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Jiujiang Social Welfare Institute Report

Altrusa International Foundation of Longview-Kelso working together with Amity Foundation in China

General Info

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Number of Children:

130 in orphanage

20 in foster care funded by the
orphanage

5 school children funded by
Amity



Classroom



Library

Overall Impression

There are many children currently living at the Jiujiang orphanage. Their living quarters are separated based on age: infants live on the first floor, preschoolers on the second, and teenagers on the third. In addition, there are rooms for rehabilitation and other activities, including: an improved rehabilitation room (below), library (above right), classroom (above left) computer room (lower left), and an infirmary with two incubators (below).



Student Reports



This teenage girl was born in December, 1994, and is a freshman at the Nanchang School for the blind. She lives with Amblyopia, commonly called “lazy eye.” She enjoys listening to the radio and handcrafts, and is studying anatomy, Chinese language, English, politics, and mathematics. When she has trouble in her anatomy or science courses, she will often ask others for assistance. In addition to her classes, she routinely does her physical exercises, such as lifting weights and finger exercises. Aside from class, she enjoys reviewing old books, and learns about the human condition from commentaries on the Analects.

This student was born in August, 1991, and is a junior at the Chengdu Institute. She enjoys painting and in mid-October participated in a 3v3 league board game competition at her university. She won 170 yuan, the first prize she has ever won. She has been working with a lot of software, and wonders if she will enjoy her future work. Right now she is hoping to find an internship for next semester, so that she might gain valuable workplace experience.



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This young boy was born in February, 1998, and is in sixth grade at the JiuJiang Fraternity School for the Deaf. He enjoys reading and painting, and his studies have been improving. In addition, he has taken to studying additional books outside of the classroom to expand his vocabulary. He also enjoys reading science fiction; he likes imagining the fantasy future envisioned in the books. This semester, he was proud to participate in a national painting and calligraphy competition. He won an outstanding youth award, as well as the accolades of his teachers and peers.



This young girl was born in February, 2004, and she is first grade at the Nanchang School for the Blind. She lives with Amblyopia, or “lazy eye.” She is learning to get along with other students and adjust to school life. She is also learning to take care of herself and be more independent; she can now wash some of her clothes, and will bathe and wash herself. She is very studious, and is currently studying four subjects: math, music, sports, and language. She most enjoys music lessons, and is currently studying different music tones. After school and on weekends, she spends time with other students listening to the radio or going outside to the playground or for a walk.



Amity Grandma Report

This Grandmother is responsible for cognitive rehabilitation, and she works with children to overcome their disabilities. In this photo, she is working with an eight-year-old boy on his walking exercises. She also helps him expand his vocabulary and intends to include language exercises in his future rehabilitation.



This grandmother also works with children on cognitive rehabilitation. She is responsible for the two children pictured with her, and she helps them improve their vocabulary and general cognitive skills using picture books and asking them to name what they see. She also takes the children outside for outdoor activities.



This grandmother conducts physical and language exercises with the two autistic children pictured with her. With her help, the children's physical conditions have been improving, and their emotional well being has also made great strides.



This grandmother has past experience as an Amity Grandmother, and works closely with the young girl pictured, who suffers from general paralysis and cannot sit up without support. Although progress is slow, rehabilitation has been useful and has benefited the child's overall health.





Young girl who suffers
from phenylketonuria

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