## Street Kids International

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## Organization's mandate/goals:

Street Kids International is a non-profit organization founded in Canada in 1988 with the purpose of empowering street kids around the world. By bringing ideas, tools and connections to the people that work with street children and youth, Street Kids International has a global impact far beyond its small size. They focus their experience and creativity on spreading knowledge and practical methods for helping street children and youth to help themselves.

Areas of expertise relevant to 2001 UN Conference on Small Arms: Working with Vulnerable Groups -- Promoting general child welfare

Through a wide variety of programs, Street Kids International engage youth to actively participate in their self-empowerment. Most of Street Kids International's activities involve a high level of interactivity between the youth and the organization. Recently, Street Kids International launched a Business Tool Kit to help kids develop entrepreneurial skills within their local economic environment.