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Common Goal has a growing network of 140 high-impact partner organisations that use football to advance the Global Goals. These organisations work in 200+ communities in 90 countries which serve over 2 million vulnerable children and young people.

The following pages offer an insight into the reach and work of the Common Goal network with overviews of each region (Africa, Asia – Pacific, Europe, Latin America, Middle East and North America & The Caribbean) followed by the profiles of the organisations located there.
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ALTUS SPORT, SOUTH AFRICA
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ASSOCIATION DES JEUNES SPORTIFS DE KIGALI- “ESPÉRANCE” RWANDA
ASSOCIATION MALIENNE POUR LA PROMOTION DE LA JEUNE FILLE ET DE LA FEMME, MALI
BALL EN UNITED SPORTS ACADEMY, ZAMBIA
CAROLINA FOR KEURA, KENYA
CENTRE DES JEUNES POUR LA PAIX, DR CONGO
CHIRARAMBA BREAKTHROUGH SPORTS ACADEMY, ZAMBIA
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GRASSROOT SOCCER, SOUTH AFRICA
GRUPO ESPORTIVO DE MANCA, MOZAMBIQUE
HORN OF AFRICA DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVE, KENYA
IRINGA DEVELOPMENT OF YOUTH, DISABLED AND CHILDREN CARE, TANZANIA
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MOVING THE GOALPOSTS KILIFI, KENYA
OASIS, SOUTH AFRICA
OPEN FIELD, CAMEROON
PLAY SOCCER GHANA, GHANA
SINGLE LEG AMPUTEE SPORT ASSOCIATION, SIERRA LEONE
SOCIETY EMPOWERMENT PROJECT, KENYA
SOUTH EAST DISTRICT YOUTH SPORTS ASSOCIATION, BOTSWANA
SOUTHERN SUDAN YOUTH SPORTS ASSOCIATION, SOUTH SUDAN
SPORT IN ACTION, ZAMBIA
TACKLEAFRICA, WESTERN AFRICA
THE FOOTBALL FOUNDATION, SOUTH AFRICA
THE GOAL, SOUTH AFRICA
TRAINING CHANCES, SOUTH AFRICA
TRANSFORMING YOUNG STARS OF AFRICA, KENYA
UNITED ACTION FOR CHILDREN, CAMEROON
UNITED THROUGH SPORT, SOUTH AFRICA
VUANA AMANI PAMOJA, KENYA
WATOTO WASOKA, UGANDA
YOUTH ACHIEVEMENT SPORTS FOR DEVELOPMENT, ZIMBABWE
YOUTH EMPOWERMENT AND DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVE, NIGERIA
YOUTH ENVIRONMENT SERVICE, UGANDA

43 ORGANISATIONS
25 COUNTRIES
740K PEOPLE EMPOWERED
MOST ACHIEVED GLOBAL GOALS
Africaid was established in 2002 by UK HIV Nurse Specialists Marcus McGilvray and Nicola Willis in response to the burgeoning HIV & AIDS epidemic in Africa. Its award-winning anti-retroviral patient readiness training has been written into treatment policy by National Governments and Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs) globally, directly supporting an estimated 4 million people to successfully manage HIV.

In 2005, Africaid’s WhizzKids United (WKU) programme began to address the main casualties of HIV across Africa: young people. The programme revolutionised the way in which youth focused on sexual and reproductive health, including: HIV prevention, treatment, and how care is approached and managed. Instead of the staid classroom setting, WKU ‘broke out’ onto the football pitch to teach life skills through its multi-award winning life skills curriculum, ‘On the Ball’. Each football skill is directly related to a life skill which helps ensure young people not only have the knowledge, but also the skills needed to use that knowledge and remain healthy and goal-driven.

VISION
To strengthen community responses to adolescent health and development through the power of football.

MISSION
To implement innovative sport-based programmes designed to inspire and encourage disadvantaged young people to access highly effective and youth-focused health, education and empowerment services.

2018 IMPACT

4,752 PEOPLE EMPOWERED

60% OF ‘ON THE BALL’ PARTICIPANTS ATTENDED WKU HEALTH ACADEMY FOR FULL MEDICALS INCL. HIV & HEP B TESTING

AFRICAID WHIZZKIDS UNITED

REVOLUTIONISING YOUTH PERCEPTIONS OF SEXUAL AND REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH
CREATING COMMUNITY LEADERS IN PRETORIA, SOUTH AFRICA

High unemployment, chronic poverty and crime rates, as well as sexual violence against young girls and teenagers, are some of the main issues facing the rural communities of Tshwane, a municipality of Pretoria with a population of nearly 3 Million people.

Altus Sport identifies unemployed young people with potential and trains them on leadership, life skills, project management and gender equality through the "Life’s a Ball" sport programme. Once they have completed their training, these young people are able to offer sessions addressing health, education and everyday life skills to disadvantaged children throughout the community.

There are currently 42 coaches in 12 communities teaching values such as friendship, respect, self-belief and determination to young boys and girls all over the Tshwane area.

V I S I O N  Live with integrity to make a positive change in someone’s life.

M I S S I O N  To use sport to unlock the compassionate and positive energy in each person. Through core values such as respect, excellence, fair play, accountability, and focus on the values compassion, joy, generosity and gratitude.

25,925 PEOPLE EMPOWERED

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MOST ADDRESSED SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS

ORGANISATIONS IN AFRICA
AMANDLA

VISION
A world where all young people access equal opportunities, strive to realise their full potential and dare to dream.

MISSION
To create safe spaces that bring together the power of football and learning to empower young people and change lives.

2018 IMPACT

9,000
PEOPLE EMPOWERED

84%
OF PLAYMAKER GRADUATES SUCCESSFULLY TRANSITIONED INTO EMPLOYMENT OR FURTHER EDUCATION

MOST ADDRESSED SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS:

A SAFE SPACE FOR YOUNG SOUTH AFRICANS TO THRIVE

In several regions of South Africa young people are plagued by gang violence and drug usage which has led to dramatically increasing school dropout rates. AMANDLA EduFootball is an international organisation with a mission to create “Safe-Hubs” that harness the power of football to help at-risk young people. A Safe-Hub provides an alternative to the toxic environment of despair and hopelessness that many young people grow up in. It is a place of physical and emotional safety where young people’s rights are recognised, their responsibilities are encouraged and their potential is realised.

Through partnerships with local schools, clubs, government institutions and organisations, the Safe-Hub infrastructure uses football as a common platform to develop life skills, provide coaching and training as well as mentor young people, thus enabling them to realise their dreams and ambitions. The model has been endorsed as a best-practice by the United Nations and has won numerous international awards for its ground-breaking impact on the reduction of violence and improvement of education results in South Africa.

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PEOPLE EMPOWERED

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Girls’ empowerment also forms an integral part of Angaza’s work with forums and the “Go Sisters” event, while its community outreach initiative aims to raise awareness on issues such as substance abuse, crime and conflict resolution techniques.

**ANGAZA**

**VISION**
To create a healthy and safe environment where children and adolescents reach their full potential.

**MISSION**
To create and provide a safe and supportive learning environment for young people to be able to grow and reach their full potential primarily through football.

**2018 IMPACT**

**4,345**
PEOPLE EMPOWERED

**53**
COMMUNITY COACHES/PEER EDUCATORS TRAINED AND MENTORED ON YOUTH LEADERSHIP

**8 ORGANISATIONS IN AFRICA**

**BRINGING FOOTBALL & EDUCATION TO YOUNG PEOPLE LIVING BELOW THE POVERTY LINE**

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ASSOCIATION DES JEUNES SPORTIFS DE KIGALI - ESPÉRANCE

VISION
To use the power of sports - especially football - for the social inclusion of vulnerable groups such as disadvantaged children and adolescents of both sexes. Further, to strategically support youth organisations to increase their competencies in order to actively participate in national youth policies.

MISSION
Support the peace building process in the Great Lakes Region and to strengthen inner Rwandan reconciliation by supporting and holding on to a dynamic partnership with youth groups and associations at a local, national and regional level.

2018 IMPACT

2,600 PEOPLE EMPOWERED

90 PARTICIPANTS RETURNED TO SCHOOL

PLAYING FOR PEACE IN RWANDA

The consequences of the genocide in 1994 still weigh heavily on the population of Rwanda. In the city of Kigali, the country’s three main ethnic groups all live together in very dense and underserved communities.

Through their “Football Amahoro” (or Football for Peace) methodology inspired by a streetfootballworld methodology developed in Colombia, Espérance has transformed the beautiful game into a social theatre, giving participants from different ethnic groups the opportunity to reconcile their differences and develop strategies for peaceful cooperation. The organisation also uses football as a tool to tackle the HIV/AIDS epidemic, promote gender equality and to develop skills which can be transferred into the world of work, like leadership and confidence.

Espérance trains young people on its football fields and the Football for Hope Center of Kimisagara - the most disadvantaged neighbourhood of Kigali.
EMPOWERING GIRLS AND WOMEN IN MALI TOWARDS INDEPENDENCE

Women in Mali are at risk of enduring violence and limited access to education, employment and often lack the basic right of making their own decisions. While there are many social programmes that tackle these issues, few focus specifically on young girls and women.

Association Malienne pour la Promotion de la Jeune Fille et de la Femme (AMPJF) seeks to encourage social awareness, confidence and the empowerment of Mali’s women of all ages through support groups but also through coaching and training. The organisation incentivises women to form their own structures where they can discuss their specific issues and form new ideas on how to achieve the change they want to see in the world.

AMPJF manages the Football for Hope Centre of Baguinédé, on the outskirts of Bamako, and is now partnering with another organisation to set up a similar programme for boys in order to involve them in the change process as well.
The outskirts of Lusaka, Zambia, are home to a number of underserved communities where young people are faced with low economic and social growth as well as inadequate infrastructure and high rates of HIV/AIDS.

Bauleni United Sports Academy (BUSA) trains vulnerable young people by empowering and enabling them to be the change they want to see in their communities. In partnership with local schools, the organisation uses sports to teach life skills and leadership training. After surveying participants and coaches, BUSA noticed a severe underrepresentation of women among them.

As a result, BUSA has been on a mission to tackle this issue in its educational programmes. BUSA’s objective is for these young people to become future change-makers and local role models for their communities.

BUSA organises 500 league games and tournaments each year including the annual Children’s Cup, which attracts over 3000 children, and has taken part in developing Zambia’s physical education curriculum.
As an increasing number of people in Kenya leave rural areas for cities, the slums in these cities are expanding at an unprecedented rate. Kibera, an area just outside Nairobi, is one of the most densely populated urban areas in the world and its community struggles to meet and maintain basic health and safety, education and employment needs.

Carolina for Kibera (CFK) uses sport to teach healthy life choices and promote peace across gender and ethnic divides in Kibera.

The organisation offers resources, such as support networks, to local leaders and creative people in order to help them bring their ideas to life and create sustainable long-term change. In addition to this, CFK holds football training sessions and hosts an annual football tournament where ethnic diversity is an entry requirement.

Through CFK, thousands of children and young people have been vaccinated against influenza, received access to HIV care and many have been awarded school scholarships.
After ten years of armed conflict in the DRC, many children have been orphaned or displaced. Inter-ethnic violence and mistrust are ever-present. Additionally - there are insufficient resources preventing the treatment of trauma victims and the creation of peaceful and healthy communities.

The Centre des Jeunes pour la Paix (CJP) believes football has the power to bring communities closer together and promote the peaceful resolution of conflicts. CJP’s inter-ethnic, mixed-gender football games build trust among different groups. During these games boys and girls have the chance to practise teamwork, learn to respect teammates and work together to solve problems. CJP also mobilises communities around government immunisation days in order to raise awareness of health risks and provides young people with job training and leadership opportunities.

Mauwa Libone, a young participant, says CJP helped her deal with feelings of anxiety and sadness, making her feel safer and enabling her to socialise with others and express herself.
Fostering Resilience in Zambia Through Education

Providing for the large numbers of refugees that have entered Zambia is a challenge, adding to other issues the country faces such as low school attendance, high HIV/AIDS rates and poor sanitary practices.

Chiparamba Breakthrough Sports Academy (CBSA) sees education as a major part of young people’s holistic development. CBSA’s work across Zambia is dedicated to promoting values such as resilience and leadership by getting young people to take part in football activities.

Health and health education form a significant part of the organisation’s work, which features the Water and Sanitation Health and Hygiene (WASH) football leagues and large-scale HIV/AIDS testing units.

The Zambia Street Football Network (ZSFN) was created in 2006 by CBSA to develop a network for collaboration, shared-knowledge and development of best-practices.
GIVING YOUNG PEOPLE IN CAPE VERDE A ROUTE OUT OF POVERTY

According to estimates, around 26% of the population in Cape Verde live below the poverty line. High unemployment and emigration rates result in many young people growing up demoralised by their surroundings.

Founded in 2002, Delta Cultura aims to end poverty through education, empowering young people to direct their own lives and help them realise a brighter future in Cape Verde.

The organisation develops educational programmes that recognise and promote potential, make a significant contribution toward self-determination, alert action and social change.

A strong believer in the power of football to serve as the gateway to social change and education, Delta Cultura organises games with football which tackle social issues such as fair play, gender equality, non-violent conflict resolution, HIV/AIDS education and teamwork.

VISION
To end poverty through education; cultivate enthusiasm for learning amongst children and adolescents. By recognising and promoting their potential, make a significant contribution toward self-determination, alert action and social change.

MISSION
To develop educational programmes that aim for the recognition and the promotion of potential.

2019 IMPACT

390
PEOPLE EMPOWERED

MOST ADDRESSED SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS:

GIVING YOUNG PEOPLE IN CAPE VERDE

DELTA CULTURA

CABO VERDE
2019 IMPACT

**PEOPLE EMPOWERED**

650

**FEMALE PARTICIPATION**

86%

**ESTABLISHING STABILITY IN POST-CIVIL-WAR LIBERIA**

The 17-year Liberian Civil War has left its mark on the region with high poverty and unemployment rates, which disproportionately affect women and young people. In addition to these problems, there is considerable domestic instability with large numbers of displaced families and young children.

Football to Develop Destitute (FODEDE) seeks to address the plight of the underprivileged youth in Liberia. The organisation uses football as a tool to develop and change lives in a healthy and positive way that creates strong young leaders who are free from violence, healthy and economically independent. The programme hopes to create a wider impact by sending out these young leaders to engage with their own communities.

FODEDE has embarked on creating a network of street football organisations that are all aligned around three crucial objectives: promoting and increasing the use of football as a tool for social development, influencing national and world leaders to approach development through football in order to promote peace, and coordinating and running annual street football leagues across Liberia.
FUTURE STARS ACADEMY

2019 IMPACT

VISION
To pursue sustainable social development for young people by working on leadership, empowerment and a sense of responsibility.

MISSION
Football & Education For All: Strengthening children’s and adolescents’ physical and mental health, offering the citizens of tomorrow fun and hope, contributing to Tanzania’s future.

FUTURE STARS ACADEMY

NO SCHOOL - NO PLAY: DEVELOPING MODEL CITIZENS IN TANZANIA

Future Stars Academy (FSA) is a non-profit organisation focusing on children, young people and football with the aim to empower them and enhance their physical and mental health. The organisation is running programmes in the cities of Arusha and Moshi, Tanzania.

FSA provides football training to disadvantaged children between the ages of 6 and 20, giving them the opportunity to enjoy football, play and develop mentally and physically.

FSA actively engages with local communities and supports community development through various types of sports activities. Through the Future Talent Programme, FSA enables children and young people to access education and employment through partnerships such as ‘Jobortunity’ training, local government and through the organisation’s own Junior Coaches Training Programme. The academy has one rule: No school – No Play.

Football is an avenue for the children and adolescents to live a healthy lifestyle, to play, to have fun, while encouraging them to stay in school and to become model citizens.

3,073
PEOPLE EMPOWERED

187
SPORTS COACHES HAVE BEEN TRAINED THROUGH THE PHYSICAL EDUCATION PROGRAMME

2,000
ORGANISATIONS IN AFRICA

Most Addressed Sustainable Development Goals:

- Education
- Gender Equality
- Peace & Justice
- Employment
In Burundi, high levels of poverty and school dropout rates force many children to live on the streets at an early age exposing them to violence, criminal activities and drugs.

Giriyuja was set up in 2006 to support the country’s street children, basing its activities around the pillars of protection, education, and advocacy. Giriyuja uses football to engage its beneficiaries teaching them invaluable life skills to open up doors for them and help reintegrate them into society.

Through the Kabodo Football for Hope Centre, Giriyuja has created a safe space for young people to play and be part of a healthy and positive community. Here, they can enjoy playing the game and have the opportunity to receive health consultations, psychosocial support and literacy classes.
At the height of the HIV/AIDS epidemic, Sub-Saharan Africa accounted for an estimated 69 percent of all people living with HIV and 70 percent of all AIDS deaths. At present, AIDS continues to be the main cause of death among adolescents.

Founded in Zimbabwe in 2002, Grassroot Soccer (GRS) integrates the cross-cultural appeal of football to build confidence and resilience in young people so that they can take control of their lives and health, on and off the field.

The organisation use football sessions and activity-based social learning to normalise concepts surrounding sexual and reproductive health and rights which are traditionally stigmatised.
The Mozambican Civil War from 1977-1992 left deep scars which has left the country still on the long road to recovery. Mozambique has one of the highest rates of illiteracy in Africa - currently at 47%. Thus meaning skilled jobs are out of reach for most young people.

Grupo Desportivo de Manica (GDM) pursues a holistic approach in which football is the entry point for educational opportunities and skills training.

Young participants receive cultural and life skills programmes ranging from English, Portuguese and computer classes to environmental education, vocational training and HIV/AIDS prevention workshops.

The organisation believes football can bring joy, hope, reconciliation to Mozambique, as well as health and positive life choices to young boys and girls.
Territorial disputes between nomadic communities have created tension and ethnic rivalry throughout northern Kenya and caused tribal warfare. In addition, the lack of resources—such as basic necessities, school, and healthcare—threatens to keep the region below the poverty line.

Founded in the Marsabit region of Kenya in 2005, the Horn of Africa Development Initiative (HODI) is a non-profit organisation that seeks to nurture peace through football.

HODI has developed a unique programme with the motto "Shoot to Score, Not to Kill" that uses football to engage soldiers and young people to promote the peaceful resolution of conflicts.

A further programme, "Breaking the Silence", provides girls with a safe space to play and encourages them to share their stories with other girls creating an invaluable support network.
TACKLING GENDER STEREOTYPES THROUGHOUT TANZANIA

There are an estimated 437,500 children living on the streets in Tanzania, often as a result of violence and abuse suffered at home.

Iringa Development of Youth, Disabled and Children Care (IDYDC) was originally founded to give these children shelter and an education.

Since then, the organisation has expanded the scope of its impact to tackle issues such as health, environment, and gender violence and equality.

IDYDC’s educational sports programme uses football as a vehicle to deliver life skills and HIV education to young people. Coaches deliver key messages promoting resilience among young people and educating them on HIV/AIDS awareness and enabling them to tackle gender stereotypes.

VISION
To see a community free from disease and poverty, where social development is promoted and human rights are respected.

MISSION
To improve the living standards of the beneficiaries in the Iringa region and other parts of Tanzania by establishing rehabilitation and vocational training centres, implementing programmes and activities to address local social challenges, such as lack of educational opportunities or gender inequality.

2019 IMPACT

90,327 PEOPLE EMPOWERED

4,690 YOUNG PEOPLE TESTED ON MALARIA DAY & 2,400 PROVIDED WITH MOSQUITO NETS

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One of the greatest challenges children and young people growing up in Tanzania face is the lack of access to quality education. In fact, 1 in 4 people over the age of 15 cannot read or write. With up to 100 pupils per class, school children face an uphill battle just to learn, with sport either not prioritised or not included in the curriculum.

Jambo Bukoba works with schools, children, parents and institutions to further its mission of using sports to promote quality education, good health and gender equality. The organisation’s programmes focus on improving existing infrastructures, training teachers and organising sports competitions for the children.

In the “Life Skills through Games” programme, teachers learn methodologies and games to use at school that help raise awareness about HIV/AIDS and further develop the social and physical skills of their pupils.
2019 IMPACT

VISION
That every child in Lesotho has the opportunity to achieve their potential.

MISSION
To change the lives and long-term prospects of vulnerable young people in Lesotho, through a wide range of social development activities focused on health, education and support towards sustainable livelihoods.

2,834
PEOPLE EMPOWERED

93%
OF PARTICIPANTS HAD INCREASED KNOWLEDGE OF HOW TO AVOID COMMUNICABLE DISEASES THROUGH IMPROVED HYGIENE PRACTICES

CHANGING THE LONG-TERM PROSPECTS OF YOUNG PEOPLE IN LESOTHO

With 25% of the total population infected, Lesotho has the second highest HIV prevalence rate in the world for people living with HIV. Those affected suffer stigmatisation and are often shunned by family and friends.

Founded in 2005, Kick4Life F.C. is a unique football club operating as both a charity and a social enterprise. Its mission is to change the lives and long-term prospects of vulnerable young people in Lesotho through a wide range of social development activities focused on health, education and support towards sustainable livelihoods.

These activities include health education about HIV prevention, voluntary HIV testing, life-skills development, mentoring, support towards education & employment, alongside teaching inclusion and self-confidence - all through football.
Lack of education, unemployment and poverty are the main challenges facing young people in Kalebuka, DR Congo. Most young people drop out of school because they lose their parents or they cannot afford schooling.

Malaika, a grassroots organisation, seeks to combat these issues with three programmes. First, the Malaika School, that provides girls with free, high-quality education and empowers each student to give back to her community and have a long-term impact on the future of the DRC.

Secondly, the organisation impacts the surrounding village through the Community Centre, which provides education, health and sports programming to thousands per year. Here, Malaika tackles issues like discrimination, environmental problems, gender inequality, unemployment, children’s rights, HIV/AIDS and Malaria. Finally, Malaika also construct wells that supply people with clean water, helping the reduction of water-related illnesses.
Mathare is one of the largest and poorest slums of Africa. It is home to more than 900,000 people living in non-permanent structures without clean water, electricity or sewage systems.

Through health education, community libraries, photography, music and dance workshops and, most all, football, Mathare Youth Sports Association (MYSA) is pushing for a better future for Mathare’s youth.

The organisation’s emphasis lies on education and training to equip young people with the skills and confidence to improve their lives and the living conditions of their communities. MYSA’s teams earn points based on the development activities they take part in, which they can then use towards education scholarships.

In addition, MYSA has a specially designed sports programme for underserved children living with disabilities.
2019 IMPACT

PEOPLE EMPOWERED

10,671

GIRLS PROVIDED WITH REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH EDUCATION ENABLING THEM TO MAKE INFORMED DECISIONS & AVOID RISKY BEHAVIOUR

6,901

VISION
A fair, just and inclusive world where girls and young women’s rights are acknowledged, respected and realised.

MISSION
To positively influence communities by working with them to provide skills and opportunities for girls and young women to achieve their full potential through football.

MOVING THE GOALPOSTS KILIFI

HELPING GIRLS IN KENYA OVERCOME BARRIERS TO INDEPENDENCE

The coastal counties of Kilifi and Kwale are among the regions in Kenya with the highest rates of poverty and illiteracy. Girls are often the hardest hit with high rates of teenage pregnancy due to a lack of information to enable them to make informed decisions. Additionally, they are often excluded from secondary education as their parents lack the financial means and, as a result of cultural perceptions, often give preference to the education of sons over daughters.

Moving the Goalposts Kilifi (MTG) seeks to change this. The organisation uses football to empower young girls and women by providing them with a safe place where they can play football, educate themselves about reproductive health and rights, create opportunities for themselves and become leaders in their communities.

MTG’s Education and Vocational Training programme supports girls participating in the organisation’s football activities by paying 75% of their school fees. MTG also takes its library services during tournaments and other MTG football events to spark interest and provide access to reading materials.
The Cape Flats, an area located to the southeast of Cape Town, were once called “apartheid’s dumping ground”. Today it is a neighbourhood undermined by unemployment, homelessness, drug abuse, high rates of HIV/AIDS and gang violence.

OASIS was created with the goal of providing children from Cape Flats with an alternative path to dropping out of school and living on the streets.

Through its football team and after-school programmes, OASIS teaches underserved children fundamental skills such as fair play, respect, gender equality and peaceful conflict resolution to help them create a better life for themselves and their community. The organisation also gives young people the chance to represent South Africa in the Annual Homeless World Cup.

Through the L.I.F.E programme (Local Integrated Football Education) OASIS turns the conversation towards issues such as social integration, violence prevention and raising awareness on HIV/AIDS.
Cameroon enjoys relatively high political and social stability as well as the highest school attendance rate in Africa. Nevertheless, the country still faces a number of obstacles in increasing awareness on health issues, promoting gender equality, preventing child labour and improving working conditions.

To combat some of these issues, Open Field created the Play4Purpose model, whereby every football session and match promotes values such as teamwork and respect for others. The organisation also offers health education to children and adolescents, academic scholarships to coaches as well as job skills training.

Since 2017, Open Field have been enabling participants to create youth football leagues back home in their own neighbourhoods, with the goal of upscaling and replicating this model throughout Cameroon and Africa.
In certain regions of Ghana, youth unemployment is a major issue, worsened by the ever-widening gap in income inequality. This has led to decreased food security and contributed to high levels of youth crime in these regions.

The Play for Fun, Learn for Life programme follows a 48-week curriculum, taught by youth volunteer instructors from various regions of Ghana educating young people in employable skills, health, and football. As well as building physical fitness and well-being, young people learn values and skills like fair play, gender equality and peaceful conflict resolution. Each session encourages children to put these new skills and knowledge into practice on the playing field and in their daily lives.

Play Soccer Ghana supports children and young adults annually through its various programmes in 11 different locations in Ghana. It also operates as a social clinic for the participants’ parents, educating them on how to best support their children.
HELPING AMPUTEES REINTEGRATE INTO SOCIETY IN SIERRA LEONE

A country torn apart by civil war, Sierra Leone has a large population of citizens whose lives have been affected, both emotionally and physically by the years of fighting.

Single Leg Amputee Association (SLASA) was created to address the gaps in social infrastructure for amputees by providing trauma recovery, addressing misconceptions of disabilities, promoting peace, and helping amputees reintegrate into society.

The organisation provides football training, creates pitch facilities that can be used by the entire community, and teaches young people skills to effectively join the workforce.

What originally started as an idea to create a single team in order to take part in competitions in the local area, has now expanded into 350 players and six official seven-a-side teams.
The Nyanza Province has the highest rate of HIV/AIDS and mortality in Kenya. The high number of orphans with AIDS, along with poor educational opportunities in the region add to the social challenges these communities are facing.

The Society Empowerment Project (SEP) combats this by working alongside HIV/AIDS awareness and treatment groups, and local schools to provide young people with the education required to reduce levels of infection.

Using football as a tool, SEP specifically trains young people on sports leadership by giving them the opportunity to plan and implement sports trainings and events, including communication, marketing, resource mobilisation and branding amongst other things.
INCREASING HIV/AIDS AWARENESS AMONG YOUNG PEOPLE IN BOTSWANA

One of the most pressing social challenges in Botswana is an increasing prevalence of HIV/AIDS. Large populations of young people have been either directly or indirectly affected. This feeds into another social issue faced by young people in Botswana: high unemployment.

The South East District Youth Empowerment Association (SEDYEA) was created to tackle the growing problem of HIV/AIDS in Botswana by delivering sports, arts, skills development, and community outreach that develop leadership and transferable employment skills in young people.

SEDYEA also runs a peer leadership and life skills project which organises sports and education activities in schools and communities, as well as the Kgatelopele Safe Spaces Programme for young women.

SEDYEA runs the largest youth football league in the south-east district of Botswana that brings together 3,200 players. Through daily coaching clinics, weekly study groups, school outreach, and girls’ forums, SEDYEA has become a regional education centre for good health and well-being.

VISION
A nation of positive, healthy and productive young people contributing to the health and prosperity of their communities and forming a beacon for the youth of the world.

MISSION
To create positive futures for young people and to contribute to the health and prosperity of communities by establishing a sustainable, innovative and accountable organisation that can grow from a firm foundation to achieve a wider impact.

2019 IMPACT

4,235 PEOPLE EMPOWERED

83.5% OF PARTICIPANTS HAVE KNOWLEDGE & INFORMATION TO STAY SAFE FROM HIV/AIDS

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MOST ADDRESSED SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS:

ORGANISATIONS IN AFRICA

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Two years after South Sudan declared independence in 2011, the newly formed country faced massive internal conflict. This conflict turned into a civil war which resulted in two million people fleeing the country and the ones remaining living on the verge of starvation.

The Southern Sudan Youth Sports Association (SSYSA) works towards peaceful co-existence and conflict resolution in several refugee camps with the aim to improve young people’s lives. SSYSA uses football to transmit transferable skills such as fair play, tolerance, inclusion, and respect. They also work to tackle big issues like health promotion and children’s rights.

The organisation works with schools in Sudan and refugee camps, enabling homeless children, victims of forced displacement, and vulnerable young people to think about their lives in more positive terms and empower them.
Children from disadvantaged communities in Lusaka, Zambia, face problems such as HIV & AIDS, gender-based violence, childhood marriages and substance abuse. The problems are mainly caused by systemic issues with the education of these children and their parents or guardians, and the community at large.

Sport in Action, uses a holistic approach to reach those communities by educating children using the tool of football. The organisation works to protect them from violence, most notably on their way to and from school, but also by being active in the communities and coordinating with the guardians of children.

Sport in Action uses football development methods like football3 to educate about HIV/AIDS and gender-based violence while aiming to help children grow with a sense of self-worth and optimism, with healthier behaviour, in violence-free environments. They learn teamwork and other life skills crucial to their personal development of a healthy lifestyle.
TackleAfrica uses the power of football to provide young Africans with the knowledge, confidence and services to realise their sexual & reproductive health rights (SRHR) and help protect themselves and their communities from HIV and other sexual health issues.

Founded in 2002, TackleAfrica delivers HIV and SRHR education through football coaching to young people in Africa. A registered UK charity working through a network of African and international partners, TackleAfrica trains and supports local youth leaders, coaches and school teachers to deliver uniquely adapted football drills which include vital messages for participants to help reduce the impact of sexual health issues within local communities. All the learning takes place on the pitch, meaning that young Africans learn essential health messages in a way that they enjoy, understand and, ultimately, can apply to their lives.

In addition to training local organisations to deliver football for health education, TackleAfrica also supports partners and their communities by organising and running football tournaments - which are combined with HIV testing or other health screening or family planning services.
In the Gansbaai region of South Africa, there are limited education and development opportunities available, creating barriers of entry into the workforce and contributing to high unemployment rates.

Founded in 2003 as the charity initiative of the ‘Grootbos Private Nature Reserve’, The Football Foundation aims to cultivate the potential of sport to trigger positive social change in marginalised communities, to ultimately build strong communities of healthy, empowered and proud young leaders in sport and life. The Football Foundation, part of the Grootbos Foundation, provides accredited skills training and promotes health, education, and social integration through football.

The programme engages over 2000 young people each week through its flagship training sessions and educative programming in three regions: Gansbaai, Stanford, and Hermanus.

The projects provide several football for good programmes which promote health and environmental life skills training; providing further educational pathways to its other projects, ‘Green Futures’ and ‘Siyakhula’.
Providing an Education for Young People in South Africa

In certain neighbourhoods in Johannesburg, South Africa, the lack of safe spaces for children after school leaves them susceptible to teen violence, drug abuse, and bullying. Additionally, in these areas, children’s reading scores are on average much lower.

The Goal focuses on using football to provide safe spaces and educational programmes that promote character development, encourage literacy, and healthy lifestyles through the game of football.

The Goals’ programming includes the INFINITY Reading Program, an after-school programme focusing on improving reading skills and vocabulary, and the PITCH Program, which organises games of football for various age groups.

The Goal also hosts annual events to promote reading and mentorship, such as a Readathon and Book Drive, Spelling Bees, and Holiday Programmes.

Vision
A world in which every child realises the right to reach their full potential and contribute to a better world.

Mission
To transform the lives of children and young people by providing safe spaces and educational programmes that promote character development, encourage literacy and healthy lifestyles through the game of football.

2019 Impact
5,800 People Empowered
2,000 Hours Spent Reading for the 100 Regular Participants in After-School Programme

The Goal
38 Organisations in Africa

Most Addressed Sustainable Development Goals:

1. No poverty
2. Good health and wellbeing
3. Quality education
4. Gender equality
5. Life on land
Young people in South Africa face many challenges. Racial injustice, poor quality education, unemployment, and HIV/AIDS are only a few of the hurdles they must overcome to build a future for themselves. training4changeS seeks to make football a tool to encourage young people to empower themselves, offer them the skills they need to succeed, and create social change from the bottom up.

Committed to changing attitudes towards gender roles and social exclusion, training4changeS mixes learning life lessons with football coaching to bridge racial and socio-economic gaps. The organisation’s skills training initiatives offer coaching education and job skill trainings for vulnerable young people, delivering certifications and employment opportunities.

In addition, the Futsal Academy offers on-going support as well as education inside and outside the classroom, while the #againstALLodds girls’ futsal campaign seeks to increase opportunities for female participation and promote gender equality.
TRANSFORMING YOUNG KENYANS INTO COMMUNITY LEADERS

In Kenya, 33% of young people are infected with HIV/AIDS. In addition, communities throughout the region are affected by high rates of teen pregnancy and female genital mutilation.

Transforming Young Stars of Africa (TYSA) started out as a community group focused on mobilising young people in local communities to become young leaders.

TYSA’s goal is to empower and educate young people through the use of sports. In order to inform young people about important issues and opportunities, TYSA provides educational activities, job and vocational trainings alongside football activities and tournaments in the community.
ACCESS TO EDUCATION FOR STREET CHILDREN IN CAMEROON

Over one million children live on the streets in Cameroon. This is mostly due to the economic downturn taking place in the region in the late 80s and early 90s. When families struggle, the children in Cameroon suffer first, especially children in underserved and marginalised communities.

United Action for Children (UAC) works to enable children living on the streets, and those prone to dropping out of school, to return to and remain in education.

Through the organisation, children have access to a safe and stable environment where they can go to football training and receive education about conflict resolution, HIV/AIDS, and take part in basic educational programmes and job trainings in fields like computing, woodwork, and more.

The organisation aims to involve parents and the surrounding community to ensure local participation and increase the impact of UAC programmes beyond the organisation’s centres and schools.
UNITED THROUGH SPORT

VISION
Give youth the best possible chance in life using sport as a tool for individual development.

MISSION
To provide access to good quality health information and top-level education to every child in South Africa no matter where they live or what family they are born into, through their participation in our (sport) programmes.

2019 IMPACT

9,037 PEOPLE EMPOWERED

88% OF THE 7,920 CHILDREN THAT COMPLETED SPORTS & PHYSICAL EDUCATION CURRICULUM REPORTED IMPROVED EMOTIONAL WELLBEING

MOST ADDRESSED SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS:

USING FOOTBALL TOWARDS HIV/AIDS PREVENTION & GENDER EQUALITY

When the organisation was first formed in 2005, the initial focus was on teaching sport in the disadvantaged communities of Nelson Mandela Bay. Yet after reacting to the great need in the township areas where United Through Sport was operating, this soon led to the introduction of a life skills curriculum, with a focus on HIV and AIDS prevention and promoting gender equality.

Faced by a cycle of poverty among the young people it serves, in 2011 the United Through Sport began including academic support and academic pathways to success alongside football activities. Through this, participants are more likely to excel in school and follow diverse career paths. Participants now regularly achieve 100% high school pass rates, with many of them becoming the first to go to university in their families.

With university graduation a feasible prospect under the organisation’s mentorship, so too is meaningful employment, transforming lives and helping instil positive change in the local community.
Nairobi’s community organisations are working hard to tackle issues ranging from youth unemployment and drug abuse, to the spread of HIV/AIDS. In recent years, there has been a high rate of HIV infections amongst young people aged 14-25 because of a lack of awareness programmes in schools and local communities.

It is for this reason that Vijana Amani Pamoja (VAP) was created. With the goal of educating young people about hygiene and health practices, VAP has a strong emphasis on creativity and critical thinking. One of the organisation’s main programmes, SKILLZ Kenya, was developed in collaboration with streetfootballworld and Grassroot Soccer to use football to fight HIV/AIDS; enabling the young people to become educators themselves and conduct peer trainings in their own communities on how to lead a healthy life. VAP also hosts Vocational Training, which helps young people acquire skills and find job placements.
Founded in 2009, Watoto Wasoka (which translates as “Football Kids” from Swahili) is a community-led NGO based in Bakuli, the largest slum in Kampala, Uganda. The organisation’s programmes are focused on children living in slums and on the streets. Watoto Wasoka’s vision is to change the lives of children in the slums of Uganda by using football to provide access to schools, as well as to water, sanitation and hygiene services (WASH).

The organisation aims to support and educate children living in poverty or on the streets through their love for football, and to provide them with an alternative to street life by offering shelter, education, and school support.

Watoto Wakoka also offers career training, sex education, family mediation, and safe spaces for character building, and has set up Sparta 09 Kampala as a fully-fledged football club (with junior, senior and women’s teams).
Zimbabwe is dealing with challenging social problems such as teenage pregnancies, unemployment, infrastructure issues, and high HIV/AIDS rates. The country has very low graduation rate at 27.86% and, as a result, many young people are struggling with unemployment.

The organisation Young Achievement Sports for Development (YASD) was founded in 2005 to bring solutions to young people in Zimbabwe. Through football sessions the organisation gives children and adolescents a sense of pride and self-confidence, and equips them with leadership skills, fostering accountability and responsibility.

YASD assists these young people through basic education and access to grants for scholarships. Core elements of the programme are: mentoring, providing support, and inclusivity.

As a result of YASD’s work, teen pregnancies have decreased in the community, and through leadership training programmes a substantial number of participants are landing jobs and going back to school to complete their studies.
Established in 2011, YEDI (Youth Empowerment Development Initiative) is a non-profit organisation focused on adolescent health development. Using an innovative sport for development curriculum (Grassroot Soccer SKILLZ Curriculum), YEDI equips disadvantaged adolescents with comprehensive knowledge on sexual and reproductive health, malaria and HIV/AIDS prevention and access to support and treatment services.

The YEDI model trains young adult mentors as community change agents to implement age appropriate and gender-sensitive curricula, combining football metaphors and activities with high impact health information to engage young people and break down cultural barriers.

YEDI’s in-school and out-of-school outreaches operate as safe spaces for young people aged 10-24 years to access engaging sport-based activities, as well as health and social services across the adolescent continuum of care. YEDI harnesses a multi-sectoral ecosystem of government and social services, layering health, education, sport, youth development, economic empowerment, and child protection.
Large rural and urban areas of Uganda struggle with hygiene, general health, and quality education. Many of these areas have no waste management systems in place and poor knowledge on proper sanitation and hygiene techniques. Teen pregnancy in the area has reached 29%.

Youth Environment Service’s (YES) main objective is to improve accessibility to essential services for urban communities in waste management and sanitation. The organisation supports the inclusion of people discriminated against based on gender, income, or ethnicity.

YES uses football as a tool to promote physical activity but also as a way to educate young people in the region on the important topics of waste management, hygiene, sanitation, and drug abuse.

Furthermore, the organisation promotes youth leadership with its community-elected male and female youth representatives who sit on a Board to give a voice to young people in the area.
Nepal is currently facing major challenges with high rates of human trafficking, especially of young women.

Childreach Nepal is an organisation which works with local communities to help empower and educate at-risk young people. One of the organisation’s programmes is a sports initiative where young people are provided with a safe place to take part in football training.

The training sessions also serve as a tool to raise awareness and provide educational classes which address issues such as healthcare, social exclusion, human trafficking, substance abuse and gender inequality.

The main objective of Childreach Nepal’s programmes is to reduce school dropout rates, prevent child trafficking, and empower young people to become youth mentors and young leaders.
Fifty percent of India’s population are under the age of 25 and in a country with a school drop out rate of nearly 53%, there are an estimated 243 million young people looking for employment.

Since its inception in 1999, Dream A Dream’s mission has been to empower young people from vulnerable backgrounds. It provides young people with comprehensive life skills and training who have experienced extreme adversity in their lives.

Dream A Dream provides a support system for the children in the community with after-school programmes which use sports and arts to engage youth, help them develop critical life skills and give them the chance to give back to their communities. Communication skills, career guidance and awareness workshops, internships, scholarships, vocational training and jobs are also provided to participants between the ages of 14 and 19.

VISION
To build a movement to empower millions of young people to overcome adversity and flourish in a fast-changing world.

MISSION
To empower young people from vulnerable backgrounds to overcome adversity and flourish in a fast-changing world using a creative skills approach.

2019 IMPACT

2,399 PEOPLE EMPOWERED

95% OF PARTICIPANTS IN AFTER SCHOOL LIFE SKILLS PROGRAMME SHOWED AN IMPROVEMENT IN THEIR AVERAGE LIFE SKILLS SCORE
2019 IMPACT

PEOPLE EMPOWERED

4,000

VISION
Enable one million school children to become leaders by 2030, by developing critical life skills that will help them succeed socially as well as increase their employability.

MISSION
To serve as a platform for children attending low-income schools to develop life skills through the medium of football, innovative learning methods and local and global communities’ support.

ENABLING YOUTH IN INDIA TO DEVELOP LIFE SKILLS & BECOME COMMUNITY LEADERS

In India, more than 110 million children are enrolled in government schools where they do not have the opportunity to develop essential life skills like problem solving, collaboration and communication, and values and principles. This void means these children are not equipped to become productive, responsible and employable citizens.

Enabling Leadership works with young people from low-income government and private schools, through creative and innovative programmes, to enable children to develop important life skills and become leaders within their communities. Launched in 2011 with the motto ‘Everyone Plays’, Just for Kicks uses innovative football-based learning methods to develop life skills by enabling children to collaborate, reflect on and connect first-hand experiences learning from the playground with their real lives. Today, Just For Kicks reaches children across India and Cambodia.
Football for All in Vietnam (FFAV) is an initiative developed by the Football Association of Norway (NFF) and the Vietnam Football Federation (VFF), operating in Hanoi since 2001.

In 2003, the project was officially moved to Thua Thien Hue province (TT Hue). FFAV works to develop children’s non-competitive grassroots football in primary and secondary schools, in social centres and resettlement areas with a special focus on marginalised groups such as people with a disability, people with an ethnic minority background, and people infected with or affected by HIV/AIDS.

FFAV uses football activities as a tool to integrate fundamental life skill activities which are refined based on the real situation and need of the club.

Ever since the first club started in 2004, FFAV has seen an incredible growth in the number of children and young people playing football, adults being trained, and an increased interest in the project activities in general.
One of the biggest challenges for immigrant families in Australia is integrating into a new culture and community. In New South Wales, one third of the refugee population are young people. Football United uses the power of sport to help integrate young refugees and families from diverse backgrounds into society in Australia. The organisation creates safe spaces that are free and accessible for young people to collaborate with others and develop a better understanding of their new community.

In Myanmar, Football United uses football to promote positive youth development, peace building and racial harmony among disadvantaged communities in Yangon and Mawlamyine. Myanmar is still rife with racial tension after hundreds of years of armed conflict between ethnic groups. Peace building is facilitated by empowering young people to become socially conscious coaches, role models and leaders in their communities.

By instilling cultural appreciation among youth, Football United hopes to reduce prejudice in Myanmar and attain long-standing peace.
FundLife International, founded in 2014, is an innovative organisation, which seeks to deliver experiential education to children and young people from severely marginalised and displaced communities.

Football for Life (FFLA), FundLife’s flagship programme, was first launched in 2014 in the Philippines after the super typhoon Haiyan struck forcing over one million children to leave their homes and claiming 7,000 casualties across the country. Initially a play therapy intervention, it has evolved into a community-based holistic educational programme which uses football as a medium to encourage children and young people to identify and pursue their dreams, as well as giving them the tools to break the cycle of poverty and dependence.

FundLife has created 5 safe spaces for displaced children to play, while the FFLA project employs community youth champions who reach children across 10 marginalised communities every week. FundLife also started a new project for the promotion of gender equality, entitled ‘Girls Community League’, creating and overseeing girls leagues across marginalised communities in the Philippines.
Founded in 2006, Indochina Starfish Foundation (ISF) believes that Cambodian children living in extreme poverty can build a brighter future, where they have access to quality education, healthcare and sport.

Through an accelerated Education Programme, ISF gives children who have never been to school the opportunity to complete two years of ‘standard’ education in one school year.

ISF believes that valuable life lessons and skills can also be learned outside the classroom. The organisation runs Cambodia’s widest-reaching grassroots community football programme. Through this programme, ISF aims to increase access to sports, build life skills, and improve the quality of life for underprivileged youth in urban and rural communities across Cambodia.

The football programme includes players who are deaf and hearing-impaired, blind and visually impaired, wheelchair users, HIV positive players and young people with intellectual and physical disabilities from local schools, organisations and community groups.
Due to endemic poverty, the majority of young people in Pakistan do not have the opportunity to experience a childhood. The literacy rate among young men is estimated at 53%, while rates for young women are at 42%. The youth unemployment rate stands at about 15%.

Karachi United (KU) was established in 1996 to promote football at the grassroots level and achieve football excellence in Pakistan. The organisation has now evolved to encourage community development through football. KU’s objectives are achieved via a two-pronged approach: the first involves establishing Centers of Excellence (CoEs) in various parts of the city that provide free football coaching to underprivileged children and work on the four-tier FEVH approach - football, education, vocational training and health awareness.

KU’s second major initiative is Football Development - establishing forums for exchange and discussion such as leagues and tournaments. Football Development also supports infrastructure development and football related education for a sustainable industry and provides opportunities including employment.
OFFERING FUTURE LIVELIHOODS TO YOUNG PEOPLE IN INDIA

In India, only 30% of adolescents have a secondary school education and about 40% of girls drop out of school by year 8 (age 14). 30% of these girls are married before the age of 18, and a mere 18.7% of young people in India have salaried jobs.

Magic Bus ensures that children in India do not miss out on their childhoods and take the journey towards better and dignified livelihoods as adults. The organisation combines mentoring with an activity-based curriculum that includes football, cricket and kabaddi. The programmes are designed to provide employment and training needs to young people.

In addition, Magic Bus’ Adolescent Education Programme enables young people to complete their formal education. Magic Bus provides this support through constant involvement from programme members and, most importantly, by mobilising parents in School Management Committees (SMCs).

VISION A world where children break out of poverty and lead fulfilling, rewarding lives, contributing positively to their community and to the world around them.

MISSION To take children and young people on a journey from a childhood of abject poverty and challenges such as child marriage and child labour, to a fulfilling life with a respectable livelihood.

2019 IMPACT

321,565 PEOPLE EMPOWERED

90% OF YOUNG LEADERS INCREASED THEIR KNOWLEDGE IN SPORT FOR DEVELOPMENT

MAGIC BUS

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MOST ADDRESSED SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS:
TACKLING THE EFFECTS OF POVERTY THROUGH EDUCATIONAL FOOTBALL

A lack of opportunity continues to be a major obstacle for children, especially females, in certain communities in India. Family pressure to marry early and start working - at the expense of receiving an education - is common practice, leading to high dropout rates and incomes below the poverty line.

The Organisation for Social Change Awareness and Responsibility (OSCAR) Foundation seeks to combat these issues through football. With weekly training sessions, the organisation raises awareness on issues such as decision-making, hygiene, child marriage and the importance of education.

The Young Leaders’ Programme is at OSCAR’s core helping young people build their careers and enabling them to give back to their communities. The programme consists of 3 months of intensive training including workshops and follow-up sessions, where participants attain skills in football coaching and personal development.

2019 IMPACT

4,487 PEOPLE EMPOWERED

500 PARTICIPANTS TRAINED THROUGH DIGITAL & EDUCATION PROGRAMME

VISION A world that enables young people to become role models to mobilise their communities for positive social change.

MISSION To use football to encourage leadership, teamwork and provide educational support for young people from economically and socially challenged communities.

OSCAR FOUNDATION

ORGANISATIONS IN ASIA

58
2019 IMPACT

PEOPLE EMPOWERED

1,586

RUMAH CEMARA

MISSION
To contribute to the national responses for HIV/AIDS and drug use, for rights-based policies, regulations and laws, and for opportunities for development.

VISION
An Indonesia without stigma and discrimination, where all people have equal access to quality health services, are protected under rights-based laws, and have the opportunity to develop.

PROMOTING REINTEGRATION INTO INDONESIAN SOCIETY

Throughout Indonesia, people who suffer from substance abuse or HIV/AIDS are faced with stigmatisation and discrimination. Additionally, access to adequate care is not widely available.

Rumah Cemara, founded to provide a safe and positive environment for people to recover and reintegrate into society, is a centre for drug rehabilitation and a support unit for people affected by HIV/AIDS.

The organisation uses football to empower participants in order to reintegrate them into the community, to raise awareness about substance abuse, and advocate for the rights of the people living with HIV/AIDS.

Rumah Cemara’s campaigns and events have even gone on to influence national policies, where persecuted people suffering from addiction are now provided with support and medical assistance.
In Battambang the average wage is less than $0.50 a day, far below the internationally recognised poverty level. Consequently, many young people drop out of school in order to begin working and helping their families. In addition, young girls are often exposed to domestic abuse and human trafficking.

SAL T Academy uses football as a tool to impact positive change in the community. Team sports are a powerful agent for effective change and as a tool to promote education, good health, and gender equality. SAL T empowers the community’s young people, with the aim of developing strong leaders who will one day lead the next generation.

The Mighty Girls programme creates safe spaces as a means to combat human trafficking, ensures proper education and mentorship for young women in the community and provides access to quality football training to break down social norms of gender discrimination.

SALT Academy carries out its programming year-round running three different leagues.
VISION To use the power of sport to engage with and empower children and young people by enabling and operating football-based programmes in slums, schools and communities across India.

MISSION To use the power of football to create opportunities of learning, development and empowerment for the underserved section of society.

2019 IMPACT

50,800 PEOPLE EMPOWERED

3,000+ PARTICIPANTS INCREASED INTEREST & ACADEMIC OUTCOMES IN SUBJECTS LIKE MATHEMATICS & ENGLISH

MOST ADDRESSED SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS:

PUSHING FOR EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR HOMELESS YOUNG PEOPLE IN INDIA

There are about 170 million people who live on the streets of India with no place to call home. This accounts for 17% of the world’s entire slum population. What’s more, around 260 million people in India earn less than $1 a day, a majority of them are women and children.

Slum Soccer, an NGO from the state of Maharashtra, aims to combat homelessness and improve the lives of millions of people. Football is used as the common thread that connects individuals to promote learning and empowerment within communities. The power of football teaches useful life skills such as teamwork, self-discipline, acceptance, and other ways to enhance social development.

Slum Soccer’s multiple programmes serve to enrich young people in underprivileged areas. Slum Soccer’s programmes include: training coaches and young leaders in their communities to push for equal opportunities. Slum Soccer also provides health camps lead by general physicians for participants to learn about hygiene and nutrition.
The Uni Papua Football Community tackles social challenges throughout the region, ranging from HIV/AIDS, to alcohol and drug abuse, and poor educational opportunities. The organisation uses football as a tool to bring young people together in order to educate them on the region’s issues and empower them to make good decisions for their lives. The organisation runs regular football training, life skill classes, and organises special events on topics such as healthy eating, HIV/AIDS awareness, and environmental issues. In addition, Uni Papua provides monthly English classes and computer literacy training.

The classes and activities aim to empower young people in the community and give them the foundation for becoming future leaders.
In the Jalandhar district of Punjab, India, 70% of the population works in agriculture and earn roughly 20,000 Rupees ($400) a year. Within this population about 60% of the village is Dalit, a group segregated into the lowest class of society. This community have on average very low literacy skills and lower incomes than the rest of the region, earning approximately 12,000 Rupees ($250) a year. The work is labour intensive and many young people start at an early age, creating high dropout rates in schools.

Founded in 2001, Youth Football Club Rurka Kalan (YFC), started as a local football club and has since progressed into a community grassroots organisation.

YFC’s goal is to empower underprivileged children and adolescents, guiding them to create positive lifestyles. The sports-based programmes teach young people a wide range of skills useful in becoming independent leaders and adults.
2019 IMPACT

520 PEOPLE EMPOWERED

100% OF YUWA SCHOOL STUDENTS PASSED THEIR NATIONAL BOARD EXAMINATIONS

VISION
That every girl’s future is in her own hands.

MISSION
To empower girls to be fully in charge of their future. Yuwa uses sport and education to put girls powerfully in charge of their own futures.

PROVIDING YOUNG GIRLS IN INDIA WITH THE TOOLS TO LEAD INDEPENDENT LIVES

Founded in 2009, Yuwa uses the power of football and education to empower girls to overcome violence, discover their self-worth, and take their futures into their own hands. The Yuwa School gives girls the tools they need to build the futures they envision for themselves. Today, 100 Yuwa players have joined the Yuwa School, with plans to build a permanent campus.

Yuwa’s local football teams are self-organised by the girls and enable them to support each other in resisting society’s pressure to marry early. These teams provide a safe space where girls build their confidence, courage, and a sense of self-worth together.
EUROPE

ALBION IN THE COMMUNITY UK
ALIVE AND KICKING UK
ASOCIACIÓN ALACRÁN SPAIN
ASSOCIACAO CAS PORTUGAL
BALON MUNDIAL ITALY
CHAMPIONS OHNE GRENZEN GERMANY
CROSS CULTURES PROJECT ASSOCIATION DENMARK
DENS LAW LEGACY TRUST UK
DIOGENES NGO GREECE
FOOTBALL FRIENDS BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA
GAME DENMARK
INEX - FUTBOL PRO RESOVI CZECH REPUBLIC
Johan Cruyff Foundation NETHERLANDS
KICKEN OHNE GREIZEN AUSTRIA
KICKFAIR GERMANY
LA ROTTANA SPAIN
LEAGUE TO TOLERANCE UKRAINE
MEIS POLAND
OLALOM SPORTS ASSOCIATION HUNGARY
ORGANIZATION EARTH GREECE

POLICY CENTER FOR ROMA AND MINORITIES ROMANIA
REDF DEPORTE SPAIN
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SCOTT FOUNDATION SWITZERLAND
SPIRIT OF FOOTBALL GERMANY
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SPORT DANS LA VILLE FRANCE
SPORT&LIFE UK UK
STREET CHILD UNITED UK
STREET LEAGUE UK
TIGERS TRUST UK
WASH UNITED GERMANY
WOMEN WIN NETHERLANDS

34 ORGANISATIONS
22 COUNTRIES
490K PEOPLE EMPOWERED
MOST ADDRESSED GLOBAL GOALS
Albion in the Community (AICT) uses the power of football as a tool to inspire children, young people and adults to achieve their goals and fulfil their potential. Football provides a basis for physical fitness and healthy living, but it also captures the interest of people of all ages and backgrounds. As a specialist in the field, Albion in the Community knows that the game of football is particularly effective in addressing some of the most pressing social issues locally.

From football employability initiatives, providing free weekly football sessions delivered alongside lifestyle and job skills workshops, to working with schools, to support pupils’ numeracy, AITC’s work shows how football can engage people and transcend barriers.

AITC helps to address a lack of confidence, low levels of education or health concerns.

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In 2003, a group of friends set off with the intention of founding a football club in the Hortaleza neighbourhood of Madrid. However, like the reality that surrounded them, the team couldn’t escape the social and economic challenges.

With many of the players living below the poverty line, Asociación Alacrán 1997 was born to combat the violation of children’s rights and alleviate the effects of poverty. In Hortaleza, young people are continually faced with a future offering limited opportunities; where high unemployment rates are compounded by incoming migration that is perceived as negative. In addition there is a lack of safe spaces to play and educational support.

Asociación Alacrán pursues a holistic approach, offering educational, social and football programmes for the children and youth of the neighbourhood. The football programme focuses on providing equal opportunities to everyone, improving the participants’ capacities and attitudes and helping them to become active, responsible and leading citizens. By using football as a tool, the main goal is to foster personal development among participants.

**VISION**
A Hortaleza which guarantees the right for all young people protection and care, while securing the opportunity to both play and receive high-quality education within a future that holds equal prospects for all.

**MISSION**
To mitigate the effects of poverty and promote the personal and social development of vulnerable young people in Hortaleza.

**2018 IMPACT**

**222 PEOPLE EMPOWERED**

**3 NEW TEAMS CREATED**

**MOST ADDRESSED SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS:**

- **1** - Zero Hunger
- **2** - Quality Education
- **3** - Good Health and Well-being
- **4** - Gender Equality
- **5** - Peaceful and Inclusive Societies
ASSOCIAÇÃO CAIS

VISION  To contribute to the improvement of the living conditions of young people facing poverty, unemployment, social exclusion and homelessness through a process of capacity building, empowerment, employability towards active citizenship.

MISSION  To promote and support the capacity building, empowerment and autonomy of people in a situation of poverty and social exclusion, including those experiencing homelessness.

2018 IMPACT

1,801 PEOPLE EMPOWERED

93% OF MOVE SESSION PARTICIPANTS DEVELOPED THEIR TEAMWORK & CONFLICT RESOLUTION SKILLS

ENABLING HOMELESS YOUNG PEOPLE IN PORTUGAL TO REGAIN THEIR INDEPENDENCE

With homelessness already a major problem in Portugal and employment rates dropping drastically over the last decade, the number of people pushed under the poverty line has increased by up to 30% since 2008.

CAIS was founded in 1994 to support people suffering from extreme poverty and social exclusion - homeless people, in particular - to give them the chance to regain independence and control over their lives.

CAIS’ programme “Futebol de Rua” was started in 2004 with participation in the annual Homeless World Cup and has evolved into a nationwide project. Today, it delivers regular football training sessions while at the same time offering participants further activities to foster their personal, occupational and educational development.
Due to its location on the Mediterranean and membership in the European Union, Italy has become a popular haven for refugees and migrants from around the world. With immigrants making up over 10 percent of Italy’s population, social integration resources are increasingly strained.

Balon Mundial was founded in 2007 to use football as a tool to integrate refugees and migrants and break down local prejudice towards them. Its football-based programmes tackle ethnic and gender inequality, combat exclusion and challenge social barriers as well as strengthen links between the local and migrant communities.

Alongside its annual tournament, the "Balon Mundial Cup" - the world cup of migrant communities living in Turin, and “Football Communities” (a tournament composed of teams of players from Turin refugee shelters), Balon Mundial trains a refugee team called “Senza Frontiere FC”, which serves to improve players’ soft skills, thereby opening up job opportunities and helping players to find their way in their new home. The team is mixed with refugees and Italians playing together.
Amidst the recent surge of refugees to the German federal states of Berlin and Brandenburg, the ever-present obstacle of integration has hindered many newcomers’ opportunity for inclusion.

In 2012, CHAMPIONS ohne GRENZEN (CHoG) was founded to provide support for new arrivals to Germany, as well as establish a welcoming and lasting culture of diversity.

CHoG promotes exchange and communication and identifies fields in refugee policies which are often overlooked. Football provides an excellent means of affirmative action for the sustainable desegregation of any marginalised social group.

CHoG holds weekly football practices with young people who would otherwise have difficulty gaining access to football sessions in Germany. These training sessions are free and open to any gender and followed by voluntary consulting sessions, or a “tea circle,” where participants have the opportunity to receive help and advice on navigating life in their new country.
The effects of war and ethnic conflicts are often still visible for many years after the violence has ended - affecting communities and preventing them from returning to a normal life. Major challenges remain today to bring stability back to post-conflict communities with mistrust, fear, hatred and the violence of the former frontlines still lingering in people’s minds.

Cross Cultures Project Association (CCPA) was formed in 1999 with the belief that dialogue and collaboration are the best learning tools for bridging communities affected by war and conflict.

CCPA has used dialogue and collaboration to develop, implement and participate in projects bridging societal divides with the main objectives of promoting a culture of peace and non-violence, gender equality, ethnic and social integration, child protection, voluntarism and cross-sectorial cooperation.
The Denis Law Legacy Trust is a Scottish registered charity that operates and delivers a number of ‘free to access’ programmes and positive destination activities across the city of Aberdeen.

The organisation enables young people to take part in and gain access to sport and other creative activities within their local communities.

Denis Law Legacy Trust’s goal is to reduce instances of youth crime and anti-social behaviour by promoting health and well-being and encouraging inclusivity through sport, physical activity and creative endeavour.

The organisation offers a variety of sporting activities, such as football, hockey, basketball and badminton. Football, however, makes up 60% to 70% of all activities.
Homelessness in Greece is a significant social issue that is estimated to affect over 20,000 people. The increased economic hardship since 2009 has led to a significant rise in the number of homeless children and adolescents across the country.

Diogenes NGO is an organisation that launched its flagship ‘Kick Out Poverty’ campaign in Greece back in 2007. The organisation offers a wide range of activities and social programmes that aim to empower people living on the streets, who are excluded from society, to support themselves and raise social awareness.

The ‘Kick Out Poverty’ campaign is a global social sporting movement that uses the power of football to address a broad range of issues that affect the lives of Greek young people. The main issues include human rights and education, the promotion of good health, fair play, anti-discrimination, social change and integration. An integral part of the campaign’s activities include visiting schools and organising street football tournaments nationwide with the aim of encouraging and promoting the participation of marginalised young people.
The political upheaval and violence of the nineties crippled all aspects of society in the republics of former Yugoslavia, leaving the region’s young people continually affected by their countries’ recent past.

Football Friends was established in 2005 aiming to help socially deprived children from this generation to transform their lives and heal the fragmented society. In cooperation with organisations such as the British Council and various municipalities, Football Friends provides educational initiatives to improve youth development.

The Street Football League by Football Friends in the city of Foca, Bosnia and Herzegovina, allows children to change their mindsets, as they have the chance to meet and interact with other children of different origins in a safe setting. The children also engage in workshops focusing on a range of issues such as crime, drug addiction, hooliganism, fair play and cultural learning.

VISION
To develop a regional network that interconnects and strengthens long-term football based social development initiatives that transform the lives of individuals from the Balkan region and South-East Europe, increasing their opportunities and consolidating an environment of social change, friendship and tolerance.

MISSION
To act at the regional level as the facilitator between different NGOs and institutions focusing on social development through football.

2019 IMPACT

480 PEOPLE EMPOWERED

HEALING THE FRAGMENTED SOCIETIES OF THE FORMER YUGOSLAVIA

FOOTBALL FRIENDS

75 ORGANISATIONS IN EUROPE

MOST ADDRESSED SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS:
PROMOTING FAIR PLAY ON AND OFF THE PITCH IN THE CZECH REPUBLIC

The UN Committee on the Rights of the Child has expressed concerns on the system of care for vulnerable children and adolescents in the Czech Republic.

Founded in 2006, INEX / Fotbal Pro Rozvoj is driven by its desire to develop the life skills of children through football and connect groups of people from different social and cultural backgrounds.

Fotbal Pro Rozvoj cooperates with youth organisations and non-formal educational institutions to create a football for good platform for at-risk children and young people in the Czech Republic - to kick the ball for better world.

Fotbal Pro Rozvoj works with more than 20 organisations from all over the Czech Republic to organise fair play tournaments across the country based on the concept of football3. football3 brings into play the development of social values such as teamwork, the ability to lead a discussion, mutual understanding and responsibility when working in a team.

VISION
A society where fair play is played on and off the pitch.

MISSION
To inspire young people to become role models in society by teaching them fair play, respect, open-minded thinking, tolerance, responsible behaviour and solidarity through football.

INEX /FOTBAL PRO ROZVOJ

2019 IMPACT

450 PEOPLE EMPOWERED

300 PARTICIPANTS OF FAIR PLAY FOOTBALL LEAGUE INCREASED COMMUNICATION, CONFLICT RESOLUTION & SELF-CONFIDENCE SKILLS

MOST ADDRESSED SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS:

1 Peace & justice
2 Gender equality
6 Clean water & sanitation
10 Reduced inequalities
17 Partnership for the goals
Since 1997, the Johan Cruyff Foundation has been developing Cruyff Courts, mini-pitches in the community, and Special Cruyff Courts built at schools and institutions for children with Special Needs. The organisation provides safe local places for children and young people to play, no matter their background. The “Schoolyard14” project even gives pupils the opportunity to design their own schoolyard play areas.

During the summer, Johan Cruyff Foundation staff visit refugee centres with portable Cruyff Courts and provide a week of activities for the children, in partnership with local organisations. They train young people to become coaches through their “Heroes of the Cruyff Courts” programme. These young leaders then organise sports events for children in the community, giving them an opportunity to discover and develop their talents and become change-makers themselves.
Refugees and asylum seekers in Austria face challenges integrating into society through restrained access to employability, compounded by language and cultural barriers. Close to 11% of people between the ages of 15 and 24 are classified as neither in education or employment.

Kicken Ohne Grenzen (KoG) emphasizes the role of the “common language” of football in closing communication gaps between communities to facilitate integration. The organisation offers open football programming for young people from disadvantaged communities, allowing them to participate in free training programmes and gain cultural familiarity through an informal environment. KoG leads weekly training sessions for children and young adults with a refugee background, incorporating educational programmes and promoting life skills to enable participants to take control over their lives in an unfamiliar environment, as well as providing job training.

446 PEOPLE EMPOWERED

100% OF FEMALE FOOTBALLERS STATED THAT PLAYING FOOTBALL HELPED THEM TO BE MORE RESPECTFUL IN THEIR DAILY LIFE
KICKFAIR is a not-for-profit organisation with projects in the fields of education, learning and intercultural understanding. Its approach is needs-oriented – alongside addressing the current societal challenges that affect children and young people who are educationally and socially disadvantaged in Germany. KICKFAIR offers a framework where they discover their potential and learn how to unfold it in order to build positive prospects for their future lives.

To achieve this, KICKFAIR has developed a holistic learning concept based on street football. Through this concept, young people actively participate in various roles and tasks, take on responsibility, negotiate common rules and values, resolve conflicts and develop strengths from their various talents. Participants are guided in the process of taking on leadership roles for social cohesion through togetherness, diversity, pluralism and inclusion.

KICKFAIR currently implements 40 programmes across Germany and is part of an international learning collaboration ('Football-Learning-Global') with ten like-minded organisations across the world. With these organisations, KICKFAIR works long-term and on an eye-level basis on joint solutions for societal challenges that are effective – locally AND globally.
VISION  Life with joy and fun for every player*, on or off the field of interaction. “It does not matter how you play, it matters that you are playing!”

MISSION  To create educational opportunities that add colour to life.

2019 IMPACT

150 PEOPLE EMPOWERED

88% OF PARTICIPANTS MOTIVATED TO BE AGENT OF CHANGE FOR GENDER EQUALITY

CHAMPIONING THE RIGHTS OF CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE IN UKRAINE

The League of Tolerance (LOFT) is an organisation focused on the social education of people through sport, democratic participation, and entrepreneurship. It is an association of human rights defenders, trainers, artists, coaches and youth workers united in aim to protect the rights of children and young people in Ukraine; especially underserved young people, such as those with disabilities, ethnic minorities, and young parents. LOFT aims to create sustainable and attractive conditions for young people’s involvement, participation and development in sport.

The organisation was formed in 2014 when the violent conflict in Eastern Ukraine started, and became officially registered in 2016. Since then, the organisation has developed significant experience in the sport for development sector, implementing the international “Play for Human Rights!” campaign, Holistic Football Schools on national level, as well as the “Come on! Let’s play” initiative in Ivano-Frankivsk, the organisation’s home town. The organisation’s work is guided by five core values: education without borders, recognition of social work, equal involvement of women in sports, solidary decisions and actions, and entrepreneurship as a lifestyle.
2019 IMPACT

PEOPLE EMPOWERED

9,861

FOOTBALL3 (FAIRPLAY FOOTBALL) SESSIONS CONDUCTED

342

REVERSING SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC EXCLUSION IN POLAND

In the town of Mrągowo more than 500 families are at risk of social and economic exclusion. Young people in this area have a high rate of long-term unemployment and high rates of drug addiction.

Founded in 2009, MSIS set out to help young people better themselves and reach their potential through the power of football. The organisation has a team of professionals who provide a place for young people in the community to play football and work together.

MSIS create opportunities for young people to gain vital job skills that open up opportunities for them. They also run sessions with mixed-gender teams to champion gender equality as well as engage more girls in football.

In addition to this programme MSIS has created the Futbol Zmienia Project, a safe space where football is used for social change. This space was created to help young people who are struggling with problems like addiction, crime, violence, disabilities, and homelessness.
Young people in Hungary face a number of challenges growing up with high rates of youth unemployment and limited access to higher education, which often result in drug and substance abuse.

Operating in the spirit of fair play, tolerance and social inclusion, Oltalom Sport Association has been using sport as an innovative educational tool for more than 10 years, providing the opportunity for hundreds of people yearly to flourish both mentally and physically in their free training sessions.

The organisation uses sport to involve participants in other areas such as social work, job training, further education and learning English.

Oltalom believes that regular physical exercise and teamplay not only improves health and reduces tendencies leading toward drug abuse, it strengthens the sense of community and belonging.

VISION
To offer a possibility to all to feel that they are a valuable part of the society they live in.

MISSION
To prevent social exclusion and to enhance social integration by using sport as an innovative tool for people regardless of their socio-economic status. To reach out to those who are in need and offer stability and regularity to those who come to training and, by involving them in social services, to enable them to improve their lives.

2019 IMPACT

1,024 PEOPLE EMPOWERED

62% OF PARTICIPANTS ABLE TO DEAL WITH CRITICISM IN A CONSTRUCTIVE WAY AFTER PARTICIPATING IN PROGRAMMES

Oltalom Sport Association

82 ORGANISATIONS IN EUROPE

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AIDING A SENSE OF BELONGING AND COMMUNITY THROUGH SPORT

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VISION
A future without inequality, where all of nature’s beings are protected, including plants & animals, within an empowered society that respects all of its members equally independent of race, religion, and social status.

MISSION
Organization Earth’s goal through its Hope Sports initiative is to use the universal language of sport to fight inequalities, eradicate poverty and combat climate change.

500
PEOPLE EMPOWERED

2019 IMPACT

ORGANIZATION EARTH

USING FOOTBALL TO TACKLE INEQUALITIES AND POVERTY IN GREECE

Organization Earth is a Greek civil society organisation that began as a movement to raise awareness on sustainable lifestyles in urban centres. Early on, its programmes were based on the principle of connecting people to nature, with a special focus on organic urban agriculture learning for children and vulnerable groups.

In 2015, as a response to the refugee crisis, Organization Earth expanded its activities aiming to combat discrimination and tackle inequalities in areas and populations that are hard to reach.

The inaugural project under the new mandate was Hope Refugee FC, the first football team in Greece consisting solely of migrants & refugees that sparked further initiatives and projects using the power of sports as a tool for change.

Today, Organization Earth’s social inclusion initiative “Hope Sports” is implementing numerous programmes besides the football team, and includes children, women and men. A large percentage of participants are migrants, however a growing number of projects tackle societal issues in general such as gender inequality, learning disabilities and long-term unemployment.
Roma exclusion in Romania has been perpetuated over generations. Inadequate education and healthcare coupled with the lack of employment opportunities means there is little chance of escaping poverty in Roma communities.

Policy Center for Roma and Minorities (PCRM), established in 2008 in Romania, uses football to advance the social inclusion of Roma and other ethnic minorities and mobilises people to become active citizens of their society.

PCRM has created the Alternative Education Club, establishing a safe space for children living in neighbourhoods susceptible to trafficking, prostitution, and extreme poverty.

Participants receive counselling and guidance with the aim of strengthening community ties through sport and football.

The work of PCRM supports the Roma minority and other ethnic groups to become active citizens of society and stimulate the majority to actively participate in the social inclusion process.
Due to a sharp influx of refugees coming to Spain, over half of whom are under the age of 18, integration is more important than ever. A large number of the young population face barriers in attaining a higher education due to a lack of financial resources. This leads to challenges for young people to find work and become financially independent.

Red Deporte uses football as the medium both in Spain, where programmes are primarily aimed at immigrant integration, and in developing countries where projects are delivered in collaboration with existing local partners and implementers. Football sessions are combined with activities that foster young people’s development around topics such as health, employability, education, community leadership and good governance.

The organisation also strives to promote intercultural integration through sport in migrant communities throughout Spain by hosting Football For Integration tournaments.
Founded in 2006 in Cologne, RheinFlanke has eight site locations in Germany. The organisation’s main purpose is to provide equal opportunities to children, teenagers and adolescents, including many children of immigrants, with little access to education and society.

As a means of building trust and enhancing engagement, RheinFlanke encourages young people to participate in a variety of sports (particularly football-based) initiatives. Alongside sports activities and life skill trainings, RheinFlanke offers one-to-one mentoring and job coaching to young people, allowing them to develop work skills and connect them with local entrepreneurs and employers. RheinFlanke is a strong partner of schools and local football clubs to provide workshops on health and against radicalisation, violence and bullying.

Many years of experience coupled with a team of more than 70 staff members, RheinFlanke, supports vulnerable young people using the social potential of football to provide positive employability outcomes.
TRAINING COACHES TO USE FOOTBALL AS A TOOL FOR GOOD ACROSS THE WORLD

Many disadvantaged young people have a crisis of confidence, which is often caused by their perceived ‘lack’ of something that many of their peers have. The vision of the SCORT Foundation is a world in which all children living in difficult circumstances are able to play sport and are inspired to subsequently develop positive social skills and aspirations.

The SCORT Foundation operates in 15 different countries globally. Young Coaches are encouraged to apply their newly developed social and sporting skills by actively engaging with their communities and organising regular football activities for disadvantaged children.

The goal is to have these young women and men act as multipliers, using football as a sustainable tool to promote health, inclusion, convey core values and foster children’s development.

VISION  Use the unifying power and values of football to contribute to the education of disadvantaged young people and to sustainably foster their development.

MISSION  Educate young people as qualified football coaches and role models for disadvantaged children and, in doing so, inspire them to become socially engaged in their community.

2019 IMPACT

177 PEOPLE EMPOWERED

100% OF YOUNG COACHES INCREASED LEADERSHIP & COACHING CAPACITY THROUGH PROGRAMME

MOST ADDRESSED SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS:

ORGANISATIONS IN EUROPE

87

SCORT FOUNDATION
Many children in Europe between the ages of 8 and 16 live in low-income areas, of which a significant proportion has a migration background. As well as struggling with economic hardship, the rural neighbourhoods in which these young people live are politically more right-wing. Integration is a significant issue facing these children and adolescents, often resulting in further problems and community tension.

Spirit of Football (SoF) was created to bring people from different cultures together around the 2006 World Cup. Through support from a local university (University of Erfurt), the project “One ball, One World” was born. This ball is the equivalent of the Olympic torch, which is carried globally, engaging communities around the world to form an interactive education on cultures.

Since then, Spirit of Football has developed further programming through refugee integration training, holiday camps for underprivileged children, and cultural evenings. Additionally, SoF runs university seminars and works with children and adolescents in schools and communities, educating trainers, educators and social workers to pass on methods in their own clubs and communities.
Aid agencies estimate that nearly 600,000 children live on the streets in Ethiopia. With many children working to escape poverty (estimates show that 40 percent of children start to work before the age of six), a lack of education, child prostitution and begging are rife.

Sport – The Bridge aims to reintegrate street children into their families and public schools. Sport lessons are used to prepare children for life in the family and foster their personal development. Simultaneously, the families of the children receive assistance, laying the foundation for successful reintegration.

The programme is based on the idea of ‘help for self-help’. In line with its dual approach, Sport – The Bridge’s national project in Switzerland promotes intercultural understanding. Using sports and games, the organisation promotes direct encounters between people with different cultural backgrounds, seeking to promote mutual understanding and reducing barriers.
Migrant advocacy groups warn that Irish children are becoming increasingly racist, as figures show almost one in every five cases of racial abuse is perpetrated by under 18s.

Sport Against Racism Ireland (SARI) was founded in 1997 as a direct response to the growth of racist attacks from a small but vocal section of people in Ireland. This was a result of a dramatic increase in the number of foreign nationals living in Ireland.

SARI’s mission is to support cultural integration and social inclusion in Ireland by using sport, particularly football, as a medium to combat racism, sectarianism, homophobia and other forms of discrimination.

SARI’s Soccerfest is Ireland’s largest intercultural football tournament for men, women and children, attracting over 4000 people annually. While the organisation’s annual Fair Play Football Cup involves over 100 football players drawn from refugee and community groups aiming to highlight the contribution of refugees to communities throughout Ireland.
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Its free football programmes teach positive values such as teamwork, hard work, self-confidence and dedication, leading young people on the path toward a brighter future.

SDLV’s football sessions combined with professional skills training and job placement programmes move young people from unemployment to opportunity.

THE VISION
To ensure equal opportunities for young people from disadvantaged neighbourhoods by sharing key values with them, such as respect, commitment, entrepreneurial spirit, confidence, and hard work.

THE MISSION
To promote social and professional integration for young people living in disadvantaged neighbourhoods.

2019 IMPACT

5,300 people empowered

78% of families believe SDLV has had a significant impact on their children’s lives and on their community

Most addressed sustainable development goals:

From unemployment to career opportunities through football

The rate of unemployment among young people in France is more than double that of the overall population. Perhaps more concerning, the unemployment rate among French adolescents aged 20-24 has not fallen below 16% in almost 30 years.

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Founded in 2006, Sport 4 Life UK is a non-profit organisation that provides a helping hand to disadvantaged children and young people through sports-themed educational programmes.

Sport 4 Life runs a sports-themed personal development programme for socially excluded 12-16-year-olds that tackles the issue of youth unemployment, by developing vital life skills like confidence, leadership and communication.

The organisation also has a sports-themed employability and personal development programme for 16-29-year-olds who are not in education, employment or training. This initiative focuses on developing young people’s employability and key life skills, providing them with continued support on their way to entering the workforce.

VISION
A level playing field where every young person has the opportunity to create a better future for themselves.

MISSION
To create a better future for young people aged 11 to 29 by improving their employability and key life skills, through sports-themed personal development programmes.

2019 IMPACT

815 PEOPLE EMPOWERED

139 YOUNG PEOPLE GAINED AN ACCREDITED QUALIFICATION

TACKLING YOUTH UNEMPLOYMENT THROUGH FOOTBALL

Most Addressed Sustainable Development Goals:

Sport 4 Life UK
The UN estimates that there are 150 million street-connected children across the world today. Life on the streets is dangerous - instead of receiving support these children are often blamed for their circumstances and, as a result, marginalised and mistreated.

Street Child United believes in a world in which street children have access to the same rights as all other children. It is a world in which they are protected, supported and given opportunities to realise their potential. Street Child United provides a global platform through which children receive protection, support and opportunities. Ahead of the world’s biggest sporting competitions, it organises international events and places street children at the centre of the call for their rights. It uses the power of sport, the arts and children’s voices to challenge the negative perceptions and treatment of street children.

Ahead of the 2014 World Cup, 230 former street children from 19 countries gathered in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, for the tournament. Again, ahead of Russia 2018, more than 200 young people from 20 countries came together in Moscow.
Founded in London in 2003, Street League is a non-profit organisation that seeks to end youth unemployment across the UK. The organisation uses a unique programme of football and education to help participants improve their health, extend their social networks and gain a positive outlook.

Youth unemployment rates vary drastically across the UK, with some regions at more than double the national average. In these regions over a quarter of 16-24-year-olds are unemployed. Street League combines the power of daily sport and fitness activities with classes that offer CV writing, interview skills and career advice. Its progression services then support individuals in finding sustainable employment, education or training.

Over the last 15 years, Street League has offered individuals football as a holistic solution to their social challenges. Since its origination, Street League has expanded to deliver Academies throughout the UK in 14 different cities including London, Manchester, Liverpool, Leeds, Birmingham, Sheffield, Middlesbrough as well as Glasgow, Edinburgh, Dundee and other cities in Scotland.
CHANGING THE FORTUNES OF YOUNG PEOPLE IN HULL, UNITED KINGDOM

Once voted the worst place to live in the UK, Hull was beset by social issues such as obesity and social exclusion. Now that the city is making a comeback, much of the corrective attention has been placed on the city’s young people.

Founded in 1990, the Tigers Sport and Education Trust uses football as a medium to tackle a wide range of issues in Hull, including health and social inclusion. Tiger Trusts’ Junior Programme provides children ages 4-12 with a number of exciting opportunities to keep them active and meet new friends. By working with many of the region’s primary schools it aims to increase confidence and motivate more children to take up sporting opportunities beyond school. Further, the Kicks International programme works with a number of refugee and displaced children, and holds weekly football sessions.

The organisation also offers a Disability Programme that provides individuals aged 5+ living with any form of disability with a memorable experience of sport and physical activity. Participants will develop skills, make new friends and feel a part of the football club.
Using Football-Based Games for Sanitation and Hygiene Management

Diarrheal diseases, spread by a lack of toilets and poor hygiene, kill more children on the African continent under the age of five than HIV/AIDS, malaria and measles combined; simultaneously costing the economy billions of dollars per year. Almost 40% of the world population does not have access to simple necessities like a clean toilet.

WASH United operates in Africa, India and South Asia. Using football-based interactive games, storytelling and educational materials, it educates and creates long-term behaviour change in children and adolescents in a fun and participatory way about the importance of safe drinking water, sanitation and hygiene.

WASH United develops a solution for football organisations that want to integrate WASH (water, sanitation and hygiene) and MHM (menstrual hygiene management) trainings into their programmes.

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Vision
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EMPOWERING WOMEN AND GIRLS TO OVERCOME GENDER INEQUALITY

Around the world, women continue to fight for equal rights, as women generally only earn 77% of a man’s salary in similar positions.

Founded in 2007, Women Win supports organisations that use sport as a tool to empower girls and young women to know their rights, specifically regarding gender-based violence, sexual health, and economic empowerment.

With extensive expertise in women’s rights, Women Win has developed collaborative, open source learning tools including an interactive guide for building sports programmes for girls and improving the female inclusion in existing programmes.

Using workshops and trainings to connect organisations across various sectors and continents, Women Win facilitates resource sharing, aligning the fight for women’s rights with sport for development.

VISION
A more inclusive world where all young people have the opportunity to reach their inherent potential.

MISSION
To use football as a vehicle for positive change, providing underserved young people with a toolkit to overcome obstacles to growth, inclusion, and personal success.

2019 IMPACT

77,262 PEOPLE EMPOWERED

49 WORKSHOPS IN 33 DIFFERENT COUNTRIES FACILITATED REACHING 1,129 WORKSHOP PARTICIPANTS

MOST addressd sustainable development goals:

- Gender equality
- Quality education
- Good health and well-being
- Peace and justice
LATIN AMERICA

ACCION POR UNA EDUCACION ACTIVA | BOLIVIA
ASOCIACION CIVIL ANDAR | ARGENTINA
ASOCIACION CIVIL GUERREROS UNIDOS | URUGUAY
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ASOCIACION CIVIL WARA | PERU
ASOCIACION CRISTIANA DE MUCHOS DEL RIO GRANDE DO SUL | BRAZIL
CAMAGUAY | CUBA
CENTRO DE EDUCACION Y DESARROLLO | PERU
COMUNITARIO | PERU
FUNDAÇÃO ESPORTIVA E EDUCACIONAL PRO | BRAZIL
CRIANÇA E ADOLESCENTE | BRAZIL
FUNDAÇÃO COLOMBIANOS | COLOMBIA
FUNDAÇÃO DE LAS AMERICAS PARA EL DESARROLLO | ECUADOR

FUNDACIÓN EDUCERE | CHILE
FUNDACIÓN TIEMPO DE JUEGO | COLOMBIA
FÚTBOL CON CORAZÓN | COLOMBIA
FÚTBOL MÁS CHILE
INSTITUTO BOLA FRA FRONTE | BRAZIL
INSTITUTO FAZER ACONTECER | BRAZIL
INSTITUTO FORMACAO | BRAZIL
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PASION PESADA | VENEZUELA
PROYECTO CANtera | MEXICO
SERPIGNION | COSTA RICA
UTECER | BRAZIL

23 ORGANIZATIONS
18 COUNTRIES
150K PEOPLE Empowered
MOST ADDRESSED GLOBAL GOALS
Acción Por una Educación Activa (APEA) was founded in 2009 with the aim of using movement and especially football to stimulate educational experiences for young people in both rural and urban Bolivia. APEA was born through the work of French organisation “Sport Sans Frontières” - which developed education programmes in the country between 2003 and 2008.

APEA’s “Football Schools, Life Schools: a goal against the abuse” programme aims to promote the development of resilience of vulnerable Bolivian children and young people living in conditions of marginalisation and poverty. As well as facilitating the process of excelling academically, APEA aims to strengthen the resilience and capacity of the surrounding family network, in a playful and spontaneous manner. All sessions are based upon the Ju.G.A.R. methodology, forged through APEA’s experience in the field and built upon the following four pillars: Play, Globality, Attitude, and Reflection. Sessions contain both pre- and post-match discussions to encourage reflection about the challenges confronted, both in the daily lives of participants and those linked to challenges faced on the pitch.

APEA - ACCIÓN POR UNA EDUCACIÓN ACTIVA

VISION
To educate, both through and about movement, to develop the physical, social, emotional, and rational intelligence of young people living in underprivileged areas.

MISSION
Use football to support the overall development of the individual, making each educational experience an opportunity for personal growth.

2018 IMPACT

750 PEOPLE EMPOWERED

BUILDING RESILIENCE THROUGH PLAY IN BOLIVIA

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According to a recent study by the World Bank, the unemployment rate among disabled people in Argentina is estimated to be close to 91 percent. Poverty is often a by-product of disability, those affected also tend to experience widespread exclusion from the social and political life of their communities.

Founded in 1991, Asociación Civil Andar creates innovative opportunities to unlock the potential of people with disabilities and help them play an active role in society. Through a combination of work experience programmes, sports, arts, culture and health-related activities, the organisation offers this vulnerable group a path out of exclusion.

Civil Andar’s “Liga de Fútbol Inclusiva” (Inclusive Football League) uses the power of football to promote and foster the active participation of people with disabilities in society, while also addressing stigmatisation and prejudice.
VISION To be a leading organisation in children's and adolescents' rights, coordinating with public organisations and civil society in the creation and execution of programmes and proposals for addressing various situations that violate the rights and social integration of children, adolescents, young people and their families, at a national and regional level.

MISSION Strengthen democratic processes that enable the integral development of children and adolescents as subjects of law, within the framework of the defence and promotion of Human Rights and especially the rights of children and adolescents.

2018 IMPACT

1,070 PEOPLE EMPOWERED

72% OF PARTICIPANTS STATE THAT THE FOOTBALL PROGRAMME HELPED THEM TO RESOLVE CONFLICTS PEACEFULLY

FORGING A FUTURE WITHOUT THE RISK OF CHILD LABOUR

In Montevideo and Las Piedras, thousands of young people have little or no access to adequate education, forcing them into labour-intensive jobs and creating one of the most challenging social issues in the region.

In 1989, Asociación Civil Gurises Unidos was founded to protect and promote the human rights of children and adolescents in Uruguay. The organisation has a large range of programmes running throughout Uruguay that focus on topics such as child labour, gender and civil society, nutrition and health, youth leadership and sports. Since integrating football into its curriculum to raise levels of participation, Asociación Civil Gurises Unidos has reached and worked with over 6,000 children and young people, thereby gaining renown in the football for development field across Latin America.
Callao has some of the highest poverty rates in Peru. Many young people are forced to forgo schooling to begin work - usually labour intensive jobs - to help provide for their families.

Since 1978 Asociación Civil Los Pioneros has developed multiple football-based programmes in the city of Callao - a port city located west of Peru’s capital Lima. Football is at the heart of the organisation’s education framework creating an environment of freedom, fun, and empowerment.

Los Pioneros believes every child and adolescent should have access to quality education, health care and have the power to choose their own destiny. Every child on the programme has the opportunity to participate in and organise projects to help promote education, well-being and life skills. Such skills are vital for the future of young people in areas rife with poverty and violence.

Los Pioneros’ programmes focus on the vision that all young people have the right to better themselves and become leaders in the community. These beliefs are built on the main pillars of honesty, solidarity, reciprocity and transparency.

**VISION**  To be pioneers in the creation of educational, safe, healthy and harmonious communities in Callao, where every young person has rights, participates and is able to cultivate life projects, inclusivity and dignified development.

**MISSION**  To promote positive changes in vulnerable children, adolescents and young people in Callao, who are at social risk, by improving their quality of life and learning, through sports, art, education and culture.

**PARTICIPANTS TRAINED IN VIOLENCE PREVENTION**

**PEOPLE EMPOWERED**

**MOST ADDRESSED SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS:**

- **No Poverty**
- **Zero Hunger**
- **Good Health and Wellbeing**
- **Quality Education**
- **Peace and Justice**
- **Partnerships**
SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS:

VISION  To be recognised by 2021 in the southern region of Peru as a leading institution contributing to the endogenous and sustainable development that promotes the political, economic and cultural inclusion of the country based on the impact on public policies in favour of excluded population groups.

MISSION  Promote the equitable participation of men, women and children, strengthening the individual and collective potential to contribute to the construction of a fair and dignified society.

2018 IMPACT

600 PEOPLE EMPOWERED

70% OF PARTICIPANTS TRAINED IN FOOTBALL3 (FAIRPLAY FOOTBALL) METHODOLOGY

SUPPORTING YOUNG PEOPLE IN PERU TO TACKLE SOCIAL MARGINALISATION

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Football is also used to foster positive social behaviour, teamwork and better communication. The role of women is always a predominant feature of the games and rules are used to encourage more respect between the sexes and break down a culture of machismo. Parents of participants, and the community at large, are also invited to take part and educate themselves.

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It is estimated that around half of families living in Porto Alegre in Brazil live in poverty which leads to serious problems with housing, basic sanitation, social rights and difficulties entering the labour market. All of which often results in social exclusion.

Through its multiple centres in Porto Alegre, Associação Cristã de Moços do Rio Grande do Sul (ACM) seeks to ensure that everyone, irrespective of their social status, has the necessary opportunities to develop their potential, aim for a better future and become a change agent in their family and community.

ACM sees sport as a medium for social development. It organises sports sessions for football, volleyball and hapkido in underserved communities where opportunities to take part in physical activities are limited. The sport programme aims to drive individual and collective development, social inclusion, promote healthy relations and values such as teamwork, discipline, cooperation, tolerance and solidarity.
CAMAQUITO

VISION  Make children happy through football.

MISSION  To help children and adolescents in Cuba in the fields of education, sports, culture, health and the environment.

2018 IMPACT

1,071 PEOPLE EMPOWERED

ORGANISATIONS IN LATIN AMERICA

VISION

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MISSION

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GIVING YOUNG PEOPLE IN CUBA SAFE SPACES TO PLAY

In addition to regular storms and the damage and destruction they inflict in Cuba, the Cuban people are often faced with economic hardship, high rates of unemployment and social infrastructure which is not fit for purpose.

Camaquito aims to fill the gap left by insufficient infrastructure through projects that directly support the communities of Camagüey, the third biggest city in Cuba.

In addition to its work renovating and maintaining schools, Camaquito also uses sport as a tool to nurture healthy development among children and young people.

One of the key programmes, “Fútbol en Los Barrios” (football in the neighbourhoods), provides access to football training and games by converting unused plots of land into football pitches and training professional coaches within the community.
SAFE SPACES FOR YOUNG PEOPLE LIVING IN VIOLENT COMMUNITIES IN PERU

South of Lima the residents of Villa El Salvador face danger every day: assaults at school or on the street, exploitation of minors and drug trafficking, and domestic violence and sexual assault amongst other issues.

The Centro de Educación y Desarrollo Comunitario (CEDEC) uses football to engage young people and teach them positive values. The organisation provides a safe space where they can learn about respect, honesty, communication and cooperation as pillars of peaceful coexistence.

Sport offers them the opportunity to develop feelings of identity, belonging and security which empowers children as they prepare for and shape the future. Through street football, or “fútbol de la calle”, they can reclaim and pacify public spaces displaying an alternative approach to resolving issues that does not involve police intervention.

A pioneer in Peru, CEDEC was one of the first organisations to promote the use of football3 and at a national level. The organisation is in constant dialogue with local councils to promote creative ways of dealing with violence in communities.
Poverty in Brazil affects all areas of society, yet its effects disproportionately impact young people and their access to equal education and sport.

Since its foundation in 1994, Fundação Esportiva e Educacional Pró Criança e Adolescente (EPROCAD) has used football as a tool to encourage education and contribute to the physical well-being of children and youth in the community. Based in Santana de Parnaíba, São Paulo EPROCAD runs after-school training sessions and initiatives with a football-based educational methodology.

One of these projects, includes “Futbol de Rua”, a project that engages 120 young people over the course of a year in varying activities such as computer science and physical education.

Alongside their work in education, EPROCAD runs the “Comunidade em Movimento” project that uses football to open up dialogue on obesity and health issues in the community.
2019 IMPACT

PEOPLE EMPOWERED

33,053

CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE
DEVELOPED SKILLS IN LEADERSHIP,
SELF-ESTEEM, EMPATHY,
EMOTIONAL MANAGEMENT &
CONFLICT RESOLUTION

PROTECTING YOUNG COLOMBIANS IN
PRECARIOUS LIVING CONDITIONS

Many children and young people in Colombia
are affected by violence at school and in their
communities, precarious living conditions, as well
as forced relocation, sexual exploitation or drug use
and trafficking.

Fundación Colombianitos focuses on these at-risk
children and adolescents, providing them with a
safe place to play football. The organisation uses
football as a tool to protect children from violence,
drug abuse, sexual exploitation, but also to
educate about decision-making, life skills and
conflict resolution.

Colombianitos offer a wide range of activities
besides football like music classes, computer
classes, professional training, and more.

Additionally, the Landmine Awareness Education
programme focuses on highly affected communities
and promotes awareness of the dangers of
landmines in the country.

VISION
To change the future of Colombia by investing
in the support of children living in vulnerable situations.

MISSION
To improve the quality of life of children, young people and their communities through sports, games, recreation, education and health.

13,505
CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE
DEVELOPED SKILLS IN LEADERSHIP,
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FUNDACIÓN
COLOMBIANITOS

ORGANISATIONS IN LATIN AMERICA

108
Ecuadorian young people between the ages of 15 and 29 account for around one quarter of the population, an age group marked by high levels of underemployment and unemployment.

Founded in 2008, La Fundación de las Américas para el Desarrollo (FUDELA) is part of the A GANAR programme in Ecuador. A GANAR offers comprehensive training and technical skills development that improves young people’s chances of finding work and earning a living. The programme is aimed at helping vulnerable young people with no access to higher education or employment and thus preventing situations such as unemployment, violence, drug use and teenage pregnancy.

A GANAR is made up of four main steps: acquiring sports and job-related skills, technical and occupational training, internships, and follow-up and monitoring. It also uses football as a tool for training and motivation, as well as promoting the development of positive values such as teamwork, discipline and effective communication.
Vision: To create a fair and equitable society where people and their communities are able to pursue personal development and become protagonists of their own lives.

Mission: To promote and accompany processes of personal and community development, generating the necessary conditions for people living in situations of social vulnerability to continue carrying out their life projects.

2019 Impact

362 People Empowered
90% of participants improved behaviour patterns regarding communication, concern for others & responsibility

Most Addressed Sustainable Development Goals:

Strengthening the Social Fabric of Chile’s Forgotten Towns

Strengthening the social fabric of peri-urban cities in Chile is a critical task: isolated and vulnerable, the inhabitants of these communities have difficulties tackling issues such as violence, a chronic lack of communal spaces and social exclusion.

Fundación Educere enables these communities to take control and achieve the changes they want to see. One of the organisation’s pillars is the “Corporación de Deportes Tres Tiempos” which organises weekly sessions and inter-neighbourhood and inter-regional festivals and tournaments of street football or “fútbol callejero”.

It is through such programmes, the football3 method is used to foster dialogue among young players from different backgrounds and find solutions to the most pressing issues in the community, particularly those surrounding gender-based violence.

Educere has managed to implement its programmes in six regions of Chile with support from five other partner organisations.
VISION  Play to inspire communities to make their dreams come true.

MISSION  To use the game as a tool for community transformation, to promote the abilities of children and young people, inspiring them to be agents of change.

2019 IMPACT

7,717
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FUNDACIÓN TIEMPO DE JUEGO
CREATING YOUNG LEADERS FOR SUSTAINABLE SOCIAL TRANSFORMATION

One out of three Colombians live in poverty while 65% of youth drop out of school. This leads to a high proportion of these young people being recruited by gangs or forced into prostitution.

Fútbol con Corazón (FCC) encourages boys and girls to make better life choices and thereby prevent prostitution, early pregnancies, drug and alcohol use, gang recruitment and other pressing social issues. It envisions a world of empowered young leaders making appropriate life decisions that can uplift their communities and create sustainable social transformation.

The organisation uses football-based pedagogical activities to give children and young people a chance to develop positive values and skills such as: teamwork, self-esteem and perseverance.

Fútbol con Corazón has developed a growth strategy with three approaches: direct operation, franchising and consulting. These approaches have created FCC’s business units, which are responsible for expanding its impact through a sustainable strategy.

VISION A world in which every child and young person makes good decisions concerning their lives, no matter the conditions of their surroundings.

MISSION The social-emotional education of children and young people through football who will, in the near future, build a world of good choices.

2019 IMPACT

52,000 PEOPLE EMPOWERED

89% OF PARTICIPANTS NOW UNDERSTAND THE VALUES OF RESPECT, SOLIDARITY, TOLERANCE & HONESTY

FÚTBOL CON CORAZÓN

ORGANISATIONS IN LATIN AMERICA

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In many regions of Latin America children have no access to adequate education in a safe and supportive community. The connection between young people and their community in many places has been all but lost. Without support from the community around them young people are at a disadvantage in many walks of life.

Fútbol Más is an organisation which seeks to promote happiness, resilience and a sense of community in children and adolescents living in areas of social vulnerability. It serves as a protective entity and mitigates the negative impact of ongoing exposure to factors ranging from delinquency and normalised violence to dysfunctional family systems.

The organisation’s goal is to develop resilience in girls, boys, and adolescents while providing them with the tools to help build and create a more positive and healthy community. This goal is based on five key values: joy, responsibility, teamwork, respect, and creativity - values which create the foundation for a healthy community.
Prioritising the Importance of Education for Rio’s Young People

With almost 50% of young people graduating secondary school late due to the lack of quality education and high rates of youth unemployment, opportunities are limited in Rio de Janeiro.

Founded in 2000 by World Cup winner Jorginho, Bola Pra Frente seeks to change this by using sport to engage young people and give them extracurricular help with school work.

The organisation seeks to open doors for children and young people between the ages of 6 and 17 in vulnerable communities in Rio de Janeiro.

Bola Pra Frente believes in transforming simple sports practice not only into entertainment, fun, well-being and quality of life, but above all into human development and social transformation.
11 million Brazilians, or roughly 6% of the population, still live in Favelas - in poor living conditions with limited access to basic amenities and education.

Founded in 2003, Instituto Fazer Acontecer (IFA) - which translates as “make it happen” - aims to provide young people in the state of Bahia with the chance to participate in society and develop their personal skills via sports activities.

IFA uses sports to promote values such as teamwork, discipline, solidarity, respect and social commitment, and to deal with different issues, such as drug abuse, violence, sexuality and the environment. The organisation also promotes equal participation of boys and girls in all activities.
The social issues facing the people Brazil’s north-eastern state of Maranhão are widely acknowledged; ranging from unemployment and limited access to education, teenage pregnancies, and drug abuse.

Founded in 1999, Instituto Formação seeks to combat these issues and believes that having access to safe and inclusive sport is a fundamental right to all.

To this end, the organisation has developed a number of sports centres providing a safe space for young people to play. Through its many projects, the organisation empowers young people, generates debate around public policies aimed at enhancing the social and economic well-being of local communities, and improves child and youth development policies.
STRENGTHENING HUMAN RIGHTS THROUGH THE VALUES OF THE GAME

In Upala de Alajuela, Costa Rica, as in many Central American countries, urban areas remain spaces of social exclusion and marginalisation, leaving communities vulnerable to violence and poverty. Young people face obstacles receiving a quality education, and an overall lack of social infrastructure and awareness of human rights, health & safety and financial sustainability.

Organización Juvenil RECREARTE focuses on training children and young people to become leaders in their communities, encouraging them to create the social change they want to see.

Through sports-related activities, especially football, young leaders train and discover values attached to issues such as justice, equality, human rights, self-organisation, gender equality, and peaceful conflict resolution.

The work RECREARTE does, not only positively affects participants, but also their parents and the whole community.
Petare, a neighbourhood in Caracas, Venezuela, is regarded as one of the largest slums in the world. Over 300,000 inhabitants live in extreme poverty, suffering from chronic hunger and malnutrition, and have little or no access to quality education and employment. As a result, many are forced into a life of crime.

Pasión Petare aims to engage at-risk young people in the community and provide them with pathways to an alternative way of life using football. Participants play in leagues set up by Pasión Petare, at their schools and attend summer camps. In addition, the organisation also provides training programmes for adolescents, teaching them the skills to pursue new job opportunities and education, while empowering them to become leaders in their community.

The organisation is proud to provide participants engaging in activities with at least one meal per day.
“Proyecto Cantera Juntos por México A.C.,” was founded in 2008 and is working in the metropolitan area of Mexico City. From the beginning, its work has been focused on using football in order to support children and young people living in disadvantaged communities.

Proyecto Cantera cooperates with institutions such as community centres and other civil-society organisations that work with disadvantaged children and young people.

Currently Proyecto Cantera cooperates with 12 such institutions with the mission to promote life skills and healthy habits in underprivileged communities in Mexico.

All of Proyecto Cantera’s football sessions are focused on the values of respect, honesty and team-work. The short- and medium-term goal is to support participants in recognising and developing social skills and in making use of them on the pitch and in their daily life. The long-term goal is to form citizens that contribute to an equal and inclusive society.
2019 IMPACT

PEOPLE EMPOWERED

4,330

95%

OF THE PARTICIPANTS SUCCESSFULLY GRADUATED SCHOOL TERM

FACILITATING INTEGRATION FOR INDIGENOUS COMMUNITIES

Many of Costa Rica’s indigenous communities struggle for the legal recognition of their rights, driving a wedge between them and their neighbours in surrounding districts. Although they strive to keep their cultural identity and language alive, they also seek to integrate modern advancements into their communities.

Servicios de Educación y Promoción Juvenil (SEPROJOVEN) uses football as an educational tool to promote the personal development of Costa Rica’s youth, while supporting the inclusion of indigenous people and migrants.

Projects like the Copa de Fútbol Comunitaria Indigena and programmes in the border region to Nicaragua facilitate the inclusion of indigenous people and migrants into the communities.
With an estimated 500,000 blind people in Brazil, the well-being of the visually impaired is an important topic in the country. Founded in 2005, Urece has developed sports training programmes, workshops and special projects for people with visual impairment.

Urece helps the visually impaired realise their full potential despite their disability, and contribute to their inclusion and autonomy in society.

Urece’s football programmes not only assist in the development of the player’s mobility and sense of direction, reducing the risk of accidents, but also fight prejudice and discrimination by running awareness raising workshops.

Currently operating in four Paralympic disciplines (Football, Goalball, Athletics, Swimming), Urece has supported 17 medal winners over the past 12 years, and assisted in a project to provide audio narratives for the visually impaired during the 2014 FIFA World Cup in Brazil.
Since the Arab-Israeli War of 1967, and more recently due to the Syrian conflicts, countless people have been forced to flee their homes, with large numbers arriving in Lebanon. The refugee communities often experience trauma and poverty as a result of the limited resources available to the host countries.

For the last 50 years the non-profit organisation American Near East Refugee Aid (Anera) has been working together with local institutions to improve the day-to-day lives of refugees. The organisation’s work involves teaching job skills, developing infrastructure across the region and rebuilding sports centres. Anera seeks to use sport as a way of boosting refugees’ sense of well-being and promoting positive values and healthier life choices.

Participants say the football games also provide an outlet for stress, anger as well as some much-needed recreation and distraction.
The city of Ramalla, in the Central West Bank of Palestine, is a region stricken with constant political turmoil and violence that has persisted for years, leading to unequal opportunities and financial insecurity that disproportionately affect women and young people. Palestine: Sports for Life (PS4L) established its Football for Life programme in 2011 to empower children, young people and women in marginalised communities throughout Palestine.

From economic development skills, to health and disaster response training, PS4L has certified coaches who provide life skill lessons in addition to football training. It provides a safe space that has enabled participants to feel comfortable and empowered, allowing them to tackle serious social topics such as social inclusiveness, gender equality and maintaining healthy lifestyles.

PS4L supports beneficiaries in the region through its bi-weekly programmes in four different communities. Additionally, in cooperation with GIZ, the German international development agency, PS4L has implemented a Training-of-Trainers (TOT) programme ensuring their success as sport-for-change coaches.
EMPOWERING VULNERABLE REFUGEE WOMEN AND CHILDREN IN JORDAN

Many refugee women and children in Jordan are currently facing disproportionate restrictions in comparison to their male counterparts. A large number of women are barred from the workforce, pressured into marriage, and cannot leave their camps. As a result, women are twice as likely as men to suffer health complications from a lack of exercise. There are also psychological issues that are largely untreated: more than half of refugee children suffer from post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD).

Reclaim Childhood was founded to empower vulnerable refugee women and other vulnerable girls and women in Jordan through sport and play. The organisation provides after-school programming for girls twice a week, runs a summer camp for girls aged 8-18, and organises a teen leadership programme, where girls receive mentorship on topics ranging from leadership, to nutrition, and conflict resolution.

Additionally, Reclaim Childhood provides safe spaces for host Jordanians to interact with refugees and foster cross-cultural dialogue.
Every day, children are killed or severely injured by landmines, or weapons left from present and past conflicts. Landmine remnants and unexploded ordnances cause injury and death for years after conflicts have been ended. Civilians living in less affluent regions are particularly at risk, as these areas are often left untouched after conflicts.

Spirit of Soccer uses the power of football to unify communities and educate young people on the dangers of these weapons.

Young people are given interactive lessons on the present dangers in high-risk regions to better prepare and educate the community on how to identify and proceed, when they discover these explosive remnants of war.
The city of Jaffa, on the coast of Israel, is a region filled with violence and political turmoil. The Peres Center focuses on promoting peace education and providing the framework for young people to create a positive perception change among Arab and Jewish, Israeli and Palestinian boys and girls by fostering values of peace and shared-living, and changing attitudes toward the ‘other,’ while defusing stereotypes.

These peacebuilding activities bring together Israeli and Palestinian children, youth leaders, professionals, and decision-makers from all over the Middle East on a weekly basis. The activities use common interests to forge lasting partnerships among people from different backgrounds and, in doing so, serve to break down barriers, open dialogues, and form friendships. Football is an effective tool used to create prominent and long-lasting relationships. The use of sport creates everlasting bonds through working together, overcoming challenges but also celebrating triumphs.

Founded in 1996 by the Ninth President of Israel and Nobel Peace Prize Laureate, Shimon Peres, The Peres Center is dedicated to advancing his vision of a prosperous Israel within a peaceful Middle East.

MISSION
Developing and implementing unique, cutting-edge programmes serving participants of all ages, religions, genders and cultural backgrounds with a focus on economic opportunity and inclusivity, community healthcare, environmental sustainability, cultivating youth leadership and peace.

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2019 IMPACT

510 PEOPLE EMPOWERED

92% OF YOUNG LEADERS SAID PROGRAMME STRENGTHENED BELIEF IN THEIR OWN ABILITIES TO CONTRIBUTE TO PEACEBUILDING.
EMPOWERING YOUTH LIVING BELOW THE POVERTY LINE IN NORTH AMERICA

More than 43 million people experience poverty in the United States of America today, many of whom are young people living in urban communities.

Founded in 1994, America SCORES works with a large cohort of students who live below the poverty line, in urban communities throughout the US and Canada. The organisation aims to inspire urban youth to lead healthy lives, become engaged students, and have the confidence and character to make a difference in the world.

America SCORES partners with public schools to empower young people in urban communities using football, writing, creative expression, and service learning. Through the curriculum, these students improve academically, increase their fitness, and experience a greater sense of confidence and belonging.

These young people not only become empowered themselves, but go on to become leaders in their communities.
In British Columbia, Canada, one in five children lives below the poverty line. The literacy rate is also low and children are becoming increasingly inactive which has led to health problems. These issues, combined with a lack of communal recreational activities, often prevent children from reaching their full potential.

Canada SCORES Vancouver (CSV) works together with schools in Vancouver and the wider area to provide children with high-quality football, literacy and community engagement programmes. The organisation’s programmes use football to promote values like teamwork and sportsmanship, and foster healthier lifestyles. Participants also take part in creative writing and language classes, and through mentoring from their coaches, develop and implement a community service of their very own.

CSV participants experience better self-esteem and demonstrate increased language proficiency and commitment to their communities.
Childhood obesity is a severe problem throughout the United States, putting high numbers of children at risk. City in the Community Foundation (CITC) was founded in 2004 to encourage disadvantaged, young US Americans to embrace active lifestyles, while at the same time help integrate individuals from different socio-economic backgrounds.

Through a football-themed educational programme on nutrition called "The Healthy Hat-Trick", children learn to make healthier decisions in their lives and take part in more regular physical activity. Alongside its work to tackle childhood obesity, CITC also works towards creating safe spaces for children to access academic support, mentoring and football coaching.

Supported by New York City FC, the organisation hosts regular physical education sessions as well as community leagues and festivals where coaches engage with children. CITC is dedicated to physically building free spaces throughout New York City to play football, stay healthy and build self-confidence.
VISION A future when all governments, corporations, foundations, schools, and communities have the skills to use sport as a social impact tool and make the choice to do so.

MISSION We ensure human rights by empowering communities with the knowledge and skills to create their own future.

2019 IMPACT

5,000 PEOPLE EMPOWERED

98% OF PARTICIPANTS IN CAC TRAINING FEEL EQUIPPED TO USE PURPOSEFUL PLAY METHOD TO ADDRESS GLOBAL GOAL 4

SUSTAINABLE EDUCATION OUTSIDE THE CLASSROOM AND ON THE PITCH

Today, organisations all around the world are seeking help and advice to improve and add to the ways they engage the communities they work in.

Coaches Across Continents is a global NGO which provides year-round consultancy resources to organisations from 95 countries.

The resources provided help the initiatives to develop, design and implement sustainable education sessions outside the classroom that utilise sport for social impact.

Using a specially designed football curriculum, Coaches across Continents works with governments, corporations, foundations, and community-based organisations to design, develop, and implement its Education Outside the Classroom programming and create lasting social change based on the UN Sustainable Development Goals.

Winner of the Global Impact Beyond Sport award in 2018, the organisation works in over 60 countries across six continents.
Language barriers and a lack of formal education are just a few of the challenges that refugee children face in the United States. Upon arrival in the US, these vulnerable children are placed in already overburdened classrooms within a public school system that is unable to address their educational needs.

Fugees Family is an organisation dedicated to working with child survivors of war. The organisation gives refugee children the opportunity to rebuild and integrate through equal opportunity to access educational resources. Football serves as the motivation, as well as an integration tool - playing on a team. Speaking the same language, the players discover their commonalities instead of focusing on their differences.

The Fugees Family provides children from all over the world with a reliable support structure that many of them can’t find at home because their families are also struggling to adapt to a new country, language and culture.
Haiti struggles with poverty, high rates of unemployment and natural disasters that have left destruction and devastation in their wake. In addition, many villages throughout Haiti have no schools, no paved roads, electricity, or water. Only 52.9% of adults in Haiti are literate and only 72% of children attend school.

GOALS Haiti is a grassroots organisation with the mission of advancing youth leadership through football and education to create stronger, healthier communities in rural Haiti.

When a child joins the GOALS programme, they attend classes to improve their literacy skills, have access to clean drinking water, receive a meal after each programme and participate in community projects: tree nursery, recycling, volunteerism - each of which lead to them becoming leaders in their communities.

VISION A future in which every child in rural Haiti can realise their potential and follow their dreams.

MISSION To advance youth leadership through football and education to create stronger, healthier communities in rural Haiti.

2019 IMPACT

1,000 PEOPLE EMPOWERED

98% OF PARTICIPANTS CITED INCREASED SELF-CONFIDENCE & THE ABILITY TO MAKE HEALTHY LIFE CHOICES.

MOST Addressed Sustainable Development Goals:

STONGER AND HEALTHIER COMMUNITIES IN RURAL HAITI

GOALS HAITI
A safe space to play is a luxury that many of us take for granted. In areas where access to such spaces is limited, young people around the world are denied the opportunity to experience the positive impact sport can have on their lives.

love.fútbol recognises the potential of football for personal and community development - which is why the initiative empowers communities to build their own football pitches. The organisation provides guidance, finances, raw materials and mobilises local resources, while putting the ownership of the whole process into the hands of the community to ensure the sustainability of the project.

love.fútbol’s collaboration model enables local organisations to grow in impact and scope driving community development worldwide.
A FOOTBALL FOR ALL: PROMOTING THE POWER OF PLAY

With just a ball and a few friends, anyone and everyone can play, making football one of the most accessible sports in the world. However, there are still large numbers of young children who do not even have a proper football.

One World Play project was founded by Tim Jahnigen after watching news footage of young refugees in Darfur playing using a ball that had been made by tying rubbish together. He decided to create an ultra-durable ball and ‘The One World Futbol’ was born.

In addition to producing footballs, One World Play Project also runs a number of football for good programmes, such as “All Girls can Play” which raises awareness about the disparity of opportunities to play between boys and girls and the discrimination that girls worldwide face every day. Furthermore, the “Play Together” campaign draws attention to the benefits that play provides for refugees displaced from their homes.

VISION A world where people thrive through play.

MISSION To support, enable and expand the transformative power of play in all its forms—anywhere and everywhere.

IMPACT

2 MILLION
ONE WORLD FUTBOLS THAT HAVE IMPACTED AN ESTIMATED 60 MILLION PEOPLE IN MORE THAN 185 COUNTRIES.

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ONE WORLD PLAY PROJECT
All around the world children from lower economic backgrounds face a number of barriers accessing quality education and learning to lead a healthy lifestyle. From financial costs and poor transport links to effective programmes, there are numerous hurdles faced by children and young people.

Working in sub-Saharan Africa and the USA, Play Soccer Nonprofit International (PSNI) supports the health, education, physical and socio-economic development of children and young people in the most underserved communities using a football-based programme.

The curriculum focuses on health, and teaches good hygiene and social life skills through activity-based education.

These skills are then transfered by children and young people, who take what they learn in the programme to their daily lives, practising and sharing their new skills with families and friends.
HELPING UNDERSERVED CHILDREN IN THE USA TO REALISE THEIR POTENTIAL

Inner-city school children in the United States are often faced with obstacles pertaining to financial constraints, language barriers, and a lack of adequate transportation. A large number of inner-city students are often not fluent in English and face communication barriers that deter them from following school classes and receiving an education.

Project G.O.A.L. (Greater Opportunities for Athletes to Learn) provides an after-school programme that uses football to improve academic performance among young people and help them realise their potential.

Training sessions are combined with academic tutoring, as well as health and nutritional information, exposing the children and their families to models of positive healthy lifestyles.
In the United States, high school dropout rates in public schools have been an increasingly difficult problem to address, with lasting negative consequences such as reduced opportunities and financial stability.

Pure Game aims to provide positive mentors who champion the development of a child’s self-esteem and confidence, inspiring them to believe in themselves and the possibilities of a better life. The organisation offers in-school and after-school programming for children, in addition to annual summer camps and special football events.

Through the STAR & SOCCER character education curriculum children learn about positive values and how to apply them to their daily lives. Pure Game primarily reaches elementary and middle school children through its projects, promoting early intervention with vulnerable children.
PRIORITISING EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT IN ST. LUCIA

In St. Lucia, young people lack viable options for work: of the 5,000 or so pupils that leave school each year, less than a quarter find work or end up in college. As a result, many young people in St. Lucia turn to gang-violence and organised crime.

Sacred Sports Foundation (SSF) seeks to assist these young people by providing them with support and opportunities through football. It works to mentor local coaches about the best ways to reach troubled youth and also assists young people on probation. Working with young people between the ages of 6 and 25 in low-income areas, Sacred Sports integrates football training with sessions on communication, conflict management, gender awareness, and health.

SSF has over 2,000 annual beneficiaries, with participation in the programmes successfully influencing academic performance in a number of ways, including better attitudes toward school and higher educational aspirations. The programme creates a positive effect on a range of prevention outcomes, such as avoidance of drug and alcohol use, a decrease in delinquency and violent behaviour, and reduction in juvenile crime.
2019 IMPACT

PEOPLE EMPOWERED

MOST ADDRESSED SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS:

COMBINING FOOTBALL WITH CHARACTER DEVELOPMENT & EMPLOYABILITY SESSIONS

In today’s job market, young people are often faced with high unemployment rates and a lack of support to effectively apply for available jobs. Some obstacles faced are a lack of parental involvement and quality education as well as poor transportation links.

Soccer in the Streets tackles these problems through football, character development, mentoring, and employability sessions in its “Positive Choice Soccer”, “Life Works” and “StationSoccer” programmes.

“Positive Choice Soccer” is geared towards elementary school children building character traits for future employment while fostering interaction between children from different backgrounds. “Life Works” is aimed at teenagers enabling them to pursue economic independence through hands-on learning activities and employment experience. The “StationSoccer” initiative builds football pitches and community classrooms in and around metro transit hubs.

Soccer in the Streets integrates the communities it serves through connecting corporations, education systems, government, non-profits, and community leaders.

VISION  All children will have the opportunity to succeed.

MISSION  Soccer in the Streets empowers young people through football, character development, mentoring, and employability programmes.

5,420 PEOPLE EMPOWERED

1,100 HOURS OF LEADERSHIP TRAINING FOR YOUNG PEOPLE CONDUCTED

SOCCER IN THE STREETS

ORGANISATIONS IN NORTH AMERICA & THE CARIBBEAN

5,420

1,100

5,420

1,100

141

141
The United States is known as a melting pot of cultures that come from all around the globe. However, for some newcomers, the initial integration process can be a challenge. Many of them face issues of language, accessibility, and emotional or mental health support.

Soccer Without Borders uses football as a vehicle for positive social change by providing underserved young people with a toolkit to overcome obstacles to growth, inclusion, and personal success.

All programmes implemented consist of 5 elements: football (soccer) – both play and instruction, education off the field, civic engagement, cultural exchange and team-building activities. Alongside its work in the US, Soccer Without Borders has projects based in Nicaragua and Uganda, where the focus is to strengthen the position of women within society.
The South Bronx is the nation’s poorest congressional district, with a 49 percent child poverty rate. It ranks in the lowest percentile for health and well-being.

Since 2009, South Bronx United (SBU) has worked to address the needs of a diverse immigrant youth population through programming both on and off the football pitch.

SBU’s mission is to help young people build character, teamwork, leadership, and academic skills so that they can succeed in high school and beyond. The organisation works with children between the ages of 4 and 19 through their community football programmes and its SBU Academy programme.

SBU bridges the gap between immigrant service organisations and out-of-school youth development by combining competitive football teams with mandatory academic tutoring, college prep and college access programmes, mentoring, leadership development, counseling, immigration legal services, and other services.
VISION  A Philadelphia region where the playing field is level, and all young people are thriving.

MISSION  Use football (soccer) to inspire social change and transform the lives of underserved young people, one person at a time.

2019 IMPACT

1,082 
PEOPLE EMPOWERED

100% 
OF SENIORS IN HIGH SCHOOL PROGRAMME GRADUATED HIGH SCHOOL & 75% CONTINUED ON TO POST-SECONDARY EDUCATION

MOST ADDRESSED SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS:

LEVELLING THE PLAYING FIELD FOR YOUNG PEOPLE IN PHILADELPHIA

In Philadelphia, nearly 40% of children live under the poverty line, ranking last in the state on every health indicator with nearly a third of young people dropping out of high school without graduating.

Starfinder Foundation combines football with mentoring, education, and leadership development to help young people achieve their full potential. Football is the magnet; success in school, in the community, and in the pursuit of higher education and employment is the goal.

Starfinder serves young people through after-school, weekend, and summer programmes at its football and education facility and at neighbourhood outreach sites. Starfinder targets young people aged 5-18 from low-income neighbourhoods where average household incomes are less than $35,000.

The organisation’s approach to youth engagement is a strengths-based, positive youth development model that encourages “voice and choice”, fosters sustained, meaningful relationships, and builds on the power of play and community.
Street Soccer USA (SSUSA) uses sports as a development tool to connect homeless young people and adults to jobs and education opportunities that help them lead a better life.

SSUSA exists to provide an alternative to the pay-to-play model of youth sports with a focus on social impact across the United States. Its activities are implemented in close partnership with local service providers in each respective city.

Under the theme ‘soccer for social change – ending homelessness through sports’, SSUSA uses a 16-week curriculum and brought eight core life skills to over 6,800 beneficiaries in 16 cities in 2017 alone. By creating a fun, positive and inclusive team structure around regular city leagues, SSUSA provides participants with a family-like support system of trust and reliability that helps them to regain control over their lives.

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**VISION**
To harness the power of football (soccer) to create a level playing field for all.

**MISSION**
To help vulnerable, homeless, and refugee youth, adults, and their families achieve their academic, employment, and leadership potential through programmes, opportunities, social enterprise, and infrastructure solutions.

**2018 IMPACT**

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ACCESS TO OPPORTUNITIES FOR DEPRIVED YOUNG PEOPLE IN THE US AND HAITI

A large majority of young people in the Twin Cities area come from communities of colour and populations who speak numerous, or secondary, languages. Due to an achievement gap many of these young people are often faced with barriers denying them opportunities. In both the Twin Cities and Haiti, young people of colour lack access to high quality activities outside of school time, which are a crucial part of positive youth development and childhood growth and wellness.

The Sanneh Foundation focuses its efforts on the urban and immigrant youth in the Twin Cities area and aims to provide programmes for at-risk children using soccer as a tool to unite communities, improve lives and empower children.

The organisation offers weekly community programming, warm meals, free community camps and academic intervention.
VISION: A future in Chicago that ensures young people, families, schools, and communities equal opportunities to be successful.

MISSION: Through sport use the power of play to empower Chicago's young people in achieving academic success, developing social-emotional skills, and building social capital among participants.

2019 IMPACT

1,575 PEOPLE EMPOWERED

90% OF TEAM CAPTAINS REPORTED IMPROVING THEIR LEADERSHIP SKILLS BY MODELING GOOD BEHAVIOUR FOR THEIR YOUNGER TEAMMATES

MOST ADDRESSED SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS:

ENABLING YOUNG PEOPLE IN CHICAGO TO TACKLE POVERTY AND VIOLENCE

Chicago natives Jim Dower and Dan Isherwood were working as public school teachers in the city’s Cabrini-Green neighbourhood when they witnessed first-hand the hurdles at-risk students must overcome to succeed.

Vulnerable to the effects of poverty and exposure to community violence, as football coaches they founded Urban Initiatives as a response to the lack of extracurricular activities for students. Initially, the programme consisted of a before- and after-school football programme called Work to Play, including two coaches and 12 students. By providing these students with an opportunity to learn, play and ultimately succeed, the programme’s positive impact translated into improved classroom performance.

The school principal quickly recognised the results and the success soon spread across the city, creating further demand for Urban Initiatives programmes.

Today, Urban Initiatives’ four programmes serve students in public schools across Chicago, from 38 diverse communities, providing a safe environment both on and off the pitch through a coach, to educators, and to parents’ support systems.
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