

## Introduction to Bashu Recovery Foundation

巴蜀力量基金会（中国红十字会项目基金）

简介



Bashu Recovery Foundation (BRF) is an independent special fund established under the Red Cross Society of China on May 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2008, for the immediate relief from the devastating Sichuan Earthquake in southwest China on May 12, 2008 and long term post-earthquake recovery in the affected area. This foundation was initiated by a group of retired senior officials and entrepreneurs in business communities who are Sichuan natives or ever worked in the Sichuan area.

All the funds raised by BRF are 100% allocated to the relief projects in the disaster or poverty area affected by Sichuan Earthquake, all administrative and operational costs of BRF were sponsored by the enterprise members of BRF Board. Since its establishment, BRF has launched or planned 14 relief projects, of which 7 projects have been successfully completed or are underway. All relief funds involved in these projects exceeded 100,000,000 RMB.

During the early stage of post-earthquake recovery, BRF focuses on educational, cultural and public health relief efforts in the earthquake area, as well as restoration of houses and schools in the affected area. The main assistance in education include financial support for restoration of schools, and establishment of Bashu Recovery Foundation Scholarship in the reconstructed schools. The main assistance in



public health include financial support to restore local medical institutes and provide medical instruments for them. The main assistance in house restoration in the earthquake area is a project cooperated with Taiwan "5.12 Earthquake Recovery Support Alliance", approximate 800 houses with light steel frames will be built in Shannxi Province and Gansu Province. (The project is expected to be completed by the first half year of 2009).



In addition to reconstruction plans and projects, BRF launched a program called the Hundred School Scholarship Fund, to improve the study conditions and living standards of the children in Sichuan poverty area. The goal is to raise scholarship funds for a hundred

elementary and junior schools in the poverty area of Liangshan, Shichuan province within three years. Each recipient will obtain 300 RMB per semester, and 15% of the students in 100 schools are to be covered by the scholarship. This program will be expanded to other areas after the initial successful implement in Liangshan area.



*Students in an elementary school in Ningnan County, Sichuan Province were having lunch. Students love meals in school since they are much better than what they eat at home.*



*The dormitory of an elementary school in Ningnan County, Sichuan Province, two or three students share one bed, all students share one faucet. Living in the school dormitory are dreams of many students who have to walk two or three hours to go to school.*



Projects supported:

1. Wenhui Junior & High School in Heyang Town, Danling County, Sichuan Province Meishan area ( completed at the end of 2008)
2. Baiguo Junior High School in Baiguo Town, Zhongjiang County, Sichuan Province Deyang area (to open in early 2009)
3. Dingjunshan Elementary School in Hanzhong, Shannxi Province ( in the process of finalizing contracts)
4. An elementary school in Liangshan area, Sichuan Province ( in the process of finalizing contract).
5. An elementary school in Panzhihua area in Sichuan Province ( in the process of finalizing contract).
6. Jiezi Country Clinic in Mianyang area, Sichuan Province
7. WeiCheng Center Clinic in Sichuan Province
8. Tonggousi Clinic in Hanzhong area, Shannxi Province
9. 800 light steel houses project in Shannxi Province and Gansu Province

For more information about the Bashu Recovery Foundation, please visit program linked at China Red Cross Web site: [http://news.xinhuanet.com/politics/2008-05/23/content\\_8236745.htm](http://news.xinhuanet.com/politics/2008-05/23/content_8236745.htm)

And a Blog by a board members at [http://blog.sina.com.cn/s/blog\\_5e45e6b00100byjw.html](http://blog.sina.com.cn/s/blog_5e45e6b00100byjw.html)

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