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All projects start with an agreement about their targets, goals, measured by metrics, grant amount, and a timeframe for closing the partnership with Professionals International. A typical timeframe is 4 years and can be reviewed for a continuation based on several factors. Occasionally a project closes before their agreement ends, which illustrates the difficulty of starting sustainable social impact in resource deprived communities.

A photograph of a woman in a patterned headscarf carrying a baby on her back. She is walking on a dirt path with several children. In the background, there is a large, open area with many small, simple structures, likely a refugee camp, under a cloudy sky. The image is overlaid with a semi-transparent blue gradient and decorative diagonal lines in blue, green, and purple.

helping resource-deprived
COMMUNITIES THRIVE



895

individuals participated in classes & trainings

1635

trainings & classes offered to employees & community

2618

earning a local living wage through project partners

683

individuals receiving food support against malnutrition

Creating sustainable economic and social improvement through partnerships with social ventures around the globe in line with United Nations Sustainable Development Goals

367,250

number of trees planted and saplings cultivated

253

kilograms of trash collected and/or recycled



Social Impact:

AGRICULTURE



Bugkalot Coffee Co.

Philippines

BCC has established and operated a coffee plantation with an integrated, end-to-end, agricultural supply chain for several years. 250 individuals are a part of the community cooperative. They currently have around 25 employees and help other local farmers grow coffee plants in hopes to buy back their beans. They experienced a typhoon in the summer but were able to rebuild and repair the facilities that were damaged.



Green Fields Farm & Nursery

Kazakhstan

This project produces soft fruit saplings for regional orchardists and individuals who wish to purchase fruit trees. In addition, their farm is working towards producing asparagus, melons, pumpkins, and other vegetables. They are working on building a community center for gathering and personal development to empower people with hard skills and resources.



Center for Entrepreneurial Food Producers

Indonesia

They exist to train young (under 40 yrs old) food producers in sustainable agribusiness activities. They will train small and medium scale food producers in both production and agribusiness practices. This happens through a 15-week residential apprenticeship on a 22 acre farm located in Indonesia. They partner with local vocational schools as an outlet for training and potential future employees.

Leading with Vision, INSPIRING SUCCESS



Center for Entrepreneurial Food Producers

The Center for Entrepreneurial Food Producers is making a significant impact on the lives of individuals like Eva, a dedicated mother and vegetable seller in a bustling city of 700,000 people. Twice a week, Eva eagerly awaits the arrival of the Center's truck, which unloads 12-15 different vegetables that she has pre-ordered for her makeshift curbside market. Her loyal customers, who often place orders via text, appreciate the convenience of having fresh produce delivered to their doorsteps.

Eva, who relies on this venture for almost half of her income, exemplifies the positive outcomes of the Center's efforts. With the flexibility of delayed payments, she recently managed to pay her children's school fees, highlighting the tangible and immediate impact of this social enterprise on the lives of local entrepreneurs.

Beyond supporting individual sellers like Eva, the Center for Entrepreneurial Food Producers has expanded its reach, supplying produce to seven resellers, including an upscale cafe. The recent collaboration with a certified organic vegetable distributor signifies a growing market presence. The first shipment to Jakarta, the nation's capital, opens doors to new opportunities and expands economic benefits to rural communities surrounding the farm.

Through its commitment to local and organic produce production, the Center is not just fostering a new generation of food producers but also creating jobs and contributing to the economic improvement of rural areas. Their on-site apprenticeship program and farm training possess the transformative potential these resource-deprived communities need for meeting food insecurities and economic relief.

Social Impact:

ENVIRONMENTAL



PanaSea **NEW**

Panama

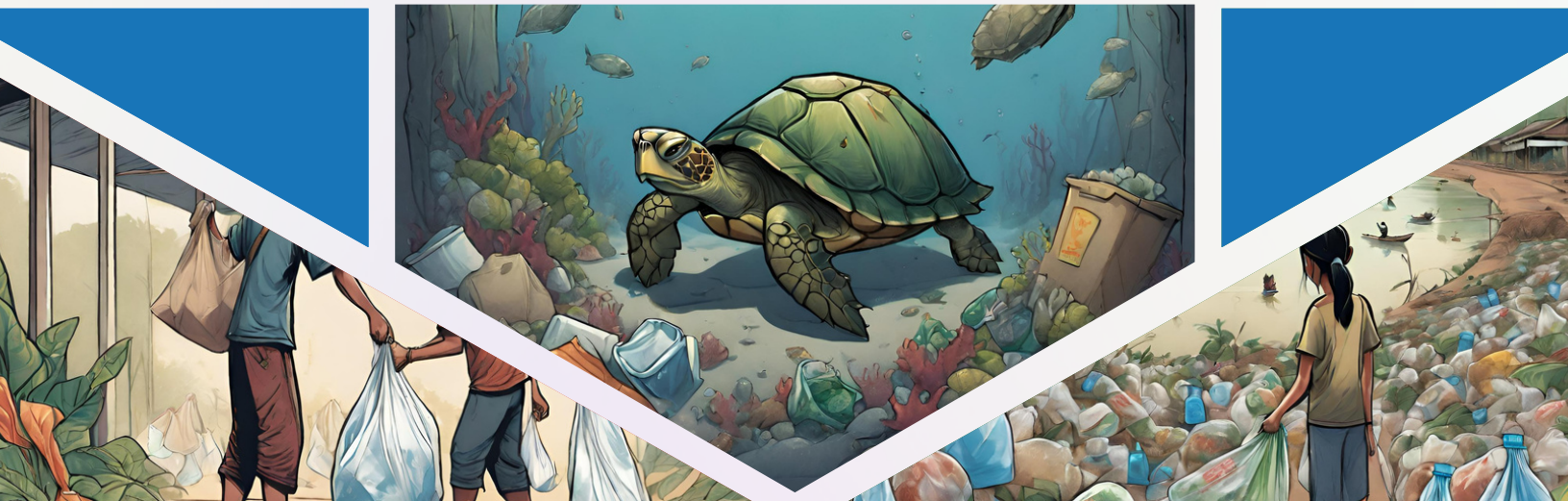
This sustainable marine aquaculture company cultivates, harvests, and repopulates sea cucumbers on the Caribbean Coast of Colón. Also, they seek the recovery of coastal marine habitats such as mangroves and reefs, fauna such as iguanas, sea turtles and macaws. Additional activities include beach cleaning days and placing marked garbage collection sites.



Waste Transformers **NEW**

Indonesia

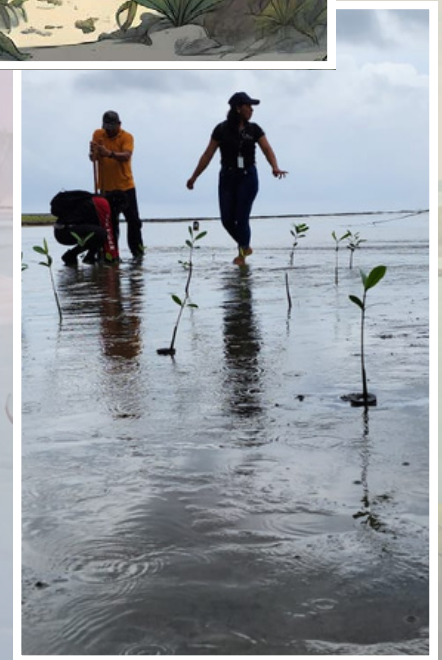
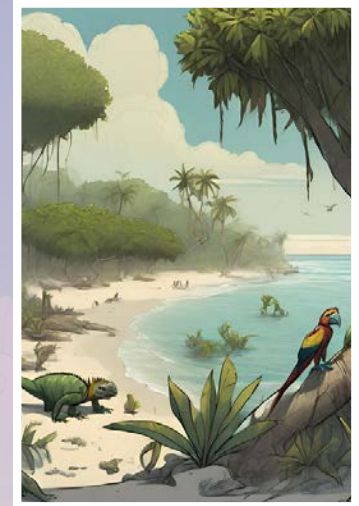
They are focused on creating efficient, sustainable, and reliable waste management solutions to protect Indonesia's diverse ecosystem and communities. They collect different plastics to upcycle into different products. Organic waste is taken and processed by black soldier fly larvae (BSFL). The BSFL is then sold to fish and livestock farmers as alternative feed options.



PANASEA

New Beginnings

BETTER PLANET FOR ALL



25 Biology students from a US university visited the organization, planted 200 mangroves, and cleaned up a local beach - removing 50 kg of plastic waste.

PanaSea planted 500 mangroves from their nursery with the help of the Ministry of Environment and over 50 volunteers from local companies and communities.

Social Impact:

EDUCATION



Himalayan Education Center

NEW

Nepal

Their education center for children and youth provides necessary resources such as safe housing, meals, and local help to this underdeveloped and deprived area. The center provides this essential access to clean water, good food, and quality sleep in a clean and dry environment. They also provide scholarships which are given to children who are at high risk for trafficking or family neglect.



Prakasam Coaching Center

India

This project is an after-school program focused on boosting the literacy and reducing the dropout rate of underprivileged rural children living near the Western Ghats mountains of India by providing transportation, homework help, computer, tailoring, and English language training. They also assist students with school supplies, tuition assistance, and food support in the form of snack and/or groceries to curb malnutrition.



South Asian English Institute

India

They provide quality English instruction at affordable rates to people of all ages to speak English better and faster and be prepared to pass the IELTS exam (International English Language Testing System). These skills will open the door for better educational and employment opportunities. They offer free English clubs as well as scholarships to low-income and scheduled caste individuals.

Social Impact:

EDUCATION



Village Library System

Indonesia

Village Library System operates a system of village libraries or “reading posts” in central Sumatra (Indonesia). These provide not only easy access to books, but also act as mini-community centers where their partners and volunteers encourage children and adults to read, tutor, help with homework, and facilitate community transformation.



Village Library System

Helping Children to Read

Kinara (11) was still sounding out each letter when she was reading which made reading difficult. Village Library System (VLS) met with her twice a week to teach her how to read and now she is able to read without any assistance.

Muji (8) was unable to read. He was labeled as lazy and stupid. They encouraged Muji and helped him learn 5 letters of the alphabet at a time. He conquered all 26 letters and progressed to syllables and words, proving his capability.

Zeno (10) wasn't able to read all of the letters of the alphabet. Through personal tutoring, he is now able to spell 5-letter words and has improved in reading.

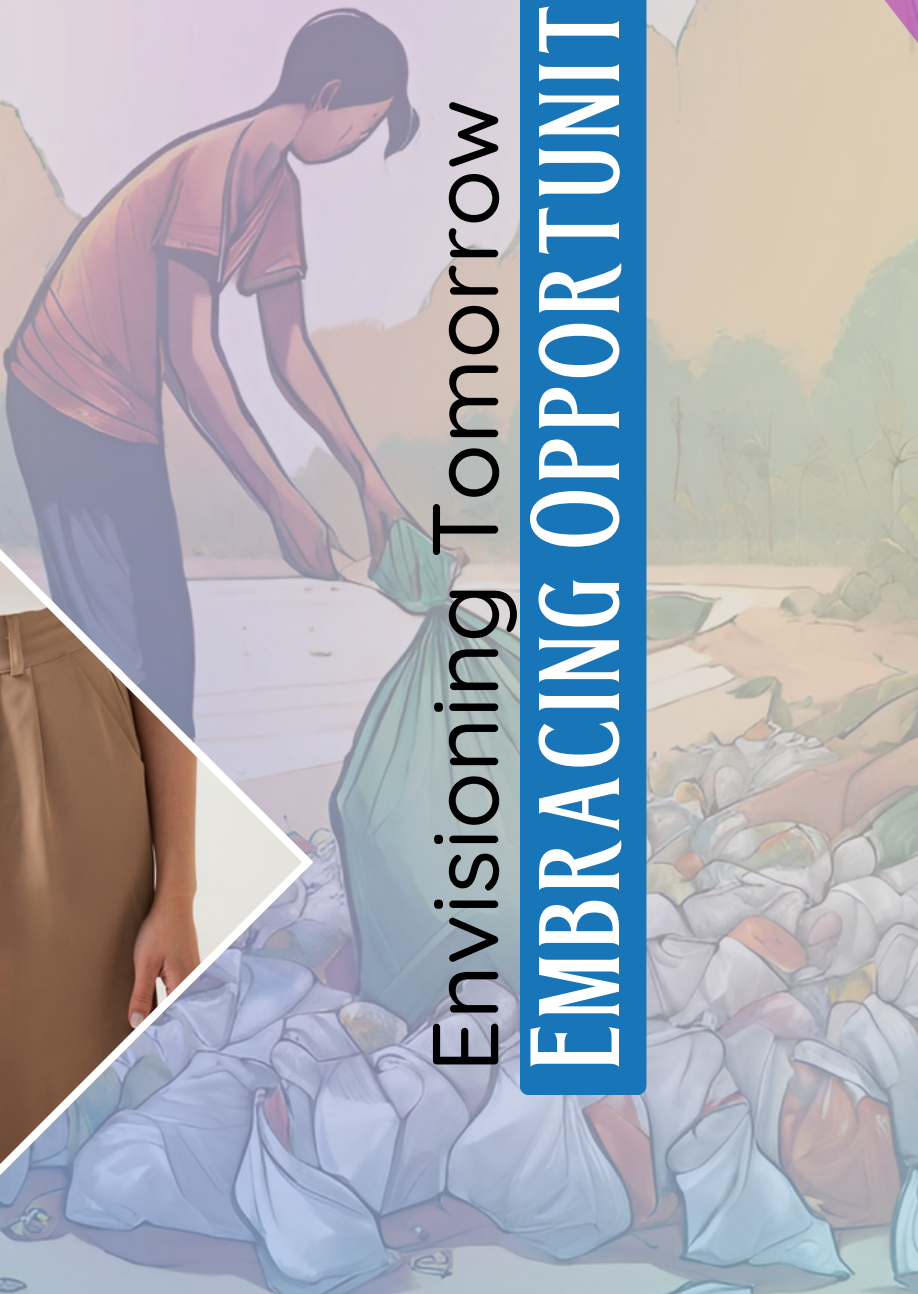
Salim and Dewi (7) weren't able to read or recognize any letters. After a few lessons, they were able to read a few syllables. They were given some resources to practice on their own at home.

MADE NEW

Single use bags litter the landscape of Laos. However, transformation occurs as they are collected, washed, processed into thread, woven into useable fabric, and sown to create useable goods like handbags and totes.

Envisioning Tomorrow

EMBRACING OPPORTUNITIES



Social Impact:

PRODUCT SOLUTIONS



Made New **NEW**

Laos

Made New combines the ancient craftsmanship and wisdom of Laos with modern tech and design to transform single use waste (i.e. plastic bags) into high value household products (i.e. fabric goods). They encourage others from littering plastic bags by purchasing from collectors, educating others on the harm of burning plastic, and selling their finished products at local markets and fairs.



Sea Cucumber Farm

Indonesia

This project seeks to bring life to coastal communities through innovation, sustainability, partnerships, and joy in mariculture. They assist communities of traditional fishermen to successfully farm seafood products, specifically, the sea cucumber. They bred fingerlings in their own hatchery, grow them in ocean cages (their own as well as independent growers), and dry mature cucumbers to be sold at market.



Integrated Farm

Kyrgyzstan

They process animal manure in a bio-digester which produces organic fertilizer to restore depleted farmland, and renewable fuel (methane) for heat and cooking. They demonstrate to farmers a more ecological, effective, and profitable way. Their current main product is producing bio-fertilizer to be sold to local farmers. Several farmers are experimenting with their product and have already seen great results.

Social Impact:

PRODUCT SOLUTIONS



Toj Tabii Juice Production

Tajikistan

TojTabii is working to establish a network of independent regional juice producers who are producing high quality, natural fruit juice while packaging and selling under one brand. They currently function out of their own facility with a few machines for sorting, juicing, and packaging their natural juice made from tons of second hand fruit. It reduces local waste as well as creates jobs from the sales of their juice.



Sulamina Chocolate

Indonesia

Sulamina Chocolate resources fair trade local farmers and promotes best agricultural practices that leads to making and selling chocolate products. Through consignment agreements and microloans, partnering with local farmers, providing management and carpentry training, and giving out plant seedlings to synergize the companies needs for particular fruit, they are empowering locals to see and embrace opportunities.



Using Waste Materials, SEEING HOPEFUL CHANGE



Integrated Farm (ICA)

Integrated Farm uses its Research and Development drive to find local sustainable solutions to improve the environment. Their efforts are seeing real results.

Sergei, a seasoned agronomist in his 70s, has long been prescribing fertilizer remedies for nut trees, fruits, vegetables, and field crops. Alarmed by the escalating crisis of soil degradation, Sergei shifted his focus towards bio-products imported from Russia, yet the steep price posed a challenge. When he discovered ICA's in-country biofertilizer production, offering a cost-effective solution, he was ecstatic.

Enter Natalya, a microbiologist also in her 70s, referred by Sergei. Working at the Kyrgyz National University Academy of Sciences, Natalya echoed Sergei's enthusiasm for the locally produced biofertilizer, seeing it as the key to rejuvenating barren farmland.

In the realm of practical application, Isxar, an ethnic Dungan farmer, witnessed a breakthrough on his sorghum fields. Comparing biofertilizer to conventional chemical options, the bio-alternative outperformed by an astonishing 62%. Isxar, now a staunch advocate, plans to extend the use of biofertilizer to his personal fields, marking a ground breaking shift in the market.

Similarly, Javdet, an ethnic Turk farmer, experienced a 40% boost in alfalfa harvest by embracing biofertilizer. The surplus income empowered him to invest in greenhouses and young bulls for beef fattening, showcasing the transformative power of sustainable agricultural practices.

Together, Sergei, Natalya, Isxar, and Javdet are examples in the movement towards eco-friendly farming, fostering resilience and prosperity in their local agricultural landscape.

Social Impact:

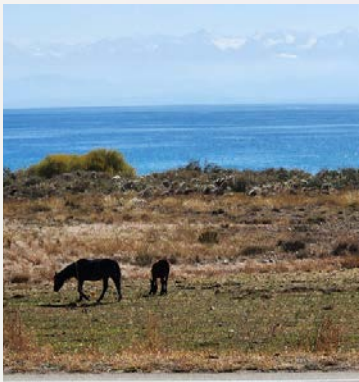
TOURISM



Wild Sumatra Eco-Tourism

Indonesia

This project works with rural communities to empower local guides, helping connect them with off-the-beaten-path adventurers looking for authentic trekking and cultural experiences in the Bengkulu region. They've expanded their efforts to include sustainable coffee production and agricultural research and development. Their farming practices utilize eco-friendly methods of weed and pest control.



FatherLand Ethno Tourism

Kazakhstan

They are an ethno-tourism showcase project on an entire block of shorefront land in the heart of Lake Issyk Kul, an area designated for tourism development. Their goal is to help develop attractive and sustainable tourism experiences without harming or changing the beautiful landscape. This includes eco-friendly toilet waste systems and RV-style Yurts.



Transoxiana Outfitters **NEW**

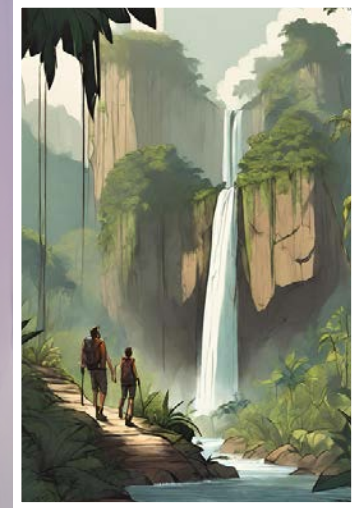
Tajikistan

Transoxiana Outfitters handles logistical, guiding, and hospitality matters for a variety of types of expeditions undertaken in Tajikistan. As a new project, they've worked on securing a storefront, getting registered along with appropriate legal licenses, and promoting tourist opportunities throughout the year.

WILD SUMATRA ECO-TOURISM

Eco-Tourism + Eco-Farming

SUSTAINABLE PROSPERITY



They added 800+ ducks in the areas of their coffee trees so as they free range, they are eating snails and parasitic plants and fertilizing the ground.

The completion of their guest house is a perfect place to embrace the beautiful oasis before trekking to see the natural landscape of trees, waterfalls, and volcanos.

Social Impact:

HEALTH



Maglaj SkatePark

Boznia & Herzegovina

After completing the skatepark in late 2022, it continues to provide a safe recreational area for youth and families. Their new and upcoming projects include painting a mural in the children's wing of the pediatric department of the Health Center in Maglaj, and contribute to the repair of a metal Skate Park in Sarajevo with another organization.



Healthy Lifestyle Coaching **NEW**

Indonesia

Healthy Lifestyle Coaching Indonesia provides direct health coaching services to the community and offers training and certification programs for individuals aspiring to become health coaches. Their vision is simple - to foster a healthier Indonesia, one client and one health coach at a time. Even as a new project, they've already seen client make significant health changes with sleep, nutrition, exercise, and stress management.



HIV Care

India

This on-going project provides holistic care and support to men, women, and children impacted by HIV/AIDS in India as well as medical care assistance such as lab tests and vaccines to those in need. Medical camps at orphan homes provide basic medical check-ups and needed immunizations. Over the years, they have been able to see healthy children born to HIV parents. This brings hope for continued progress against this horrible disease.

Social Impact:

WORKING TOGETHER



Freedom Hub

Nepal

The Freedom Hub seeks to support the work of Himalayan Freedom Co. by developing a support center/guest house as a “hub” for future offices established in Nepal. It will create further exposure, awareness, and reach of the business’ work as guests experience human trafficking prevention in action and become customers or advocates beyond their stay. Construction should begin in early 2024.



Latitudes

Global to USA Marketplace

Latitudes exists to market and advocate for artisan-based small businesses around the world, particularly in poverty stricken regions. Each of these small businesses are invested in their local communities and seek to impact those with the greatest need for empowerment, advocacy, and opportunity. It currently partners with 22 businesses across the globe. It purchases items to resell online and in two storefront locations in the US.



Philemon House **NEW**

Kyrgyzstan

Philemon House is a bed-and-breakfast that provides a quiet oasis for travelers visiting the region and beyond. The guesthouse is a support service for volunteers who are addressing many social needs/problems such as orphan care and adoption, homelessness, and consultation. They recently partnered with a foundation to house orphan girls who are aging out of the existing support system.

Social Impact:

WORKING TOGETHER



Co-Working Space India



full social impact summary at prosintl.org/past-projects

Starting in April 2018, The Maker's Space launched a members-only, innovative workspace, seeking to cater to the creative entrepreneur and freelancing community in India, who are often looked down upon, especially women. They desired to do this by stimulating the growth of their members' skills and experiences in their professional fields through networking, collaboration, and developmental training events.



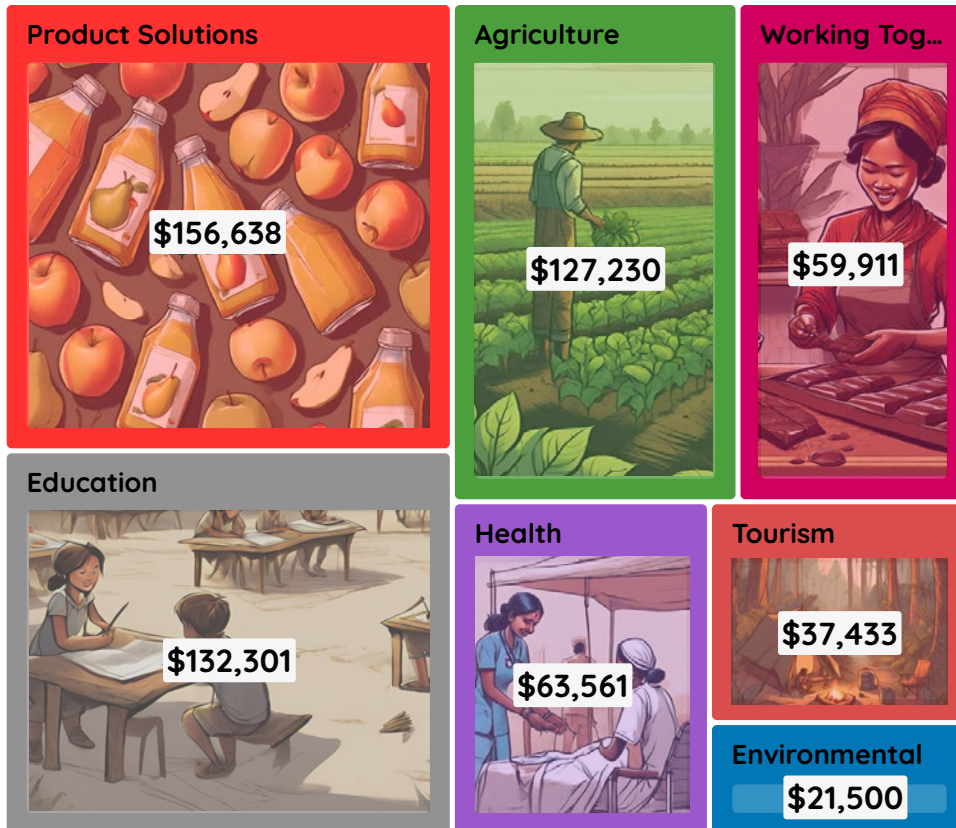
Co-Working Space

Co-encouraging Space

Over the course of 4.5 years of launching, they saw 238 people visit or become members of the co-working space. They averaged 25 members, of which 13 were women. The encouragement and equipping that occurred during the networking events were moments of catalytic change for some members. Providing steady, consistent services and showing up daily with open avenues for conversation, resulted in members seeking out advice in many areas of life. A major pain point for members is the feeling of being misunderstood by family, especially parents. The co-working space provided a working environment and much more.

Maker's Space continues to make a difference in their region and local communities. The project finished with Professionals International in December 2023 as it finished up its latest agreement and became self-sustaining.

Financial TRANSPARENCY



Contributed Support
\$598,574

Operations Expense
\$90,936

Project Funds Spent
\$490,094

Professionals International (PRINT) is committed to financial accountability and transparency. You can find our full financial profile at Guide Star (<https://www.guidestar.org/profile/20-2016266>)

All board members are non-compensated and highly valued community leaders with diverse experiences in the realm of Finance, Business Development, HR and Non-Profits.

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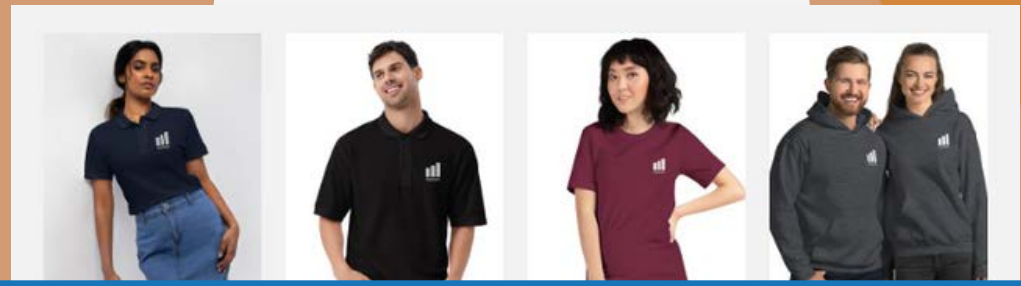


Online Store

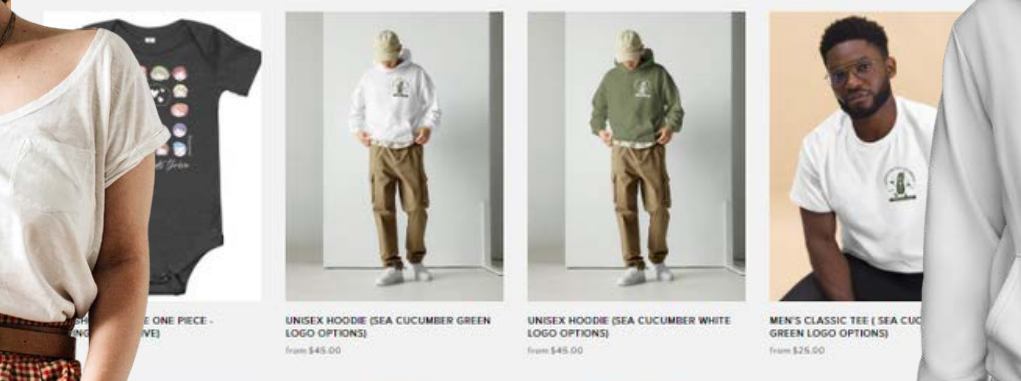
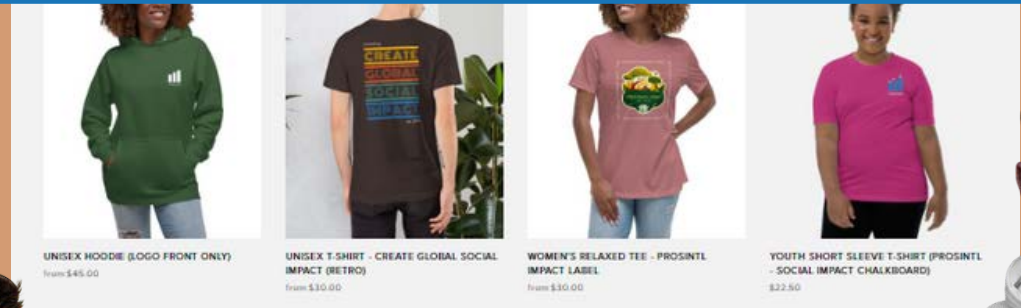
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