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Protecting and empowering children since 1989

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 **Butterflies**

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From the Director

Dear Friends,

This report chronicles Butterflies' journey in 2023-24. But first I want to thank you most sincerely for your incredible generosity in supporting Butterflies over the past 35 years. Your support enables us to continue our work with the most vulnerable children and communities living on the streets and the slums of Delhi, and the out of school children in Uttarakhand a programme implemented in partnership with the Directorate of SSA, Uttarakhand State Government, to build sustainable futures for entire communities.

Your generosity has made a great impact on the lives of over 3,000 children during the year 2023-24. As I reflect on the remarkable journeys of children like Abdul, who's CDK savings helped his family in an emergency, and Arush, who could continue his studies, I am reminded of the extraordinary





influence of your support. With you as our supporter, we can achieve our vision of a world where every child is loved and protected, survives and thrives.

Children do not choose the circumstances into which they are born and those of us who are blessed to be born into privileged lives have an obligation to redress this imbalance. Addressing the struggles and challenges faced by the thousands of street children in Delhi may seem overwhelming to many of us. But we can find and craft solutions through fresh thinking and alliances that bring together the necessary capital and skills. We are grateful to our alliance members of DCRC and NAGN that help every child reach their potential. With their support, we were able to share knowledge and multiply our efforts to reach out to children and offer them hope and a promise of a brighter future.

Every child in the world is entitled to the love, care and protection that a family can provide. However, children cannot reach their full potential until all levels of society, from the immediate family to the broader international community, work together. The family is a child's first line of protection and having no parental protection can expose vulnerable children to all forms of mistreatment and abuse. As a member of Family for Every Child, a global alliance of 47 local CSOs from 38 countries, we are raising this issue globally.

This year, we aim to continue our mission of empowering children with the skills and opportunity to learn, grow, and dream. I want to express my utmost gratitude for your commitment to us and our children. Having you by our side is a privilege, and we are deeply thankful for the trust and support you continue to place in us. Together, we can write a hopeful and promising future for our nation's children.

We sincerely thank and acknowledge the Ministry of Women and Child Development, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Ministry of Education, Government of India, Government of Delhi, and the Directorate of SSA, Uttarakhand State Government for their ongoing support. We hope you continue to support our work and mission of protecting & empowering every child and look forward to working and engaging with you, again in 2024-25 when we will celebrate **35 years of Butterflies**.

Yours sincerely,
Rita Panicker
Founder Director

Introduction

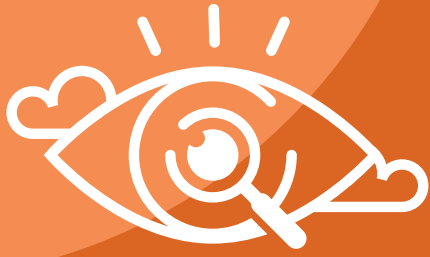
Butterflies is a registered charitable organization dedicated to supporting the most vulnerable groups of children, particularly street-connected, since its inception in 1989. Employing a rights-based, non-institutional approach, Butterflies focuses on providing education and life skills to these children to foster self-reliance and disrupt the inter-generational cycle of illiteracy and poverty that affects generations. Additionally, the organization encompasses a research, advocacy, and training portfolio to enhance understanding of social issues. This wing also captures insights from its initiatives, through action research, process documentation to help the organisation to evaluate their programmes, on what is working well, what are the challenges and what needs to be done differently. We share our learnings with local civil society organisations, government agencies, academic institutions for further deliberations.



Butterflies is a member contributing member of Family for Every Child (FFEC), a global alliance of 47 local civil society organisations from 38 countries. FFEC is united in their mission to enhance the lives of vulnerable children and families globally. Additionally, Butterflies serves as the Secretariat for the India Alternate Care Network (IACN), a collaborative network of practitioners, national agencies, and academics, with the support of UNICEF India.

Butterflies is committed to innovating and refining strategies and approaches for engaging with children to safeguard their rights. Through its Children's Cooperatives initiatives, namely the Children's Development Khazana and the Child Health & Sports Cooperative, and Cooperative Learning, Butterflies has imparted its insights and technical expertise to local grassroots organizations. These organizations are active in eight South and Central Asia and Africa countries, including Afghanistan, India, Nepal, Sri Lanka, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, Madagascar, and Ghana. Within India, the Children's Cooperatives Programme has established a robust presence in grassroots organizations across seven locales in seven states and one Union Territory, namely Uttarakhand, Kerala, Delhi, Bihar, Jharkhand, Odisha, Rajasthan, and Maharashtra.





Our Vision

A world where every child is loved and respected regardless of race, ethnicity, religion, caste or disability. Is fed, clothed, and housed within a caring family environment. Has free access to quality education and training in line with her or his abilities and interest. Has free access to quality health care. Has free access to right to play and leisure. Has a voice and can speak out without fear of the consequences. Is free from exploitation and abuse and from direct or indirect effects of armed conflict or communal violence. A world where every child is free to be a child and live in dignity and has a hope for future. Butterflies addresses the challenge of making the Constitution of India, laws of the land and UNCRC a reality, particularly for those children who are most vulnerable, neglected, abused and exploited. Butterflies is committed within its mandate to work towards solidarity among voluntary organizations, with the government and all Civil Society Organizations for addressing the concerns of all children.



Our Mission

Butterflies will continue to work with the most vulnerable groups of children. To ensure that such children have the opportunities to reach their full potential, whatever that might be. To give children a voice and tools to raise issues which have a bearing on their lives and to facilitate the changes that will enable them to become valued and productive citizens. To encourage children to have confidence and motivation and means to make the world a better place for themselves and for their children. To work in partnership with the government and promote policies, laws and programmes which affect children. To work in partnership with practitioners and key stakeholders to raise awareness of problems which affect marginalized children everywhere. To use the Constitution of India, laws of the land and UNCRC to advocate for children's rights.





At a Glance

- ✓ 1650 children are in direct intervention in Delhi and Uttarakhand
- ✓ 442 calls received and 332 children provided emergency assistance through Butterflies CHILDLINE from April 2023 to July 2023
- ✓ 115 child leaders elected and trained in CDK and CHSC
- ✓ 128 parents participated on a session on parenting skills and sexuality education
- ✓ 601 medical cases were addressed by Child Health Educators
- ✓ Children Cooperatives initiated in Udham Singh Nagar District of Uttarakhand
- ✓ An International Conference on Mental Health was organised from 9th to 11th May 2023, attended by delegates from Asia, Africa and the Caribbean
- ✓ A new programme on prevention of adolescents from risk behaviour was initiated this year



¹CHILDLINE was handed over to State Governments as per the directives issued by Ministry of Women and Child, Government of India

Street Education Programme

Butterflies, through its distinctive non-institutional approach, strives to empower street and working children across various settings within Delhi. *Operating primarily in places such as bus terminals, railway stations, markets, and parks where these children reside and work*, Butterflies maintains a presence at 10 key locations in Delhi: Chandni Chowk, Dayal Singh Camp, Hathi Park, Kashmiri Gate, INA Market, Sadar Bazar, Jama Masjid, Nizamuddin Dargah, Okhla Mandi, Viklang Basti. The organization engages with over 700 children daily. Butterflies' Street Programme employs a team of qualified educators, known as Education Programme Officers, stationed at these contact points during the day.







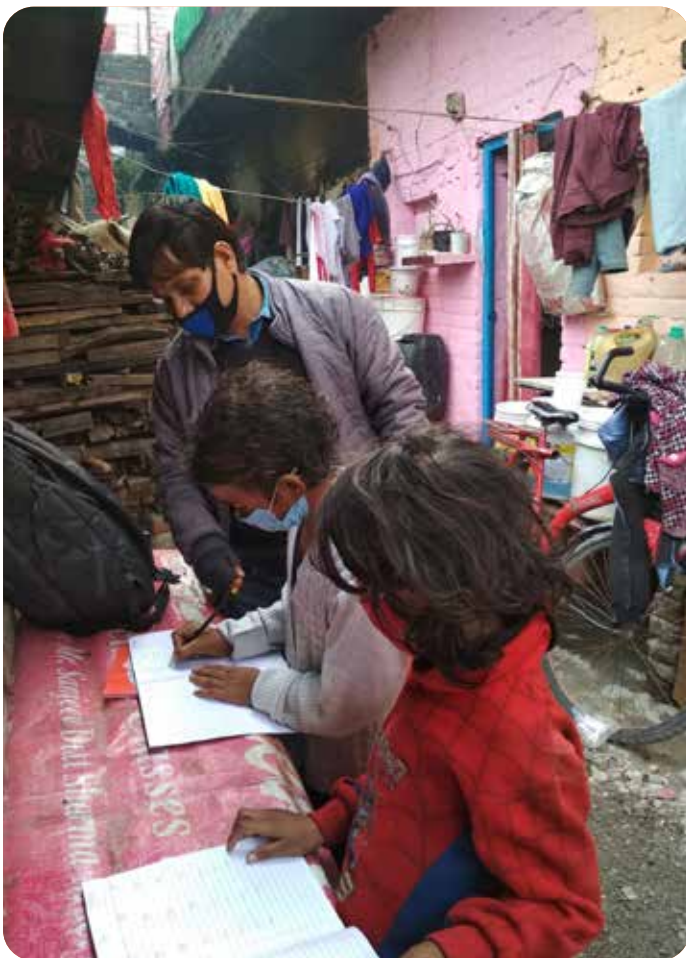
Year in Review

- ✓ 783 children are part of the programme in Delhi
- ✓ 231 children are in Primary grades
- ✓ 217 children reached Upper Primary grades
- ✓ 219 children in Secondary and Senior Secondary grades
- ✓ 116 children are in 12th grade or pursuing higher/professional education
- ✓ 29 students have progressed to higher education programs, significantly advancing their educational trajectories
- ✓ 178 home visits were conducted by the team to strengthen connections with the families
- ✓ 63 community meetings were organised to discuss vital topics such as education, health, and well-being of children
- ✓ 42 school visits were undertaken to assist students and parents with new enrolments and re-enrolments in the formal education system (government schools)
- ✓ 6 School Management Committees now include Butterflies' staff and parents of the children, enhancing mutual understanding between parents and school management regarding the needs of first-generation learners. This collaboration has fostered more inclusive classroom environments and improved student retention rates.
- ✓ 71 Small Bal Sabhas and 7 Big Bal Sabhas were organised in this year where children highlighted issues such as Bullying & Misbehaviour faced at school, Safety issues in the community along with Water and Sanitation Problems prevalent in their society
- ✓ 2 new locations in Delhi -Dayal Singh Camp & Viklang Basti- were added to the programme
- ✓ Students in senior grades are helping junior grades students in their lessons and during admission time
- ✓ The first, second and consolation prizes (Rs.15000/10000/500) were won by children of Butterflies in the painting competition organised by the Housing & Urban Development Corporation of India (HUDCO), Government of India.
- ✓ Story reading and writing day, followed by newspaper reading in a circle, finding words/discussion on news has been initiated at all contact points
- ✓ Libraries were renovated up with new books, along with the election of library managers by children.

Intervention in Uttarakhand

The Government of Uttarakhand, Education Department's Samagrah Shiksha Abhiyan program in partnership with Butterflies focuses on identifying and supporting out-of-school children to enrol in schools. The aim of the program is to prepare them to achieve age-appropriate learning levels, so that the children can be admitted to the appropriate grade in the school. The government has provided multipurpose mobile schools equipped with teaching and learning materials, staffed by Butterflies dedicated educators who engage with out-of-school children in urban areas of Dehradun, Haridwar, and Udham Singh Nagar.

The intervention specifically targets children from migrant families, those who have dropped out of school or have never been enrolled. These children receive learning support for one year at Non-Residential Special Training Centers (NRSTCs) in these districts, after which they are mainstreamed into formal schools at age-appropriate levels. The program significantly contributes to achieving the objectives of the Right to Education in the state of Uttarakhand. Beyond academic education, children also acquire crucial life skills through activities such as Bal Sabhas, health sessions, and creative pursuits like arts, crafts, poetry writing, and daily newspaper reading. The mobile schools are well equipped with laptops, libraries, and play materials to create an enriching learning environment. We maintain regular communication with parents by organizing meetings, during which we share the progress of their children and provide information about various government schemes and programs available to support children and families and help them to access the same.





Year in Review

- ✓ 804 children (389 Boys & 415 Girls) were in our education program this year
- ✓ 874 children (486 Boys & 388 Girls) mainstreamed in the formal school education system last year
- ✓ 119 children (59 Boys & 60 Girls) mainstreamed in upper primary classes
- ✓ 745 children (417 Boys & 328 Girls) mainstreamed in primary classes



Children Cooperatives in Uttarakhand

Children's Cooperatives are operational in the districts of Haridwar and Dehradun and this year, were extended to six more contact points in Uddham Singh Nagar District bringing the total number of cooperatives in Uttarakhand to 14.

Year in Review

- ✓ 713 children (315 boys and 398 girls) were part of the cooperatives (CHSC & CDK)
- ✓ 151 children were added to the cooperatives this year
- ✓ 63 General Body Meetings were organised by children
- ✓ 63 monthly CDK sessions were conducted on topics related to financial planning
- ✓ 140 child leaders were elected and trained this year in Child Health and Sports Cooperative and Children's Development Khazana
- ✓ 76 children from the newly formed branches participated in a two-day training program on the principles of Cooperatives and its role in their lives
- ✓ The total deposit stood at 85,840 INR in this financial year. It recorded a 20,274 INR increment from the previous financial year
- ✓ 11 Advances were provided to children
- ✓ Monthly Session of CDK on financial planning has started yielding results. Children are demonstrating behaviour changes in their spending pattern and making informed choices by saving money in their CDK account.
- ✓ The Life Skills session of CHSC & CDK has led to increased interaction of children with their child leaders, peers and staff about their money, resulting in developing communication skills and enhanced analytical skills.



Children's Development Khazana (CDK)

Introduction

Children's Development Khazana was conceived and established by Butterflies in 2001 with the objective of inculcating behavioural change of prioritising needs over wants among street connected children so that they can make efforts to push themselves out of generational poverty cycle. It is a life skills programme teaching prioritising needs, savings, budgeting and financial management.



Major Activities of CDK

- ✓ 810 children (467 boys and 343 girls) are members of CDK in Delhi, an **increase of 190 children**
- ✓ 87 child leaders (45 boys and 42 girls) were elected in CDK in this period
- ✓ 67 child leaders (27 boys and 30 girls) were trained in basic book keeping procedures
- ✓ 60 General Body Meetings (GBMs) were organised by children in this period.
- ✓ **60 sessions** were conducted at different contact points on topics related to financial planning such as Spending, Financial fitness, Importance of GBM and Exploring Entrepreneurship through comic strips
- ✓ Total savings in CDK this year rose to **Rs. 7,30,868 , an increase of Rs.1,09,829.**
- ✓ Total Advances given in this period was **64,200 INR, for the purpose of family support, education support and medical support.**
- ✓ A four-day Cooperative Workshop was conducted in the Month of June 2023 at Vishwa Yuvak Kendra, New Delhi. The objective of the workshop was to re-orient children about various concepts and procedures of the Children's Development Khazana.



From Absence to Attendance: *Aarush's Journey with CDK*

Aarush, a 10-year-old resident of Rajivnagar in Dehradun, lived in an unrecognized slum with his family. His parents, originally from Pilibhit, Uttar Pradesh, moved to Dehradun seeking employment. His father, a 30-year-old painter, and his mother, a 26-year-old domestic helper, struggled to make ends meet.

In 2022, during the annual joint survey of out of school children by Samagra Shiksha Abhiyan programme of the Department of Education, Uttarakhand State Government and Butterflies, we identified Aarush as one of the child not attending school. He was encouraged to join Butterflies education center. Aarush attended the bridge course at Butterflies learning center, which led to his admission to a local government school. Aarush's enthusiasm for learning grew, and his learning levels improved.

He joined the Children Development Khazana (CDK), a life skills education programme teaching financial management to children and adolescents. He is an active member of CDK and was elected to be a member of the Advance Committee in 2023.



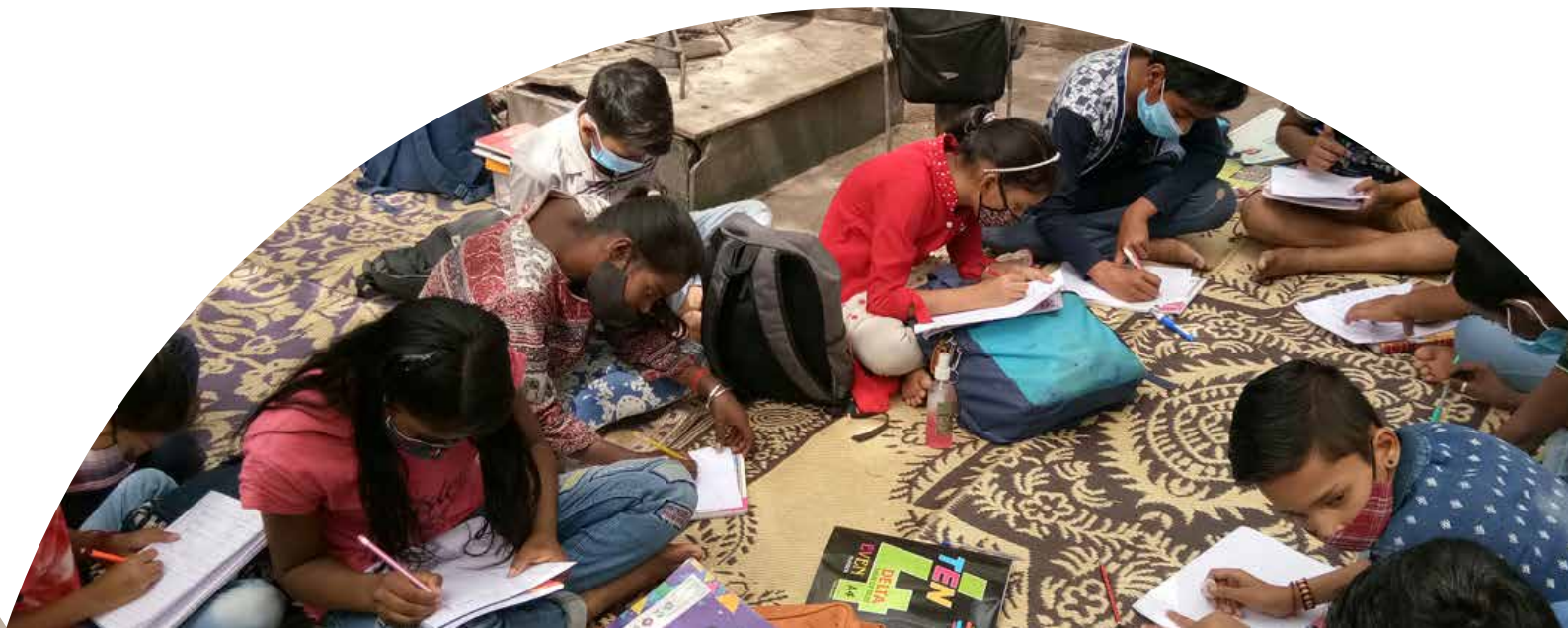
Overcoming Educational Barriers with CDK

Although Aarush was provided with school uniforms, he needed shoes, knowing his family would not be able to spare money to buy shoes, he applied for an advance of Rs.500 from CDK and bought a pair of shoes, ensuring his regular attendance.

As an Advance Committee Member, Aarush's actions inspired others. Three additional advances were granted for clothing, home renovations, and computer class fees.

The Ripple Effect of Empowerment

The CDK's focus on life skills has not only improved Aarush's daily life but also empowered him to make informed decisions. This story highlights the transformative impact of the cooperative on a child's holistic education and personal development.



Abdul Kadir's Story of Resilience and Savings



Abdul Kadir, a 10-year-old, is currently enrolled in the fourth grade. He resides near Jungpura metro station in a slum area with his family, including two siblings. Originally from Kishanganj, Bihar, they migrated in pursuit of improved living conditions. Abdul Kadir's father is an auto driver and his mother is a home maker.

Abdul Kadir became part of the Butterflies programme at Jungpura contact point when he was in the second grade. Along with continuing his education, he actively participated in cooperative sessions and meetings. He learned the importance of prioritising needs, budgeting and saving and started saving in his Children's Development Khazana (CDK) whenever he received money from family members.

In November 2020, the Delhi government imposed an industrial lockdown which resulted in his family experiencing economic distress and had a hard time to buy rations for the family, because his father was out of work. Abdul had Rs. 1,232 in his CDK account, he withdrew Rs. 600 rupees and his family bought rations for the family.

"I want to save money in CDK as it helped us during an emergency and it will also help me in my education. CDK works for me when my father is jobless and is a reliable support when my father is without work", said a beaming Abdul.

Abdul enjoys reading Hindi story books and wants to be a police officer.



“ ये CDK मेरे परिवार के लिए काम करता है जब हमारे पापा काम नहीं करते हैं ”

Child Health & Sports Cooperative (CHSC)

Introduction

Child Health and Sports Cooperative was established in 1995 with the objective of facilitating children in street situations to lead safer, healthier and emotionally well lives. CHSC provides a safe and supportive space to children where they are able to share their issues & address them. Over the course of so many years, this platform has helped children in demonstrating improved mental and physical health seeking behaviour, increased confidence in their own ability to make change, and built resilience to lead safe and positive life.



Major Activities of CHSC

- ✓ **809 children are a part of CHSC**
- ✓ 50 CHSC Meetings were held at all contact points
- ✓ 28 Child leaders were elected and trained²
- ✓ A team from British Airways visited butterflies and engaged in Paintings and Sports with the children.
- ✓ A four day Cooperative Workshop was conducted in the Month of June 2023 at Vishwa Yuvak Kendra, New Delhi to re-orient children about various concepts and procedures of the Child Health and Sports Cooperative.
- ✓ Two Excursions was organized for children in July and October 2023.
- ✓ Delhi Children Football league DCFL was organized on 30th and 31st Jan 2024 where 90 players across six teams participated. The event was attended by **335 children and 58 staff**.
- ✓ 128 parents participated on a session on parenting skills and sexuality education
- ✓ 601 cases were addressed by Child Health Educators (66 cases on an average per month). 32 cases referred to government hospital and government dispensary



² Training of Child leader elected in March 2024 is planned to be held in May 2024

Child Protection and Mental Health

Butterflies has been a strong advocator of preventing and protecting children from abuse, neglect, and exploitation, as well as getting opportunities and support to enhance their mental health. Freedom from discrimination and violence is widely recognized as an important social determinant of mental health. Although protection issues and mental health concerns cut across all sections of society; children and adolescents from marginalized and vulnerable groups face multiple forms of violence and deprivations, which hinder or minimize their opportunities to grow in a safe, supportive, and protective environment. This gap raises the demand for facilitating and supporting children and adolescents to enhance their mental health and emotional well-being.

Butterflies take a holistic approach, with the individual child as the central focus. Collaborating with parents, families, community members, teachers, schools, and other stakeholders, the Child Protection and Mental Health (CPMH) program employs various strategies, social casework, and social group work as the therapeutic approach. The overall objective of this program is to support children, when they are under emotional stress, anxiety, and work with parents who have anger management and violent communication issues, through family therapeutic care sessions with them. The mental health wellness initiative is to create an environment that supports children's emotional well-being, prevents and addresses violence against children, and provides therapeutic care to those facing emotional and behavioral challenges.



Child Social Protection Committees (CSPC)

- ✓ 15 CSPC meetings were held this year covering topics & issues like- positive parenting, the importance of communication, dealing with adolescents, mobile addiction, the importance of education, entitlements, family bonding, and a safe space for children. communication, dealing with adolescents, mobile addiction, the importance of education, entitlements, family bonding, and a safe space for children.
- ✓ 31 home visits have been conducted by the team in this period to meet the children and their families. The purpose was to interact and understand the family dynamics. Another purpose for the home visit was to meet the Child Social Protection Committee (CSPC) members.
- ✓ A total of 39 Life skills sessions were conducted, on topics like: understanding mental health and emotional well-being, career guidance; motivation and aspiration, exploring career options, self-esteem, self-confidence, expressing yourself, dealing with examination stress and fear, mobile addiction, and behavior that hurts others.
- ✓ Sessions on risk behaviour in adolescents, adolescents' relationships, and anger management were conducted with children of Delhi Child Rights Club and their frontline staff.
- ✓ 19 children were supported through Social Casework and Family Therapeutic Care.



School Visits/ Life skills Sessions in Schools

- ✓ **8 government, government-aided, MCD schools** were approached by the team to conduct sessions with students and to facilitate the admission process for children.
- ✓ **19 school** visits were made during this period
- ✓ Sessions on safe & unsafe touch and substance abuse were conducted with students of Grade 6th to 8th.



World Mental Health Day

Butterflies along with members of Delhi Child Rights Club celebrated World Mental Health Day on 10th October, 2023 at Central Park Connaught Place, where 500+ children participated by creating canvases/paintings on things that make them happy and through Art & Craft, Fun Games and several stage performances e.g. dance, musical acts, drama, mime show and yoga performances. Through their activities they spread the message that **emotions matter**.



Trainings/Workshops

- ✓ Two trainings were given to the newly elected Buddies of CHSC to build their knowledge, skills, and capacities
- ✓ Informal interactions were also held with Buddies to discuss their challenges in observing peers who maybe in need of peer support.



Resilience Center and Childline

In the past year, Butterflies faced challenges in scaling its programs to meet the growing demand for its services. Despite these challenges, the organization achieved significant milestones, including expanding its reach to more children and families in need.



Year in Review

- ✓ A new programme on prevention of adolescents from risk behavior was initiated which will be replicated to other pockets of Delhi.
- ✓ 23 adolescents participated in a session on self-awareness which included ice breaking sessions like drawing and painting together, playing together, teamwork & discipline etc.



Alliance



**National Alliance for
Grassroots NGOs (NAGN)**



**Delhi Child Rights Club
(DCRC)**

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Year in Review

- ✓ The Editorial board of DCRC (consisting of children from different organisations) had a meeting on the articles, to be published for the Delhi Children's Times.
- ✓ 39 adolescence (20 girls and 19 boys) and 16 adult facilitators attended the DCRC bi -monthly meeting which also had a session on Adolescence relationships consisting of topics like positive coping strategies, mature and settled adulthood, healthy and unhealthy relationships, healthy communication. Delhi child rights club organizations had conducted the session with other adolescents of their organization and have shared the outcome too in the next bimonthly meeting.
- ✓ 187 children from different organizations of NAGN and DCRC across India participated in a painting competition on World Environment Day. The event concluded with the felicitation of 3 winners from 3 different organizations and a pledge by children to plant at least 10 saplings in their communities and centres.
- ✓ 790 children and staff from 21 DCRC organisations participated in the DCRC cultural afternoon themed on 'India – flavours of culture and traditions of different states'
- ✓ DCRC bimonthly meeting a session was conducted on Cyber Safety: How to protect yourselves from Cybercrime.
- ✓ 700 children participated in the World Mental Health Day celebrations on 10th October 2023, at Central Park – 'Emotion matters". A total of 700 participants participated in canvas painting, fun games, drawing, painting and different cultural programmes based on the theme "Emotion matters".
- ✓ 54 adult facilitators from 16 organization participated in a session on adolescence life skills taken by Mr Chandan Chaman from Butterflies
- ✓ 75 participants from 16 DCRC member organizations participated in the DCRC Annual meeting.



Butterflies School of Culinary and Catering (BSCC)



The Butterflies School of Culinary and Catering stands as the pioneer institution in the country, providing culinary education to adolescents facing challenging circumstances. It is equipped with the necessary tools and equipment, mirroring a commercial kitchen's requirements. A team of experienced faculty, chefs, and teachers collaborates to mold trainees to meet the current demands of the hospitality industry, emphasizing practical training in culinary and catering. Internships with prestigious five-star hotels enhance learning in real-world settings.

BSCC strictly adheres to the curriculum of the nation's leading hotel management school, the "Institute of Hotel Management, Catering & Nutrition Pusa." This renowned institute offers top-notch instruction at the undergraduate, graduate, and post-graduate levels in the hospitality industry, overseen by the Government of India's Ministry of Tourism.

Term End Examination: Theory & Practical- Examinations were held in (May- Nov 2024), under the vigilance of the Head of Programmes. This was followed by the Viva taken by the Head of BSCC.

Industrial Exposure Visit- Trainees of BSCC got an opportunity to interact with the General Manager (GM) of Sarovar Premier Hotel in Greater Noida at an exposure visit. The discussion offered insightful information about the management and operations of a five star hotel focusing on guest relations, hotel management nuances, and industry best practices. The GM's knowledge and direction were crucial in enhancing the educational process and motivating our budding chefs.



Guest Session by IRCTC Tourism Monitor- The guest session by an IRCTC Tourism Monitor enlightened students about career opportunities within the Indian Railway Catering and Tourism Corporation (IRCTC) and the dynamic field of railway tourism through interactive discussions. The session highlighted the significance of railway tourism in India and offered guidance on potential career pathways in the vibrant tourism industry.

Table Service demonstration: Mr. Nitin Kumar - L&D Executive, ITC Maurya, New Delhi - Mr. Nitin, Learning and Development Executive at ITC Maurya, New Delhi, conducted an enlightening session on the various types of services and serving styles in the hospitality industry. With his experience and expertise, Mr. Nitin provided invaluable insights into the nuances of service delivery, catering to diverse guest preferences and expectations.

The session covered a wide range of topics, including table service, buffet service, room service, and specialty service styles such as à la carte and banquet service. Through engaging discussions and real-life examples, Mr. Nitin elucidated the importance of impeccable service standards in enhancing guest satisfaction and loyalty. His interactive approach and practical demonstrations enabled participants to grasp the intricacies of each service style and understand their application in different hospitality settings. Overall, Mr. Nitin's session proved to be instrumental in equipping attendees with the knowledge and skills needed to excel in the dynamic and competitive hospitality industry.

Completion of Internship: Four students completed their internship at five star hotels with two of them receiving an appreciation letter from the hotel for their dedication and passion for their work. A story on one of our interns was shared by Pullman Hotel Aerocity ([Pullman-Novotel New Delhi Aerocity on LinkedIn: Monu's journey in the culinary world started when he joined Butterflies...](#))



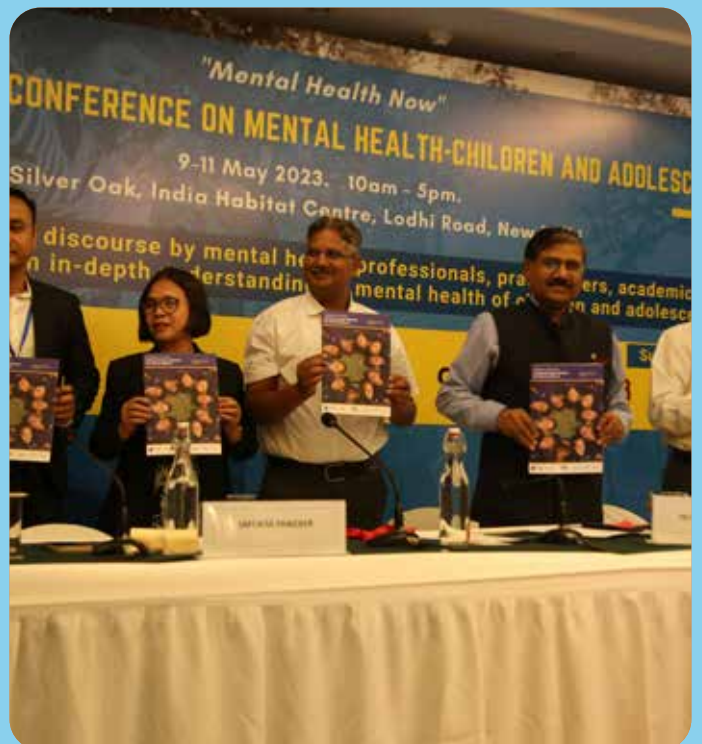
Research Training & Advocacy

The Research, Training and Advocacy Centre (RTA) at Butterflies is the knowledge hub of the organization that conducts scientific (participatory) researches, trainings on issues of children & childhood and advocacy activities for influencing the state and other stakeholders in transforming the lives of children and their families thereby striving to ensure a safe and protective environment for them. The RTA was set up recognizing the need to evolve and improve our programme interventions with children and families in order to respond to the rapid changes in socio-economic, technological and political situations of our country and the world.

Year in Review

- ✓ Butterflies organized an international conference on mental health from 9th May to 11th May 2023 at India Habitat Centre, New Delhi to address the increasing number of mental health issues among children, adolescents, and youth. The three-day conference brought together mental health professionals, clinicians, academics, practitioners, and media personnel.
- ✓ Session on Adolescent Relationship and Use of mobile-internet & its effect on mental wellbeing were held with Adolescents between-14-18 years of DCRC members on 30th May 2023.
- ✓ Session with parents on Parenting skills as part of CHSC-Cooperative held on 1st October 2023.
- ✓ Family Strengthening through Financial Management and Household Budgeting (FMHB) with Parents (March-December 2023).
- ✓ A vulnerability mapping was conducted by Butterflies NGO in July and August 2023 to assess the socio-economic status, living conditions, and needs of street-connected households in Delhi and Uttarakhand, thereby helping in planning interventions to support the well-being and rights of street-connected households in these places.
- ✓ A survey was conducted to collect primary data across 9 different contact points in Delhi to engagements of children and parents in programs of Butterflies. The survey also discussed the types of housing arrangements, living conditions, and access to basic amenities. Family composition along with support networks within street connected households was also mapped in the survey. Other key variables assessed in the survey included the level of education among parents and their children, income levels, employment opportunities, and household assets. Health issues, health care services and existing healthcare-seeking behaviours were also investigated in the survey. The survey provided valuable insights into the lived experiences and needs of the street-connected households at different contact points in Delhi and Uttarakhand, helping to shape targeted and effective interventions.





Our Supporters 2023-24

Institutional Support

- ✓ Misereor, Germany
- ✓ Comic Relief, UK
- ✓ Azim Premji Foundation, India
- ✓ Uttarakhand State Government, Education Department, Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan
- ✓ Butterflies USA Inc
- ✓ UNICEF
- ✓ Childline India Foundation (Ministry of Women & Child Development, Government of India)
- ✓ Family for Every Child, UK
- ✓ RELX (UK) LTD
- ✓ Miracle Foundation
- ✓ UK Online Giving Foundation
- ✓ Pusa Institute of Hotel Management, New Delhi
- ✓ Prasar Bharati (All India Radio)

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Members of Butterflies

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Opinion

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of **Butterflies** ("the Society"), which comprises the Balance Sheet as at 31st March, 2024, Income & Expenditure and receipt and payment Account for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements.

In our opinion and to the best of our information and according to the explanations given to us, the aforesaid financial statements give a true and fair view in conformity with the accounting principles generally accepted in India, of the state of affairs of the Society as at March 31, 2024, Income & Expenditure and receipt and payment Account for the year ended on that date.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with the Standards on Auditing (SAs) issued by ICAI. Our responsibilities under those Standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are independent of the Society in accordance with the Code of Ethics issued by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India together with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements and the Code of Ethics. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Emphasis of Matters

We draw attention to Note D of the financial statements regarding the details on certain assets of Rs 2,16,935.00/- that have become obsolete and are no longer fit for operational use. This note also shows the depreciation charged on these assets.

Our opinion is not modified in this matter.



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Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Standalone Financial Statements

The Society's Board of Member is responsible with respect to preparation of these financial statements that give a true and fair view of the financial position, financial performance of the Society in accordance with Society Registration Act, 1860 (the "Act"). This responsibility also includes maintenance of adequate accounting records in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in India, for safeguarding the assets of the Society and for preventing frauds and other irregularities, selection and application of appropriate accounting policies, making judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent and design, implementation and maintenance of adequate internal controls, that were operating effectively for ensuring the accuracy and completeness of accounting records, relevant to the preparation and presentation of financial statements that give a true and fair view and are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with SAs will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with SAs, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Society's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Society to cease to continue as a going concern.



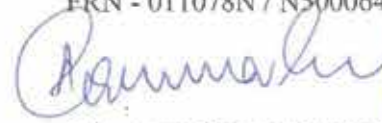
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

We also provide those charged with governance with a statement that we have complied with relevant ethical requirements regarding independence, and to communicate with them all relationships and other matters that may reasonably be thought to bear on our independence, and where applicable, related safeguards.

Place: New Delhi
Date: 16-08-2024
UDIN: 24089657BKFCND4616

For A P R A & Associates LLP
Chartered Accountants
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(CA Arun Kumar Gupta)
Partner
M.No.089657



Financials

BUTTERFLIES

BALANCE SHEET AS AT MARCH 31,2024

	Schedule	As at 31.03.2024 Rs.	As at 31.03.2023 Rs.
SOURCES OF FUNDS			
Corpus Fund	A	29,00,000	29,00,000
Reserves & Surplus	B	7,54,71,581	8,27,78,982
Donor Reserve Fund	C	1,64,67,963	2,37,06,532
Loan funds		-	-
TOTAL		9,48,39,545	10,93,85,514
APPLICATION OF FUNDS			
Investment			
Fixed Assets	D	-	-
Net Block		4,96,40,355	5,39,91,727
		4,96,40,355	5,39,91,727
Current Assets,Loans and Advances	E		
Cash & Bank Balances		4,15,97,275	5,01,05,727
Other Current Assets		85,54,899	1,04,92,574
		5,01,52,174	6,05,98,301
Less : Current Liabilities and Provisions	F		
Liabilities		49,52,984	52,04,514
Provisions			
		49,52,984	52,04,514
Net Current Assets		4,51,99,190	5,53,93,787
		9,48,39,545	10,93,85,514

NOTES FORMING PART OF ACCOUNTS

As per our report of even date attached herein
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For Butterflies

CA Arun Kumar Gupta
Partner

M No. 089657

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Dr. Saju Paracka Poulse
Chairperson

Ms. Rita Panicker Pinto
Director



BUTTERFLIES**INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE ENDED MARCH 31, 2024**

<u>INCOME</u>	Schedule	<u>2024</u> Rs.	<u>2023</u> Rs.
Donation and Grants Received	G	4,10,94,112	5,70,31,419
Other Incomes	H	25,21,336	42,50,932
		4,36,15,448	6,12,82,352
<u>EXPENDITURE</u>			
Project and Administrative Expenses	I	5,41,02,576	5,95,05,845
Depreciation		43,51,373	49,43,498
Finance Charges	J	31,251	48,611
		5,84,85,200	6,44,97,954
<u>Excess of Income over Expenditure</u>		(1,48,69,752)	(32,15,602)
Balance Transferred to Reserve & Surplus		(1,48,69,752)	(32,15,602)

NOTES FORMING PART OF ACCOUNTS

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BUTTERFLIES
RECEIPT & PAYMENT ACCOUNT
For the period from 1st April 2023 to 31st March 2024

RECEIPT	AMOUNT	PAYMENT	AMOUNT
Opening Balance		Expenses	
Cash in Hand	2,79,615	Administration Charges- PF	65,440
Cash at Bank	2,48,85,092	Audit Fees	4,88,220
Income		Board & Lodging	12,992
Donation	34,74,755	CDK Incentive	48,564
Grant Received	3,84,39,917	Commission/Brokerage	871
Interest from Bank	5,94,881	Computer Repair and Maintenance	1,59,076
Interest on FDR	12,69,263	Conveyance & Vehicle Running	17,31,881
Miscellaneous Receipts	5,000	EDLI-Premium	22,629
Interest on Group Gratuity Fund	3,19,837	Education Support	1,47,050
CDK Member Deposits	3,23,782	Electricity & water	4,59,080
Interest on TDS Refund	819	Property Tax	47,156
Current Assets		Gratuity	21,36,160
Group Gratuity Fund	39,498	Insurance Expenses	62,299
TDS Refund	1,63,611	Interest on TDS	5,021
Fixed Deposit	7,04,980	Internet Charges	42,480
		Medical Exp.	95,725
		Nutrition Expenses	16,50,008
		Office Expenses	3,85,620
		P.F.Employer	15,00,361
		Postage & courier	9,365
		Printing & Stationary	4,78,244
		Professional Fees	47,92,063
		Programme Expenses	1,03,31,634
		Rent - Childline	27,000
		Rent - CDC	1,31,000
		Repair & Maintenance	22,08,177
		Salaries and wages	2,33,43,276
		Shelter	4,627
		Staff Group Medical Insurance	1,77,251
		Telephone communication	2,25,929
		Travelling Expenses	13,13,425
		Vehicle Repair and Maintenance	22,243
		Compensation -Salaries and Wages	9,22,650
		Security Service Charge	1,61,070
		Website and Maintenance Charges	11,945
		Bank Charges	31,251
		Current Assets	
		Welfare Advance	2,900
		Security Deposit Indrapratha Gas Ltd.	31,277
		Loans & Advances	25,000
		Closing Balance	
		Cash in Hand	3,20,621
		Cash at Bank	1,68,69,469
TOTAL	7,05,01,050	TOTAL	7,05,01,050

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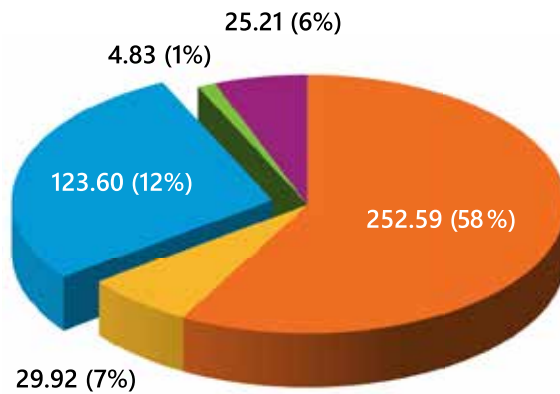
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How Your Support is Being Used

Butterflies Society Income 2023-2024

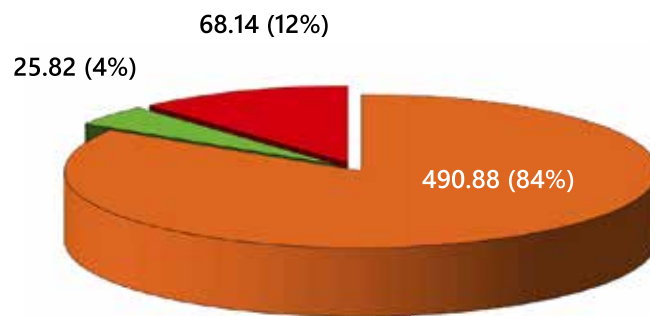
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- Foreign Grant
- Foreign Donation
- Indian Grant
- Indian Donation
- Other Income

Expenditure 2023-24

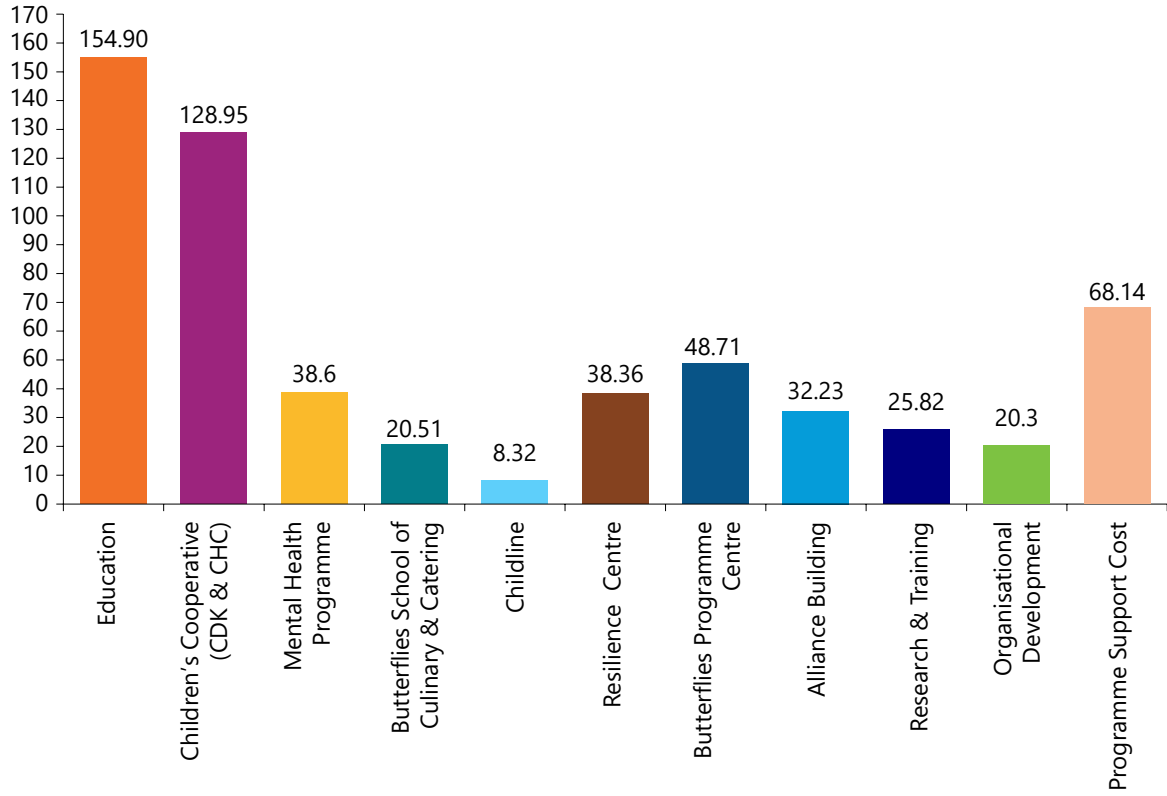
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- Direct Intervention Programmes for Children
- Research & Training
- Programme Support

Butterflies Society Expenditure 2023-2024

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