



# Bez pagātnes nav nākotnes

Starptautiskās SOS  
bērnu ciematu  
organizācijas saknes  
un attīstība.

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SOS CHILDREN'S  
VILLAGES

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# Our heritage —

## Context

Post-war Austria, **1949**: many children living on the streets or in institutional care

## Goal

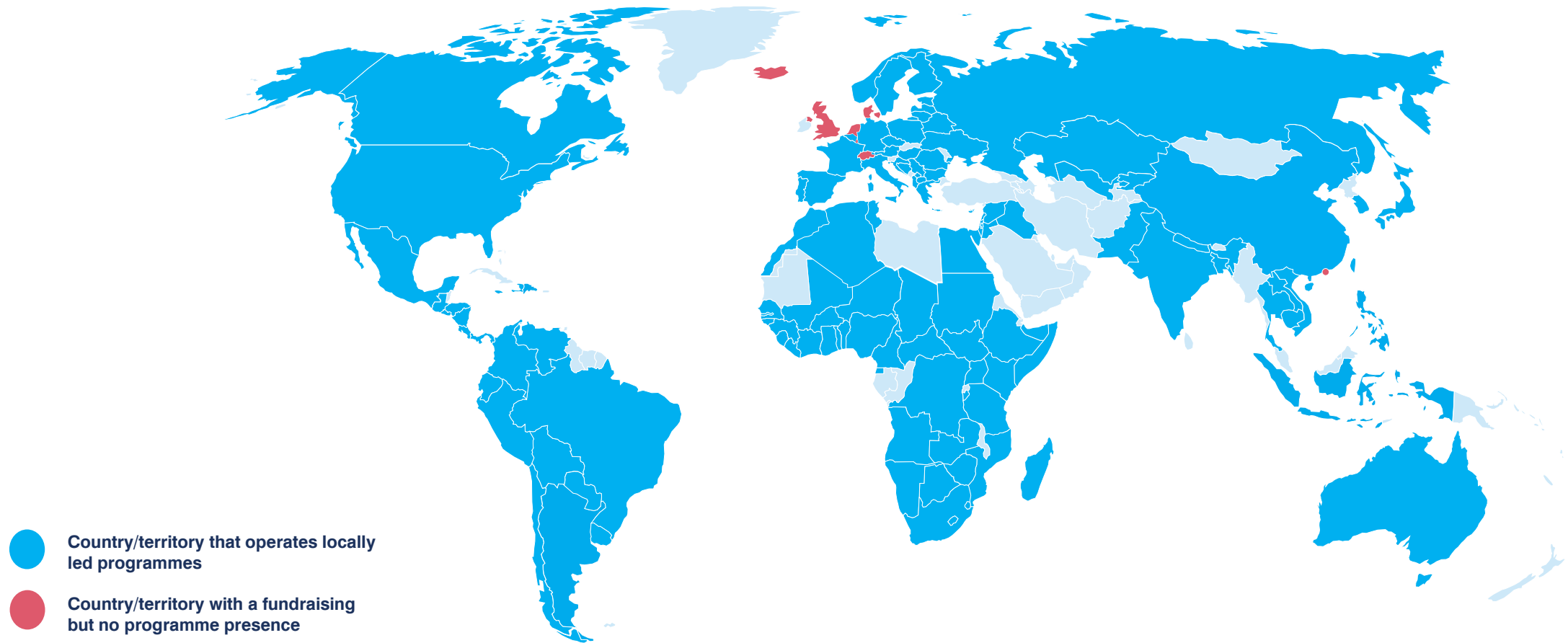
To create a new model of alternative care that focused on providing children with reliable, family-like relationships that created security and a real place of belonging

**“Tear down your institutions”**

-Hermann Gmeiner, Founder

# Where we work

We work for children and young people in **130+** countries and territories



# Key figures 2021

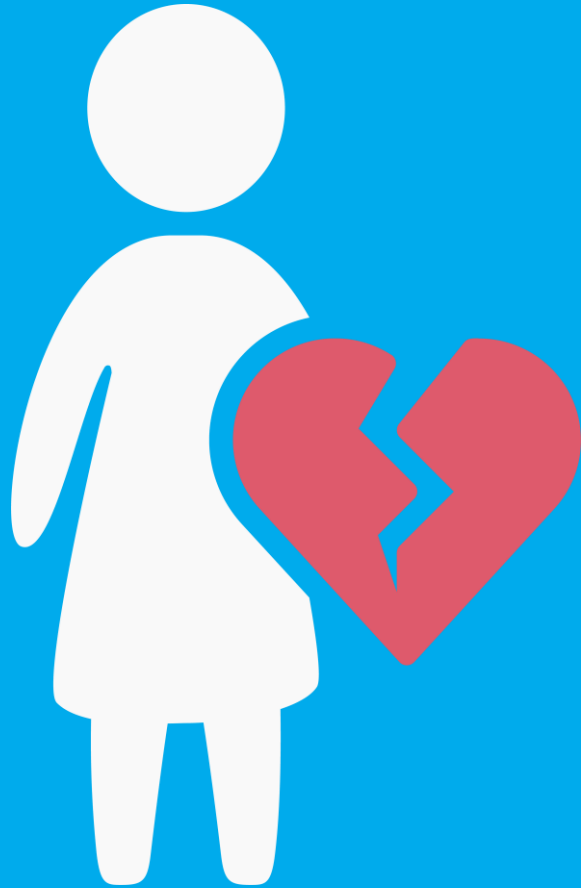
People reached: **1,277,000**

Programmes operated: **2,826**

Countries where we  
contributed to policy  
change: **51**

Supporters and donors: **4,376,000**


Employees worldwide: **39,400**



# 1 in 10 children

is neglected, abandoned, orphaned,  
abused or displaced, growing up without  
the support and care of a family





Truly bonding with a  
child has the power to  
change the world.







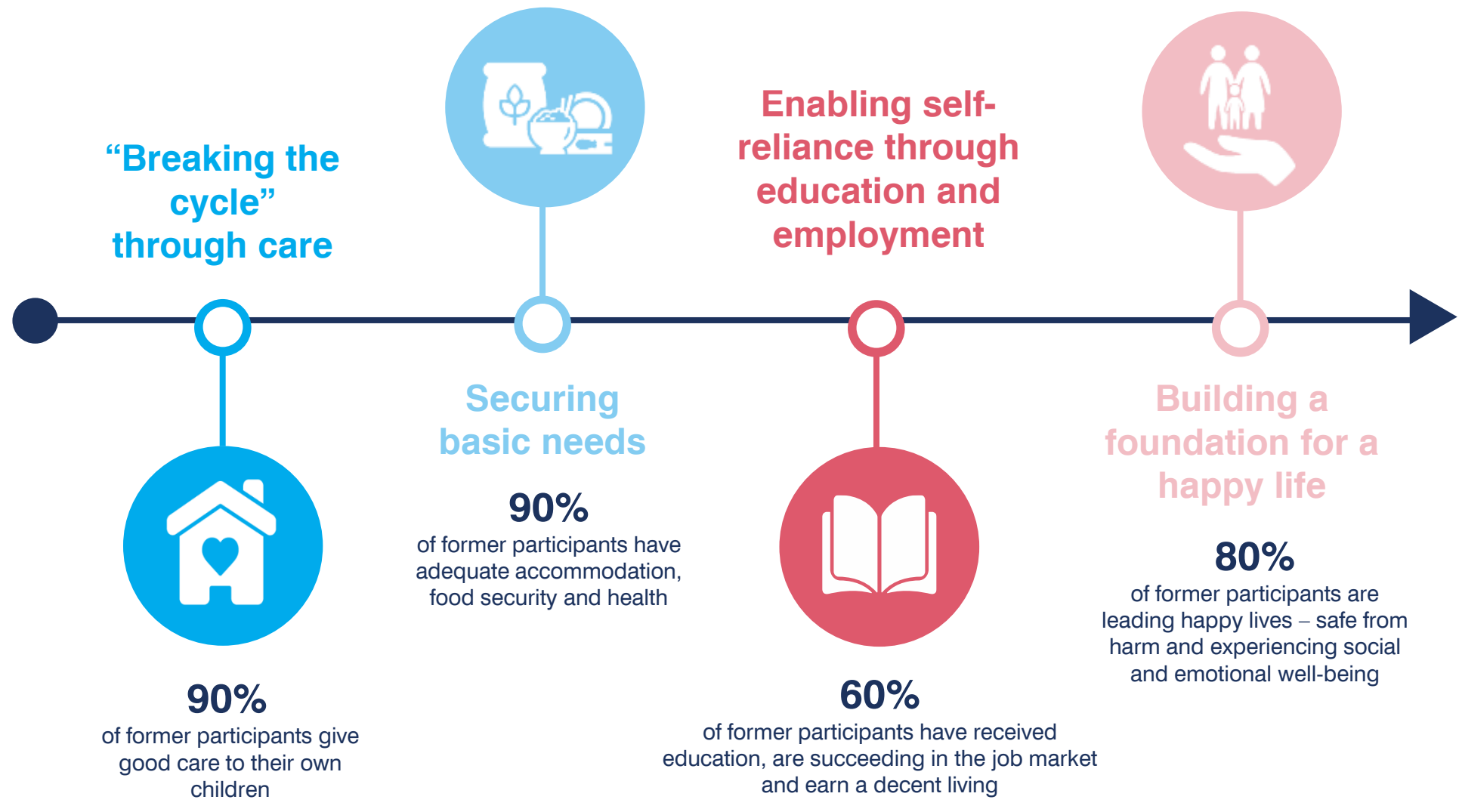
# Why **we** are here

Children need strong and reliable relationships in order to thrive. Without them, the negative effects can last a lifetime, creating a **harmful cycle that repeats itself from one generation to the next.**





# 70 Years of Impact



# What we do



## **Prevention**

Strengthen families so that children are not separated from parents, siblings, extended family, community



## **Protection**

When being cared for by family is not possible, we ensure that children and young people receive the care that fits their individual needs. For example, through short-term care, foster care, or residential care



## **Advocacy**

Speak up for and with children to defend their rights and improve policy and practice







# How we do it

SOS Children's Villages provides a range of services to support children and young people in difficult circumstances. Our programmes include:

**Prevention:  
strengthen  
families**



**Alternative  
Care**



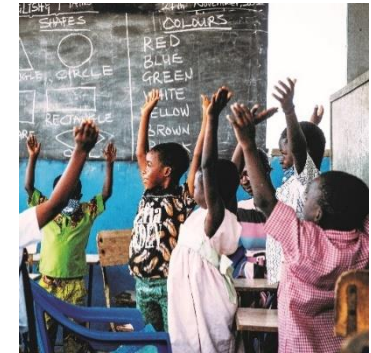
**Education,  
Employability  
and Training**



**Emergency  
Response**



**Advocacy and  
Youth  
Participation**



AND MORE...

«Gūt var dodot, gūt var ņemot.  
Dodot gūtais neatņemams.»  
/Rainis/

«Vienīgā bagātība, ko varēsi  
atstāt pēc sevis, ir tas ko būsi  
devis citiem»  
/Marks Aurēlijs/

