

## **School Program**

The teachers and students from the village schools in very poor regions of China have to expose their lives to the habitual rundown classrooms. In mountainous regions, many school children are too young to tramp over hills by themselves for their schools which are a 2-hour walk away, and thus are inclined to give up or postpone going to school.

The OCEF School Program is intended to improve or rebuild the rundown classrooms in rural China, including the schoolhouses which failed to reach the basic requirements. This will provide a good environment for the students.

The school Program covers large amount of money and needs close cooperation among schools, the local government and OCEF in the course of complicated construction. The following are the requirements for the School Program application.

- The school must be located in a depressed area.
- No less than ten students and one teacher; No same kind of school in a certain area.
- The schoolhouse should be a rundown house or be beyond the basic standard.
- The department which is in charge of the construction should present the whole budget (including the local unit price of the materials, the amount of the project, design blueprints) and the sum needed for OCEF's examination.
- Report current undergoing project
- The local government covers half of the funds and the local people should be the labors.
- We investigate and verify the application and budget;
- When the main part of construction is finished, we pay half the sum against photos;
- Pay the left half sum against photos, report of quality inspection and bills;
- Appoint a non-local volunteer to evaluate the construction

We have a clear statement of budget and final accounts. With the school program in one area, we are familiar with the local unit price of the materials and labor fees, which will help to prevent potential misappropriation.

As to quality control, we rely on local quality control department, the self cooperation of the working group, as well as the more experienced volunteers

### **Donation**

You can choose any of the waiting schools, which are all within \$25,000 budget. A school project will begin only with sufficient funds. A typical project lasts 6-12 months.

### **Feedback to Donors**

- Progressive report on the undergoing project
- Final report on project
- Photos of school then and now
- Inspection report within a year