

# THE INTERNATIONAL CHILDREN'S PEACE PRIZE PROJECT FUND

The International Children's Peace Prize is awarded annually to a child who fights courageously for children's rights. The International Children's Peace Prize is the most prestigious prize that a young changemaker can receive in recognition of their efforts to move the world. The Prize consists of the statuette 'Nkosi', which shows how a child sets the world in motion; The Desmond Tutu Study and Care Fund to enable the winner to obtain education and to support their family, where needed; a worldwide platform to amplify their message and promote causes for the benefit of children's rights; a Project fund of €100.000, out of which €50.000 is for the winner's project and the other €50.000 is invested by KidsRights in changemaking projects of young people worldwide.

In 2024 alone, the Project Fund impacted 156.000 children worldwide through 16 projects in 10 countries!

## Project Fund's Extraordinary Impact: Examples

### SADAT RAHMAN



**WINNER, INTERNATIONAL CHILDREN'S PEACE PRIZE 2020**

**Organisation:** CyberTeens Foundation

**Country:** Bangladesh

Since winning the International Children's Peace Prize, Sadat's anti-cyberbullying app became mandatory in primary and secondary schools in Bangladesh. Sadat was able to start his own organization 'CyberTeens Foundation' with the support of the Project Fund. Recently, the government of Bangladesh launched Sadat's national toll-free helpline number 13219 for young people so that more than 100.000 teenagers in Bangladesh can have easy access to seek support for their cyberbullying concerns.

### VIHAAN AND NAV AGARWAL



**WINNERS, INTERNATIONAL CHILDREN'S PEACE PRIZE 2021**

**Organisation:** One Step Greener

**Country:** India

Recognizing that waste generation systems within their community needed to be made more efficient and sustainable to move towards the goal of a "zero waste" society, Nav and Vihaan organised door-to-door waste collection and recycling drives. With the support of the Project Fund, they went from collecting dry waste from 1400 homes in a rented truck in 2021 to now covering 50,000 individual monthly pickups across 3 states and 8 cities in India covering 65 localities, 15 offices, 16 schools and 2 colleges with a fleet of electric vehicles and a team of over 70 members.

# Project Fund's Extraordinary Impact: Examples

## MALALA YOUSAFZAI



**WINNER, INTERNATIONAL CHILDREN'S PEACE PRIZE 2013**

**Organisation: Khushal School & College**

**Country: Pakistan**

With the Project Fund, KidsRights supports the project 'scholarship program for underprivileged girls' in Pakistan to help them complete their higher secondary education at Khushal School & College. The girl students gained valuable knowledge, strengthened their leadership abilities, and developed critical thinking skills. The project also inspired them to become active participants in their communities, advocating for important social causes such as gender equality and mental health awareness. Students also receive critical mental health support, equipping them with the resilience and tools needed to overcome personal and academic challenges.

## DIVINA MALOUM



**WINNER, INTERNATIONAL CHILDREN'S PEACE PRIZE 2019**

**Organisation: Children For Peace**

**Project: Cameroon**

Divina Maloum led the project 'African Parliament of girls for Peace' with the support of Project Fund. She trained 300 girls, led 50 community parliaments of girls for Peace and built the capacity of 4.150 girls in topics like democracy, gender equality, human rights and political involvement. The project recognized and promoted the significant and varying roles of women and girls at all levels as critical stakeholders in (a) families, communities, civil society, educational institutions, private sector, and in government, including in security, intelligence, and law enforcement, and (b) developing more localized, inclusive, credible, resonant, and effective approaches.

## MEET NILA: 2024 WINNER

At the 20<sup>th</sup> ceremony of the International Children's Peace Prize, Nila won the International Children's Peace Prize 2024 for her efforts to improve education and participation rights of Afghan girls and women. After being awarded with this year's 20th International Children's Peace Prize, Nila led a global singalong of her viral protest song to transmit her message across the world. After winning the International Children's Peace Prize, Nila's powerful message was relayed by major global media outlets.

> You can also help Nila and similar projects to enable girl children to receive an education and to be heard!





## Vision for 2025

Winner	Winning year	Project	2025
Sadat Rahman	2020	13219 Helpline to provide 24 x 7 support to teenagers in Bangladesh facing cyberbullying	€14,700
Nav & Vihaan Agarwal	2021	Afforestation and waste management in India	€25,000
Rena Kawasaki	2022	Youth participation in local councils in Japan	€25,000
Anastasiia D, Sofiiia T & Anastasiia F	2023	Local integration of refugee children in host countries using mobile app 'svity'	€20,000
Nila Ibrahim	2024	Project for the education and participation of Afghan girls and women	€25,000
Project Fund Gender Equality	2024	Changemaking projects based on the work of 2024 winner	€50,000
<b>Total</b>			<b>€159,700</b>