## SHANGGAO SOCIAL WELFARE INSTITUTE AMITY REPORT – JUNE 2013

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

#### Shanggao SWI Staff & Facts

Director: Leng Weiming

Vice-Director: Zhang

Director of Executive Office: Zhou Ling

Amity Foster Project Administrator: Li Xinzhen

Total No. of Children: 15

Total in Foster Care: 15

Adoptions 2012: 10

Adoptions 2013: 5

#### HIGHLIGHTS

Foster Care - Altrusa Foundation (working with Amity Foundation) sponsors 10 children for foster care from Shanggao SWI and the Amity team met with all of the children and their foster families for the April report. In addition, there are 5 more children from this SWI sponsored for foster care by another organization. There are no longer any children living at the SWI. A rehabilitation center has recently opened in Yichun City and children from Shanggao SWI in need of rehabilitation services will be treated at this local center. Children will no longer be sent to Nanchang for these services.

**Tuition** - Altrusa sponsored three orphans this past year for education expenses. Two were in primary school and the third finished high school. *UPDATE:* The high school student took her university exams, spent her summer working and entered Guangxi College in Sept 2013. She plans to major in auditing.



### A FEW OF OUR FOSTER CHILDREN

YY is 11 years old and very attached to her foster mother. She is shy around strangers, but gets along well with her foster family members. Her foster sister has poor eyesight and YY is both thoughtful and helpful towards her.



SM is a typical 18 month old - she likes to walk and dance! She is learning to use simple words like "mom" and "bye bye". She is a bit shy and prefers her foster family to all others. SM has a few favorite foods - especially milk and biscuits. This little girl was born with a cleft lip and palate. Her surgery has been completed.

SM was born prematurely and is now 6 months old. With her foster family's care, she has settled into a regular routine of sleeping and eating.



#### **HUGGING GRANNIES**



Grandma LX - top, right Grandma DL - bottom, right

There are two Hugging Grannies with the Shanggao SWI. Grandma LX is both a Hugging Granny and Administrator of the Amity Project at Shanggao SWI. She visits all of the foster families and submits a report to Amity every six months. Grandma DL makes a point of providing limb exercises and massage to the children with cerebral palsy. She teaches these exercises to the foster families, knowing that improved flexibility and strength will be of great benefit to the children. Both Grandma LX and DL work half-days, Monday through Friday.









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