

# 2019

## ANNUAL REPORT



CREATIVE HOPE  
INTERNATIONAL, INC.



## WHY CREATIVITY?

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Human trafficking and exploitation continue to be a threat to individuals and families in communities around the world. Many times exploitation occurs when a family is in desperate need of additional income or searching for better educational opportunities for their children, especially their daughters. However, strong communities can mitigate the risk of this type of exploitation. CHI works to prevent oppression and exploitation by strengthening communities, and to restore hope to those who have survived exploitation,

As artists and believers we are responding to God's call heart for the oppressed through our endeavors that use creativity as a way to stand for justice, cultivate beauty, and restore hope. We believe that when individuals engage in the creative process they not only learn so much about themselves, but also develop strong bonds with each other, whether it is playing music together, dancing, or sharing art that they have created with each other. This contributes to strong and healthy communities where individuals are able to grow and thrive together. We also believe that developing creativity through music and art is not merely a luxury but essential to a holistic experience of life growth. and that by creating, an individual encounters the heart of their Creator and His transforming love. That is why CHI continues to make the creative arts - music, visual art, dance, and other mediums - cornerstones of our endeavors.

## OUR TEAM

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Emily and Eileen O'Neill, along with Rachel Spidell form the central leadership for CHI. Through their diverse experiences in music, ministry, and human trafficking advocacy, along with their love of people from all different backgrounds, they bring many valuable perspectives and knowledge to the organization.

They are supported by a diverse Board of Directors that include music therapy professionals, social justice advocates, community leaders from our Partner Communities, and individuals with hearts to stand for justice, cultivate beauty, and restore hope throughout the world.

# PARTNER COMMUNITIES

In 2019, Creative Hope International continued to develop preventative and restorative endeavors and deepened relationships with our Partner Communities in Cambodia and the Himalayas through Creative Arts Partnerships, Creative Arts Camps, and Community Leadership Conferences.



## INDIA

### Creative Arts Partnership:

- AG School in Darjeeling

### Community Leadership Conferences:

- Community leaders in Darjeeling

## NEPAL

### Creative Arts Partnership:

- School in Dang

### Community Leadership Conferences:

- Community leaders in Dang and Jumla

## CAMBODIA

### Creative Arts Camps:

- Daughters of Cambodia
- Pleroma Home for Girls
- Pleroma Home for Women

### Creative Arts Partnerships:

- Pleroma School For Girls
- Pleroma Community Center

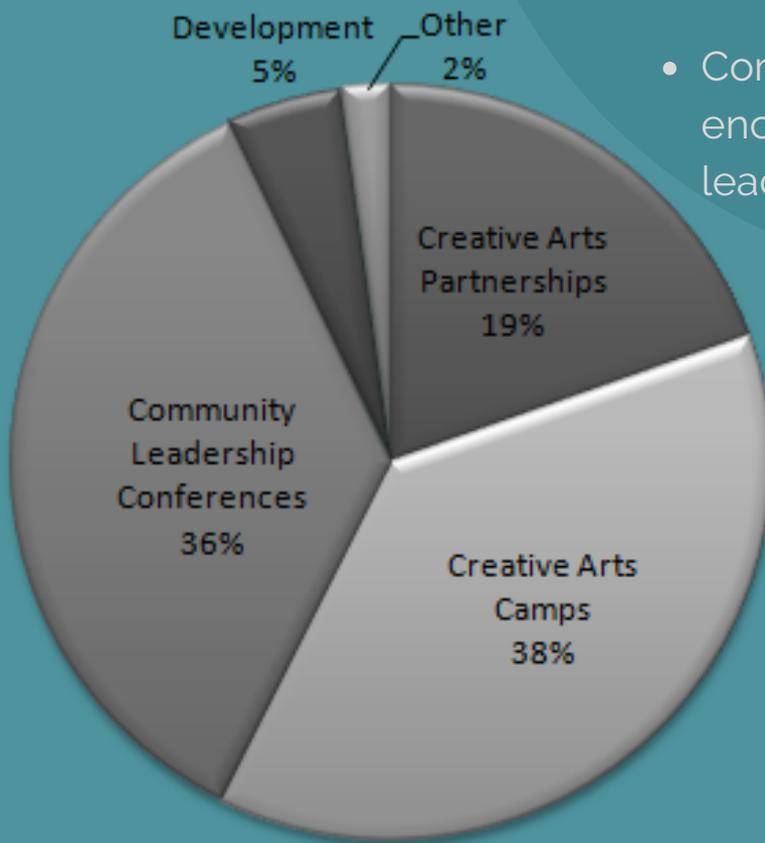
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# FINANCIAL REPORT

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Funds provided by Creative Hope Financial Partners are integral to the success and implementation of our programs.

Thanks to our financial partners, CHI was able to provide:



- Community Leadership Conferences to encourage and equip over 60 community leaders living in rural areas of the Himalayas
- Creative Arts Camps that provide restorative artistic programs for 40 girls and women in Phnom Penh
- Support to music teachers in three of our partner schools
- Music and arts programs from many students and children in our partner schools and communities

As CHI programs continue to grow and expand we are so thankful for those who have committed to come alongside us to stand for justice, cultivate beauty, and restore hope as financial partners. You are providing resources that are changing lives!

Thank you!

# Impact Stories

## AG SCHOOL - DARJEELING

For many years, CHI has partnered with the AG School in Darjeeling to support and grow their music programs. They have two wonderful music teachers in whom we are able to invest by providing additional support and teaching to their students. Eileen spent several weeks with the students last year teaching choir and stringed instruments. All of this culminated with a big concert that was open to the whole community. The students felt a huge sense of accomplishment and the teachers were inspired to continue investing in the lives of young people. The creative momentum at the AG School in Darjeeling is bringing the community together and forging a culture that celebrates beauty, hope, and connectedness.



## NEPALI COMMUNITY LEADERS

Strong communities are an important part of preventing human trafficking and essential to the healing of an individual or community that was harmed through trafficking. This summer, a small team led two short conferences for community leaders in Nepal and India. During the time they were together these leaders learned about the value of a strong marriage and family, and they were encouraged to continue to do the hard work of leading and encouraging other families in their communities. The conference ended with a foot washing ceremony, and so many of these leaders were touched and strengthened by the support of our team. It was a powerful time of spiritual restoration and communal strengthening.



## DAUGHTERS OF CAMBODIA - PHNOM PENH

This year CHI began a new Creative Arts Camp with Daughters of Cambodia, an organization that provides restorative therapy and vocational training to women who are survivors of sex trafficking. A team visited Daughters this summer and led the women in art, song, and dance workshops that explored their identity in God. They also explored ways to process their past and present circumstances through creative means. So many of these women experienced healing, beauty, and hope over the course of the week. The Camp had such an impact on these survivors that CHI was asked to come back for an entire month in 2020.





## NEXT YEAR

After a year of deepening relationships with our Partner Communities, developing new ones, and growing our endeavors we are excited for all the ways that God will use CHI to stand for justice, cultivate beauty, and restore hope in 2020.

We would love for you to be a part of our community!

Visit  
[creativehopeinternational.org](http://creativehopeinternational.org)  
for all the ways you can join us!

## 2020 VISION

### [Creative Arts Partnerships](#)

- Spend a month with each of our partner communities to encourage them, understand them, and to learn how to further develop our partnerships.
- Connect our partner communities with skilled musicians and educators to develop creative educational methods, insights, and resources.
- Visit schools nearby existing partner communities to explore the potential of new partnerships.

### [Creative Arts Camps](#)

- Spend a month with Daughters of Cambodia to pray together and facilitate a Creative Arts Camp, developing simple programs that staff can continue throughout the year.

### [Community Leadership Conferences](#)

- Facilitate three Community Leadership Conferences with our Himalayan partners in early summer.
- Extend conference invitations to areas nearby existing Partner Communities to benefit more people.

### [Our Community](#)

- Engage artists, educators, and believers from our international community to join us.
- Engage our local community to support our efforts through prayer and financial partnerships.