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SOS Children's Village in Jakarta, Indonesia announced as this year's Lighthouse Project

For 2018 Siegwerkers in Southeast Asia will partner with SOS Children's Village to support roughly 2,300 children and young adults in programs across Indonesia. In the country SOS oversees various activities initiatives for 260 children in different SOS Children's Villages, 310 young adults in youth facilities and a further 1,740 in family strengthening programs.



YouthCan!

The [YouthCan! program](#) is one key area where Siegwerk will provide local support. Here Siegwerkers will act as mentors helping youths to build work skills and providing career guidance or work direct work experience. The average age of young adults leaving SOS care in Indonesia is between 20 and 24 – just as they start to build their lives and their careers.

Indonesia is a geographically dispersed country spread out nearly 5,000 km across the equator. Made up of more than 17,000 islands, the country has a population of 260 million, the fourth largest in the world.

Even though Indonesia has reduced poverty in recent years, more than 11 percent of the population lives under the locally-defined poverty level. Poverty is more prevalent in rural areas where only 36 percent of the population has access to proper sanitation facilities.

Digitalization project

As part of the partnership Siegwirk will be a major sponsor of the Village's SOS family homes, youth facilities and family strengthening programs. In addition, Siegwirk will support the digitalization of the SOS Children's Village Jakarta, just outside the city limits and near to Siegwirk operations in Indonesia. By establishing a digital library complete with computers, internet access, video conferencing facilities, software, maintenance and a dedicated project manager, local residents will be able to study and work from home without relying on public computer centers or libraries for access online.

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