



10 Images from 2012

Emerge Global: A Year in Review

“I think what Emerge does is magical and inspirational. It gives these young girls a second chance, not only to dream, but to make their dreams a reality through concrete means of empowerment, self-sufficiency, education and support.”

--Stephanie Siriwardhana, Miss Sri Lanka 2011-2012

Photos by Paulina Muratore and the Emerge Team

In 2012, we...



Welcomed new girls into our community as we expanded our programs into a government-run home in Ranmuthugala.



Rejoiced as we watched our two alumnae staff in action.



Formalized our Mentorship Program curriculum to include units on personal values, body image, healthy relationships, communication skills, goal setting and more.



Were inspired by a team of committed volunteer mentors who developed an education program to enable girls to complete their O-levels (equivalent to the GED).



Launched our first summer internship program, with interns helping with public relations, fundraising, reintegration, mental health, Beads-to-Business, and business development.



Placed our jewelry in six stores in Sri Lanka as part of our new emphasis on local sales.



Were impressed by our participants who generated more than \$30,000 in savings... and counting.



Increased awareness of our cause and work through endorsements by Miss Sri Lanka and the US Ambassador.



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EXERCISE PROGRAM
WERE ACCESSIBLE
AFFORDABLE AND
AS INTERESTING
INNER CITY YOUNG
FRESH VEGETABLES
THROUGH GARDEN
I WORKED WITH
LOCAL GOVERNMENT
ON FOOD PROGRAM
RECOMMENDATIONS
SIMILAR TO EMERGENCY
TOOK A RESILIENCE
BASED APPROACH
FOCUS ON
SUSTAINABILITY
PREMIER INDICATORS
OUR SUCCESS

"IN THE LONG TERM, CHANGE ISN'T JUST GOING TO COME FROM ME, EMERGE LANKA, OR ANY FOREIGN BODY, IT'S GOING TO COME FROM THE SURVIVORS WHO HAVE BEEN TRANSFORMED BY THESE AMAZING PROGRAMMES. THEY ARE LIVING PROOF THAT EVERY GIRL IN A SHELTER TODAY, SILENTLY WAITING FOR THE VERDICT OF A COURT CASE, HAS HOPE,"



Generated more buzz than ever before by being featured regularly in Sri Lankan newspapers and as the cover story in Sri Lanka's biggest popular culture and society magazine.



And, most importantly, supported 118 girls in healing from past trauma, developing their self-sufficiency, becoming leaders, and achieving their dreams.



Thank you for enabling the girls we work with to dream big and to make their dreams a reality.
And thank you for helping us make our dreams for Emerge a reality too.



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