



Sponsorship Program

Empowering young women who have survived abuse to rediscover and celebrate their personal beauty, develop their self-sufficiency, and become leaders within their own communities.

THE EMERGE BEAD PROGRAM



The Emerge Bead Program enables Sri Lankan girls who have survived abuse and sexual violence to become jewelry designers through a curriculum that emphasizes self-esteem, leadership, and business knowledge, while generating savings for their futures. Design and entrepreneurship are combined to develop confidence, teach life skills, and strengthen their community's capacity to effect change.

Bead Program Objectives:

- 1) **Teach** girls to make jewelry and express themselves creatively
- 2) **Engage** a community of support locally and globally
- 3) **Develop** each girl's leadership, responsibility, and self-respect
- 4) **Generate** a financial foundation for each girl's future
- 5) **Inspire** entrepreneurship and self-reliance
- 6) **Empower** girls to actively shape their communities

THE SPONSORSHIP PROGRAM

The Emerge Sponsorship Program matches sponsors to a girl in the Emerge Bead Program and provides the approximate cost of running the program for one participant, as well as a birthday and holiday gift. Throughout the year, Emerge Global photographs each girl's jewelry for her own portfolio. At the end of the year, sponsors receive images of the girl's favorite pieces. This will enable the sponsor to watch as the girl's artistic style develops. If the sponsored girl exits the program before the end of the year, sponsors will be matched with a new girl entering the program at that point for the remainder of the year. The sponsor will then receive a packet showcasing all sponsored artists' work. To protect each participant's confidentiality, especially given the fact that many are testifying in highly-sensitive court cases, we cannot provide names or photos of sponsored artists. Both they and we are excited, however, to include you in their growth through the program by sharing their work and ideas.





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BECOME A PART OF OUR IMPACT

"I like making jewelry because it frees my mind."

-Program participant, age 15

To date, the Emerge Bead Program has worked with over 100 girls, coming from all parts of Sri Lanka. The Program has given a voice to girls who have been silent, provided an individual set of communication and financial skills that will support these girls in their future communities, and planted seeds of self-respect and human worth in our participants and those who support our Program. Through life skills workshops, girls have learned about their health, potential occupations, transitioning into society, and a variety of other topics that the girls help select. In 2008, through the creation of unique jewelry, some girls made as much as \$660, all of which is held in secure individual savings accounts and made available to them at the age of 18, when they are no longer supported by the shelter in which they currently live. In 2009, some girls made more than \$1,800.

SPONSOR'S RESPONSIBILITIES

- Provide \$250 for the year, the approximate cost of maintaining the program for one participant
- Provide a picture of you or your family to give to the girl (optional though very exciting to the girls)
- Complete the Sponsorship Agreement form on page 3

INTERESTED IN SPONSORING?

For questions about our Sponsorship Program, please email our Sponsorship Coordinator at sponsorship@emergeglobal.org. Sponsorship contributions may be made by made through our website or by check and mailed to our Boston address:

Emerge Global
515 Beacon Street
Boston, MA 02215

Please make checks payable to "Emerge Global" with "Sponsorship" in the memo and include the Sponsorship Agreement with you gift. All contributions are tax-deductible.



Sponsorship Agreement

Name: _____ Email: _____

Street Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Updates about the Program and your sponsored artist will be sent according to the details listed above unless you notify us otherwise.

Number of girls I would like to sponsor: _____

- I am enclosing \$250 per girl I am sponsoring with this form
- I am OK with my name being listed on Emerge Global's website as a sponsor
- I would prefer that my name NOT be listed on Emerge Global's website

I, _____, understand that it costs Emerge Global approximately \$250 per year per program participant and that my contribution through the Emerge Sponsorship Program will go towards the costs of the Emerge Bead Program.

Signature

Date

Please make checks payable to "Emerge Global" with "Sponsorship" in the memo and mail the check along with this form to **Emerge Global, 515 Beacon Street, Boston, MA 02215**. Alternatively, if you donate through our website, please specify your donation as "Sponsorship" and email this form to sponsorship@emergeglobal.org

On behalf of all of the girls in the Emerge Bead Program, thank you!