



FRENCH NGO IN NEPAL

UN VILLAGE SOUS LES ÉTOILES



Our History

The beginnings of our mission

Picture of the village now



The beginnings

Earthquake in Nepal

A devastating earthquake struck Nepal on April 25, 2015, causing **8,000** deaths and **25,000** injuries.

Among the victims were **Pierre Vladimir Lobadowsky** and his girlfriend **Mathilde Forissier**, the son and daughter-in-law of Odile and Paul-Boris Lobadowsky.

Creation of the NGO

Odile and Paul-Boris, along with friends Christophe Alexandre, Noëlle Grosse, and Olivier Grosse, created the French NGO **Un Village sous les étoiles** - meaning *a village under the stars* - on February 14, 2018 **in the memory of Pierre Vladimir and Mathilde.**





Situation in Nepal

We conducted several journeys to Nepal to understand the ground situation.

Our key learnings

- 1 Nepal is **one of the poorest** country in the world.
- 2 **Women are particularly at risk** , facing issues such as abuse, domestic servitude, and violence.
- 3 Foreign investment **is prohibited by the Nepalese government** , and consequently, 'Un Village sous les étoiles' had to partner with **a local NGO** to initiate a charitable project.





Opportunity Village Nepal

Partnership

In May 2019, we established a partnership with **Opportunity Village Nepal**, a local NGO in Pokhara dedicated to **assisting endangered Nepalese women and girls** facing human trafficking and abuse.

This NGO takes care of **25 to 30 young girls**, aged 4 to 18, and provides **training and support** to vulnerable young women alongside.

How we collaborate

Their facilities were declared **inadequate** by the Nepalese government and faced closure without **urgent renovation**.

Starting with a three-year funding agreement from **AXA**, "Un Village sous les étoiles" committed to renovating these facilities and providing financial and day-to-day support, to **ensure the continuity of the village and support for the girls and women in need**.



Opportunity Village Team.



The village back in 2019.



Our mission

Taking care of girls and young women, who are in situations of **great vulnerability** and guiding them towards **autonomy** .



Our Projects

Children village, and women empowerment

Picture of the village now



The children village

Actions, achievements, and next steps





Actions

Our main initiatives

- ✓ **Providing a safe environment** for girls aged 4 to 18 , placed in the village by the government due to dangerous situations.
 - ✓ **Renovation** of the two existing houses and the **construction** of two new ones to create a **family environment** and **improve their living conditions** .
 - ✓ Financing support, such as **food**, **caregiving** , **regular medical check-ups** , **daily psychological support** , and **education** .
 - ✓ Make the village more **independent** by investing in **sustainable practices** like revisiting the water tank, installing solar and photovoltaic panels, biogas systems, and greenhouse.
- ✓ **Implement recreational activities** such as daily dance classes and morning meditation sessions.
 - ✓ Implement actions to promote **children's rights** , **sustainability practices** , and **digital literacy** to prepare these children for a **secure future** beyond the village.
 - ✓ After completing their education, we continue to support these children with **financial aid** and **regular follow-ups** until they achieve autonomy.
 - ✓ Each girl leaving the village will follow a **three month residential program** supported by our partner **LP4Y** to improve their **soft skills** and prepare themselves for **professional life** .



Achievements & Next steps

Our main achievements

- ✓ We have provided **consistent financial support** for **six years** now, enabling the **renovation of the entire facility**, including fields and the two existing houses.
- ✓ We have built **two additional houses** to improve their living conditions.
- ✓ Annually, over **25 children benefit from our care**, and we are happy to mention that **the nine young girls reintegrated into society are all pursuing bachelor's degrees**, a testament to successful rehabilitation and education efforts.
- ✓ In October 2023 the village was honored as a "**Model Village**" by the Nepalese authorities. We were **honored by the same team which declared the village inadequate in 2019**.

Next steps

- Build a **playground** within the village.
- Continue providing **financial**, **psychological**, and **educational** support for the 25 children in the village, as well as for those who have left.



Girls doing a bachelor degree now.



Empowering women endangered

Actions, achievements, and next steps



Actions

Our main initiatives

- ✓ We offer **3 to 6-month training programs** to young women in vulnerable situations (abuse, violence, poverty) to equip them with required skills to **find a job or launch their own micro-business**.
- ✓ After completing the program, we provide **one year of coaching and financial support** to those who want to launch their micro-business.
- ✓ Our current training programs include :

 Tailoring classes

 Soap making

 Beauty parlour

 Jewelry crafting



Beauty parlour classes.



Sewing classes.



Achievements & Next steps

Our main achievements

- ✓ We have trained a total of **193 women** since 2022.
- ✓ **22 of these women** launched their own micro-enterprises.

Next steps

Launch of the Training Center in Feb 2025

- We are **renovating** the main building of the village to transform it into a Training Center.
- We will then be able to **accommodate more trainees** (170 for 2025) with certified training programs.
- We will launch new training programs, such as **IT training classes**.



Creation of soap making micro-enterprise



Renovation of the main building



Our Sponsors

The team, our partners, our donors

Picture of the village now



The team



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Our partners



Opportunity Village Nepal

They ensure the day to day care of the girls and women in Nepal



Life Project 4 Youth

They help us ensuring these women a smooth transition into professional life



Women in Animation

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Michelle Yeoh et Jean Todt

Respectively godmother and godfather of our organization



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