network of people, institutions, and companies committed to Minkai.

We want to thank you very much for being part of this team and for your commitment to improve rural education. We count on you to continue growing!

A big hug,

Patricia Juan Ramón
Directora Ejecutiva



ABOUT US

Minkai is a civil organisation that seeks to provide children and young people living in rural communities in Argentina with equal access to quality education.

Misión: Work to contribute to the improvement of the quality of education and to promote equal opportunities for children and young people with low socioeconomic resources living in rural areas of Argentina.

Visión: We want a country where all people are guaranteed access to an equal and high-quality education.

Valores:

- Empathy • Commitment • Humility •
- Respect • Transparency •



2022 IN NUMBERS

5

rural communities in Tucumán and Catamarca with permanent institutional presence.

100

100 young people, and their families, with comprehensive support to sustain their

1

graduate of the Higher Education Scholarships Program.

18

graduates of the Secondary School Scholarships Program.

5

social projects carried out by young people for the benefit of your community.

4

rural schools with whom we worked with to improve the quality of education.

80

girls and boys from Tucumán participated in Group Meetings for young people.

31

young people took part in vocational orientation workshops to learn more tools to define their life project.

107

young people visited companies to talk to professionals in different areas.

A group of people, including men and women, are walking away from the camera on a dirt path. They are dressed in casual, everyday clothing like jackets, hoodies, and jeans. The background shows a rural landscape with sparse trees and utility poles under a grey, overcast sky. The overall mood is somber and suggests a journey or migration.

WORKING AXIS





PROVIDE TOOLS FOR THE EDUCATIONAL COMMUNITY:



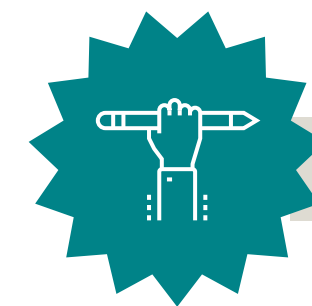
WORKSHOPS FOR FAMILIES

With the aim of strengthening the role of caregivers, we carried out 8 workshops for families in all communities. In these workshops, we worked on issues such as: 'accompanying our children in their school years', 'tools to listen better and provide support from an emotional and relational level'; 'mothers and fathers as pillars of their children'.



SOCIAL PROJECTS

We encouraged young people and their families to design, implement, and evaluate projects for the benefit of their communities, promoting them as change agents. We carried out 5 projects: 1. Planting trees at the primary school in Ampata; 2. Assembling waste bins with recycled materials in Palomino; 3. Planting trees, assembling waste bins with recycling classification, and raising awareness with information leaflets in Niogasta; 4. Making curtains for classrooms and assembling tables and chairs with pallets for the secondary school in Monte Grande; 5. Refurbishing the blackboards at the school in Famatanca.



WORKSHOPS FOR TEACHER

We accompanied teachers and directors in Tucumán listening to their needs and interests in order to provide them with the pertinent tools to carry out their work. This year we developed workshops on 'Reimagining the post-pandemic school: emotional education tools' in Monte Grande, Famaillá, and 'Prevention of adolescent suicide' in Palomino, Simoca.





SUPPORT FOR YOUNG PEOPLE:

Secondary School Scholarships Program in Tucumán and Catamarca



- We worked with young people from rural communities in Tucumán: Palomino, Ampata, and Niogasta in the department of Simoca; Monte Grande in Famailá; and the rural community of Famatanca in the department of Santa María.

- We developed fortnightly group spaces to work on key socio-emotional skills to support schooling and the design of a life project. Among the socio-emotional skills, this year we addressed: organisation of study time and space, conflict resolution, social awareness, self-esteem and self-awareness, decision-making and critical thinking.

- We organised Group Meetings in which 80 young people from Tucumán participated enjoying a day of recreation and integration.

- We held 6 vocational orientation workshops for students in their final year in each of the communities we support. We also visited companies so that they could learn about different professions and begin to connect with the world of work.





HIGHER EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIPS PROGRAM



We held meetings with scholarship holders to get to know each other and provide a space to exchange experiences.



We accompanied scholarship holders regularly to support their education.



We held 3 workshops on important topics for their professional training: study techniques, fear and anxiety management, and public speaking





NETWORKING TO STRENGTHEN OUR WORK



- We worked together with 'Fundación Bemberg' to carry out our work in the province of Catamarca.
- We continued our participation in the 'Primero Educación' and 'EduRural' networks.
- We worked together with 'Via Edu' for the development of vocational orientation workshops.
- We worked together with 'Psicología sin fronteras' to offer a workshop for teachers and families for the prevention of adolescent suicide.
- We are working with Google on a training program so that Minkai tutors can include technology in the design of tutoring spaces for secondary school students.
- We worked with 'GASNOR' and 'Transener' to organise company visits.





WE PARTICIPATED IN 'HAMBRE DE FUTURO' (HUNGRY FOR THE FUTURE)

produced by La Nación +

With the goal of positioning Minkai as a reference organisation in rural education, we participated in a documentary in the province of Tucumán which tells the life stories of scholarship students in vulnerable rural contexts. In addition to being broadcasted on Hambre de Futuro's networks and YouTube channel, our intervention was announced by 'Fundación La

Nación' to attain a wider reach.

We believe it is essential to appear in both traditional and alternative media to give more visibility to all the work we have been doing for so many years.





FUNDRAISING EVENTS



We held the Annual Cocktail 'El Valor del Encuentro' at the Faena Hotel. That night we had the support of our strategic allies Terminal Zárate, San Miguel, GASNOR, and Fundación Bemberg. Banco Ciudad, Alta Barda, Lambda Class and TN Platex also joined as sponsors. In addition, we welcomed 120 people who helped us with their donations and accompanied us on a very special night.

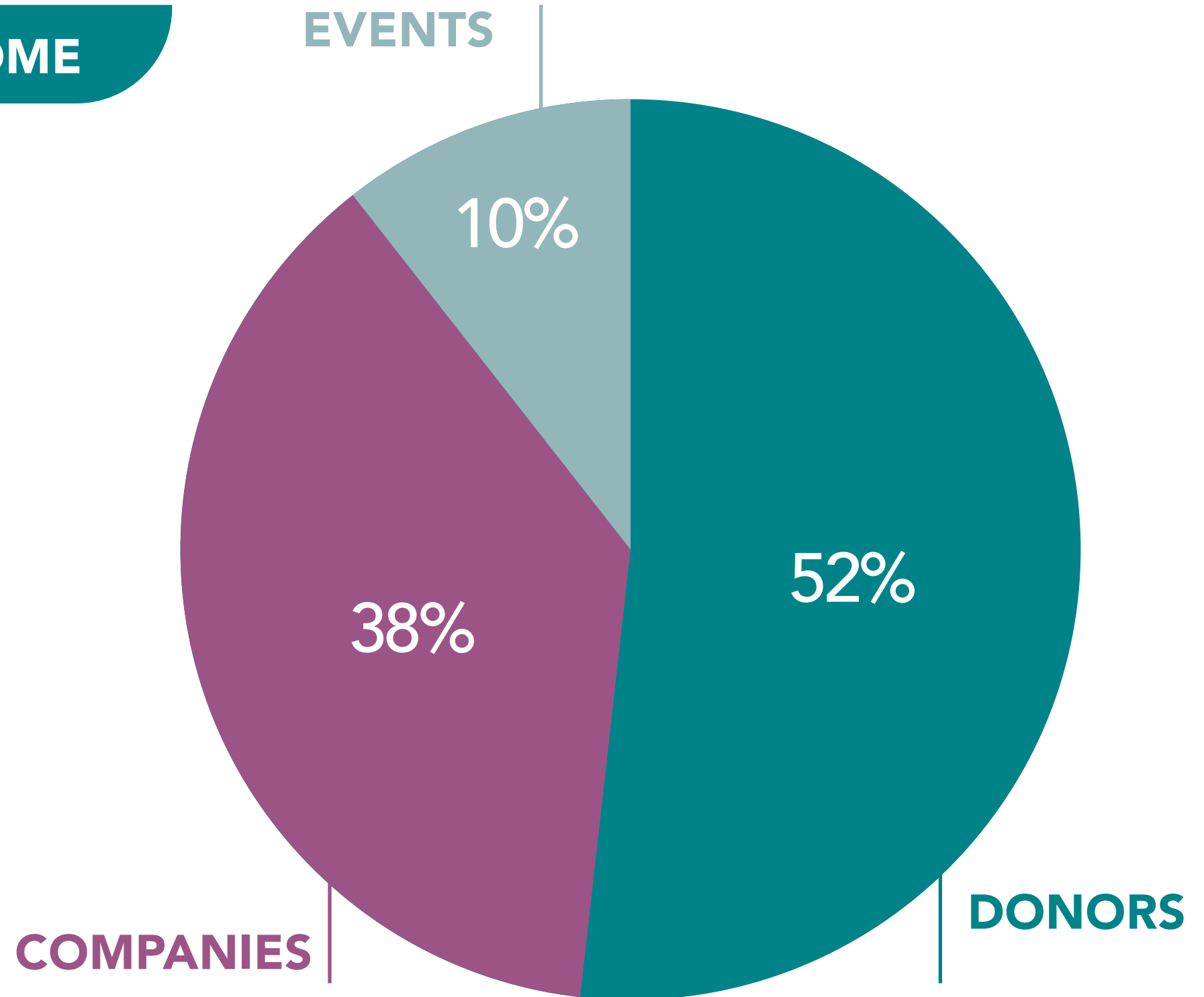
Thanks to everyone's participation in the event, we were able to raise funds equivalent to scholarships and annual support for 10 secondary school students, 10 higher education students, and 3 teacher training workshops.



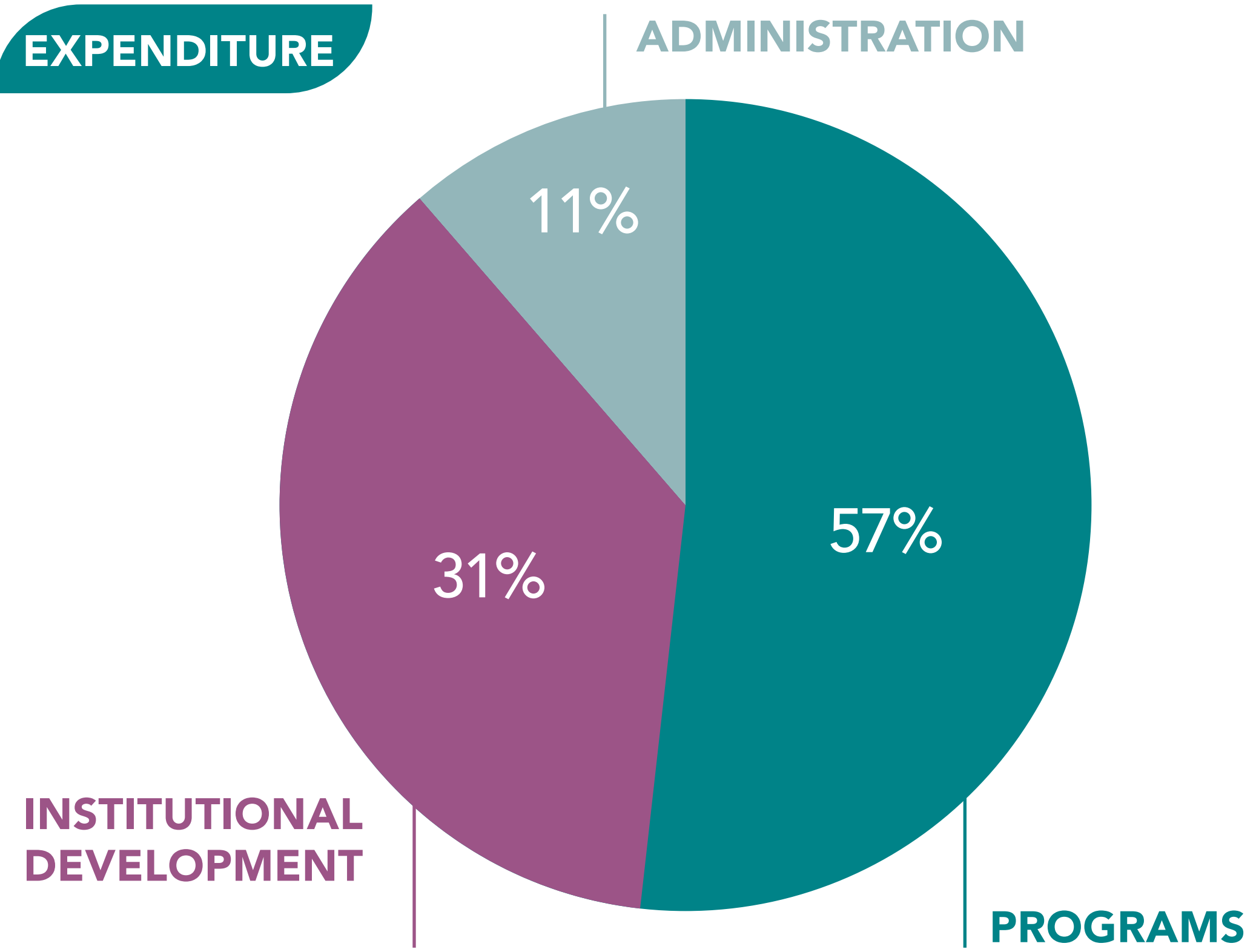
ECONOMIC SUSTAINABILITY

Minkai's work is possible owing to the unconditional support of people and companies who trust our work and support us to continue growing.

INCOME



EXPENDITURE





TESTIMONIALS



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Since I was very young, I had the dream of finishing high school and studying for a degree because I want to improve myself. My dream is to graduate

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AYELÉN

SECONDARY SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP
HOLDER, 2022 GRADUATE



“

In my family we didn't have the opportunity to study because of the distance and the economic situation, it was impossible. That is why I always thank Minkai for all the support they have given Ayelén all these years

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PATRICIA

MOM OF AYELÉN



“

I would describe Minkai in one word as OPPORTUNITY, because Minkai personally gave me the opportunity to continue studying. And not only me, it gave the opportunity to many other children to be able to continue their studies, which is the most important thing

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IVÁN

HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATE AND SECONDARY
SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIPS PROGRAM



THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR SUPPORTING US



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