



AGORA CLUB INTERNATIONAL SERVICE PROJECTS

Since 2009, our members have supported and contributed to the LCI International Service projects and a 4 Clubs 1 Vision project (2009).

Since 2015 however, ACI started organizing its own International Service Projects. The money for the financial support of Agora Club International Service Projects is derived from the proceeds of the tombola during the ACI Conferences, the sale of the International President's pin, and from projects which are organized specifically for the ISP, by our full and associate member countries and local member clubs.

2009-2010 (Contribution 4C1V project)

Agora Club International contributed to the International Service Project of "4 Clubs 1 Vision" (RTI, LCI, ACI, 41 Intl) in the earthquake struck town of Onna in Italy, where the 4 Clubs 1 Vision Mission built a new Centre for young people, after the terrible earthquake in the region of Ambruccio.



2009-2011 (Contribution LCI ISP)

Agora Club International contributed for the first time to the 2-yearly International Service Project of our sister club Ladies'Circle International "ECPAT". A very valuable project to end child prostitution, child pornography and child trafficking.



2011-2013 (Contribution LCI ISP)

The ACI members voted to continue to support the ISP's of LCI. The Service Project 2011-2013 was "VIVA CON AQUA", an organization which aim it is to ensure better access to clean water, particularly for people in very arid areas around the world.



2013-2015 (Contribution LCI ISP)

"CHILDREN OF THE DUMP" was founded in 2004 to change the lives of hundreds of children, living on the dumps of Stung Meanchy, Cambodia. With the help of funding, the NGO helps the local "Center for Children's Happiness", to provide these children with a home and decent meals, and offer them the chance to go to school, study and prepare these children to make their way back into society.



2014-2016 (Contribution RT family project)

"ALL4NEPAL" : ACI joined the All4Nepal campaign (RTI, LCI, ACI, 41Intl, TCI, WOCO) making a difference in the epicentral area in Nepal.



2015-2017 (Contribution LCI ISP)

ACI continued to support the LCI service project, in Side-by-Side spirit.

In 2014, a home for girls called "LITTLEBIGHELP" was opened in Kolkata in India, for street connected and other vulnerable girls, where the girls have the chance to start a new life in a safe environment filled with care, comfort, nutrition and education.



2015-2019 : The start of the first ACI International Service Project

During the ACI conference in Brasov, and on the 20th anniversary of Agora Club International a historic decision was made: from this year the Agora countries will support our very own Agora Club International Service Project (ACI ISP). "EYES FOR THE WORLD" was voted as very first ACI ISP.

This is a life changing project, which helps children and elderly in less-privileged areas to better eyesight, with self-adjustable spectacles.

The project has proven to make a big difference in children's lives since the flagship combined project in May 2015 between AC Lokeren (Belgium) and AC Amarula (South Africa), and has since been implemented in several AC Countries such as Morocco, India, South Africa, Romania, Zimbabwe, Botswana, Madagascar – always with enormous input and help from the local Agora Clubs.

Thousands of adjustable glasses were handed out in schools, orphanages and elderly homes in poor areas. Due to this success the project was voted to run for a second term 2017-2019.



ACI ISP 2015-TODAY

Also in 2015, the "ACI KNITTING PROJECT" started: our Agora members provide handcrafted clothing and blankets for underprivileged children. Thousands of knitted sweaters, bonnets and blankets have already found their way to nurseries and children's hospitals worldwide.



ACI ISP 2019-2023

Many girls in less-privileged areas cease to go to school during their monthly period because they can't afford or do not have access to sanitary pads. "PALESA PADS" is a company located in South Africa which manufactures high quality washable sanitary pads, and was chosen as the ACI ISP 2019-2021. Many girls in South Africa, Botswana, Madagascar, Zimbabwe and Zambia were offered a "kit", containing washable sanitary pads which would help them during 5 years, soap and a washing bucket.

Due to the global pandemic, the Agora members decided to run the project for a second term 2021-2023.



ACI ISP 2023-2025

During the ACI Conference in Brasov in 2023, our members voted for the new ACI ISP "LAPTOPS 4 HOPE, E-LEARNING EVOLUTION". Education is the key which opens the door to a better future. Computer and internet are part of modern daily life. Refurbished and second-hand laptops will be donated to children/people in less-privileged areas to give them the chance to get access to information and education by using a laptop, internet and electricity.

Every ACI member can participate in every implementation of the project.

