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III. - LEGAL INFORMATION

SD Chile is not legally a corporation so the social service work done up to the present has been channeled through the direct support of the people who coordinate the projects. Nevertheless, Subud Chile, which is incorporated as a non-profit organization, supports and backs some of the activities through various authorities when the project merits or needs it.



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IV. - SUMMARY (SEE WEB SITE)

SD Chile continues to support interesting local projects, which were started more than two years ago, and plans to add new social service programs which are in the preparatory stages, all of this through the efforts of volunteers and unpaid Subud members.

One of its major projects, judging by the impact of the program on the community, continues to be "Vacuna Valorica", an educational program that promotes human values among children of persons who are imprisoned or who have drug addiction problems.

There are other continuing programs:

- (i) Podiatric treatment for the elderly, who have illnesses like diabetes,
- (ii) Support to coordinate funds received from foreign donors to cover the cost of living for a university student,
- (iii) Personal, emotional and economic support for children with leukemia and their parents in an aid center in the southern city of Temuco.



In addition to the above, during the year 2005 we are putting our efforts into starting two new ambitious community support projects: the first is aimed at school aged children who have problems with hyperactivity and attention deficit. The proposal focuses on food supplements and natural remedies with little or no side effects. The idea is that these children, who attend a school in one of the most populated communities in Chile, will be able to improve their behavior and academic achievement with nutritional supplements made from cod (liver) oil, under the supervision of

professionals who will periodically measure their progress. (It is hoped that the program can be expanded to include new schools in the same community.) This project already has the support of Subud members in Spain and we hope to raise more funds from North America and Europe in order to expand the current reach of the program.

The second project is a program, similar to successful programs implemented by international organizations that fight against poverty in rural areas in other parts of Latin America, aimed at supporting extremely poor communities in the use of solar energy devices for food preparation.





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(a) Primary activities:

The majority of the activities accomplished by SD Chile are done with the collaboration and voluntary support of the members, be it terms of time, money, non-perishable food, clothing and other items, in order to achieve the stated goals.

So we have classified our projects as:

(I) Internal (supporting members with the Subud organization)

- 1) Financial aid to members in difficult economic situations
- 2) Help with health treatment through free podiatric care where only inexpensive medical supplies are paid for.
- 3) Visits to members with health problems, which include doing latihan with the sick and emotional support.
- 4) Help with job searching for unemployed members

(II) External (linked to the community)

- 1) Educational Project: Vacuna Valórica.
- 2) Social Project: Children with Leukemia
- 3) Educational Project: Support for University Students
- 4) Health Project: Support of Podiatric Treatment
- 5) Two social, educative and financial projects in the preparatory stages



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(b) Strategies for Raising Funds

There are two principle ways we get funding. Those projects of an internal character are financed by direct voluntary support from Subud members. A second possibility of funding has arisen with donations from people outside of Subud who have witnessed the good outcomes of the various programs.

We hope to formally implement a third alternative of funding which is the support from SDI and/or other SD groups in Europe and North America, based on the professionalism and strict control we have had over the projects and their important and positive impact on our community

(c) Publicity

At this point we have not done any written or digital publicity on our projects.

In the area of audiovisual media there has been the dispersal of only the program Vacuna Valórica that has reached many Chilean homes.

For one of our new projects we are planning on publications, videos and training manuals of various sorts to be received as support from FAO and from Chilean National Television, which we hope will be useful.

(d) Visits to the Projects

Practically speaking, in all of the projects in which we participate directly there is a responsible representative who belongs to our Subud Association so there is no component of "projects in the field" which require control from a distance and scheduled visits given that all of them are carried on permanently under our supervision.

In addition, our programs up to this time have a local outreach, despite the fact that some are in areas distant from our groups

However if we acquire funding for the next projects, the visits in the field will be done by a responsible SD group preferably along with local or national helpers.

(e) Links to other organizations, government agencies, etc.:

Due to the nature of the projects, we maintain a close contact with some non-governmental organizations and some governmental agencies such as:

- CONILE, a non-governmental agency that supports children with leukemia.
- ANAMURI, Organization of Rural and Indigenous Women
- School of Podiatry from the Central Valley Institute of Higher Education



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- Simón Bolívar Home for the Elderly
- Las Rosas Foundation Home

For the upcoming projects, in case we are able to get funding, it is possible to get the support of such well-known and prestigious agencies as

- FAO
- PNUD

V. - ACHEIVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCES IN 2005

(a) Achievements:

In our judgment, the most important achievements to highlight in 2005 were:

- 1) Internally, because of the strengthening effect of the social activities done by SD in the various Subud groups in Chile, a solid and cohesive SD support developed to cover the costs of aiding and supporting our brothers and sisters which has been very well received by the members of Subud Chile
- 2) Externally, the active participation and the positive impact reached in areas and to groups of the non-Subud community, which we previously had no opportunity to reach.
- 3) Functionally, the enthusiasm with which the other Subud wings are functioning shown in different ways, e.g. in the collaboration and interest shown by the young people to participate in activities like the support of SICA, Enterprises, SIHA and the National Committee to resolve any problem that comes up in the projects.
- 4) Because to the efficient and responsible work we have done, we have managed to capture the affection and attention of our Subud brothers and sisters outside of our country who feel to participate in the work that we are developing. It is of interest to us to refine this relationship and in time maintain work in conjunction with Subud members in wealthier areas whose support would have a significant impact on the needy areas of our country.

(b) Activities:

- 1) There is a continuing interest among schools in the presentation of the video (Vacuna Valórica) to the young people. The outcome has been very good since the project has been evaluated by various agencies and accepted by the young people themselves. The students are children in irregular situations (children of prisoners, drug addicts and alcoholics) so it is not easy to work with them in the area of values when their own parents are such bad examples. The educational agency of the local government has agreed to spread this work to other schools.
- 2) Support for free podiatric treatment continues for 40 members of Casa Subud, Las Rosas Foundation and the Simón Bolívar home. Students podiatrists from the Podiatry School of the Central Valley Institute of Higher Education supervised by Professor Wills Aracena C., Podiatrist, do the treatment. Susila Dharma coordinates the contributions in



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money from Subud members to cover the cost of supplies needed for this free podiatric treatment.

3) Financial aid for one university student continues. Danton Spivey, a member of the Denver Subud group in the US, asked us for help in transferring funds for a university grant to Vanessa. We helped him with contacting the University and with the necessary translations.

Vanessa belongs to a low-income family and needed financial help to get her university degree. Thanks to Danton, today Vanessa is continuing her studies to become a Basic Education teacher

4) Support to the organization CONILE a non-governmental organization that takes in low-income children who suffer from leukemia. These children come from poor rural homes. CONILE has a transition home for these children and they give them free exams, medicine, which is expensive, food and lodging. As for the last two (food and lodging) those accompanying the children while they are in chemotherapy are also included. We have been very well received by these families and our help has been felt.

VI.- GOALS FOR 2006 AND THE NEXT THREE YEARS

(a) Current Projects:

1) After a financial search, increase the coverage of the video Vacuna Valórica to schools in other communities to obtain the same results and to get official recognition from governmental agencies for work done up to this point.

2) Continue to offer podiatric treatment for Subud members and increase the coverage to new institutions that need this program. SD Chile continues to be able to cover the associated costs.

3) Maintain financing and collaboration on behalf of the aforementioned low-income university student so that she can get her professional degree.

4) Repeat at the end of each year a Christmas party for the children from CONILE with leukemia. Increase the aid to insure the needed support and to at least duplicate the current level of economic aid.

(b) New Programs:

1) Support the procedures necessary to implement the program of distributing omega 3 cod liver oil to the students of two schools. These children are attention deficit and hyperactive. Two Subud sisters work in these schools as teachers. As a first stage to start this program, the Subud sisters are forming a team of professionals to make the different evaluations needed by the children and the project.

2) Look for a way to cover the cost of education for one or two Subud youth who do not have the wherewithal but who have a real interest in studying, who have the capacity, who are energetic and actively participate in the activities and needs of Subud.



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- 3) Study the possibility of an aid fund for elderly low-income Subud members.
- 4) Establish contact with organizations of rural and indigenous women in the north of Chile to study the feasibility of starting a nutrition and solar kitchens (stoves) project which eventually could become a source of respectable work for low income families. We are also investigating the possibility that solar kitchens would be useful in rural schools in northern Chile given the high price of fuel in those places.
- 5) With the help of SICA form a permanent Subud theater or dance group to provide entertainment in children's homes and schools.
- 6) Develop a rest and recuperation center for Subud members in the province of Temuco so that up to 12 people can have at their disposal free lodging during the year at a country place in the south of Chile. There is some interest in extending this invitation to Subud members in other countries. The place has 2 rooms for latihan.

VII. - NETWORK OF ASSISTANCE

(a) Manner in which the Susila Dharma network can help us reach our goals:

We see two possible areas of interest to work on. First, in the area of assistance, make good use of the difference in wealth of the members of SDI in Europe because we believe that there is an opportunity to continue developing programs that have great impact in needy areas and groups that, with a little permanent financial support, can be maintained and improved.

Second, in the area of the organization itself, it would be advisable to get a set of documentation that formally explains the organization of SDI and the support it can give to our national SD. A letter directly endorsing our programs should be a part of the documents sent to us in order to formalize and make official our efforts to develop this Subud wing.

Finally we reiterate our recommendation that SDI maintain a relevant and permanent correspondence with us and let our projects become well known in the international network as a strategy to spread the word about our mission and develop an interest in collaboration of those who feel called to help through out the world.

(b) Current relationship with SDI:

Currently our relationship with SDI is very fluid and collaborative, coinciding fully with regard to strategic objectives. This relationship relies on basic and essential elements to continue improving: an informative nature apart from the ties maintained with the previous representative; and the immeasurable harmony that comes from participating together in world congresses and other gatherings. These gatherings provide special opportunities to make contacts for the development of projects according to SDI methodology and because of this we feel that there is an opportunity to make connections and work together not only in the spirit but also in person.



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This does necessarily involve direct economic support to our programs. It could also mean extending and financing invitations to some of our representative and /or SD Chile committee members to participate in the annual international network of events to learn about, be motivated by and take part in the experiences of this international Subud wing as well as so that others can meet our group and publicize some of the activities done here in Chile in international reports.

(c) Current relationship with other national SD groups:

Given the way the Subud groups in Chile function the connection is permanent, fluid and fully coordinated. That all the activities involve members from various groups is perhaps one the characteristics of Subud work in Chile.



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VIII.- FINANCIAL REPORT 2005 (\$US)

Total Annual Income (all US\$)	\$8,000
Contributions from Subud members	\$4,500
Contributions from non Subud members	\$1,500
Government contributions	\$1,200
Business contributions	\$800
Total Annual Costs	\$8,000
Vacuna Valórica Project	\$4,400
Podiatric Treatment Program	\$800
University Student Project	\$2,500
Children with Leukemia Program	\$300

Other Relevant figures:

Minimum anticipated cost for the two new projects	\$5,000
Estimated amount of annual donations in infrastructure and supplies for SD Chile projects	\$5,000 – \$10,000