



The Lotus Children's Centre Charitable Trust

A UK registered charity dedicated to providing care, accommodation, support, and education to abandoned and abused children in Mongolia

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We confirm that a team led by Silvio Divina and Rafal Sciubisz will be embarking in 2021 on a grueling journey overland from Wroclaw in Poland to Ulaanbaatar, the capital of Mongolia. The purpose of the journey is to raise funds that will be used to provide a source of sustainable energy for The Lotus Children's Centre, a Mongolian NGO that for the past 25 years has been caring for and educating many hundreds of abandoned, abused, or orphaned children.

This project is vital for Lotus, as buying fuel for our old coal fired boiler is the second largest item in our budget, and the savings will free up funds that can be spent directly on benefiting the children.

Of additional importance, Ulaanbaatar is the most polluted capital city in the world, with high levels of respiratory disease and lung cancer amongst the vulnerable families living in the shanty towns surrounding the city. Part of the solution is to generate energy using non-fossil fuels, and we hope this initiative will encourage other organizations to reduce their levels of carbon emissions.

We hope you will support Silvio, Rafal and their team in this remarkable venture, which will make a real difference to the very special children in our care and will contribute to a cleaner environment.

Thank you.

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