

Constitution of Helping Overcome Obstacles Peru (Austria)

Governing Statement and Mission statement for Helping Overcome Obstacles Peru (Austria)

The purpose of Helping Overcome Obstacles Peru (Austria) (HOOP Austria) is to lift people out of poverty by advancing the education of the pupils and their families at the Escuela de Ingles de HOOP, located at la Manzana R Lote 1, Flora Tristán, Cerro Colorado, Arequipa, Peru. HOOP Austria assists in the provision of those facilities for education at the school which are not provided by the Ministerio de Educacion de Peru. The school is run by Helping Overcome Obstacles Peru (HOOP Peru), which is a registered NGO in Peru, Charity Number 11213306. HOOP Peru works on sustainable education, health and business programmes aiming to break the cycle of poverty by enhancing education in the Flora Tristán and surrounding communities. Funds raised by HOOP Austria will be sent to HOOP in Arequipa in order to provide equipment, teaching materials and staff at the school and to fund the operation of the charity offices in Arequipa.

HOOP Austria supports HOOP Peru through financial contributions, awareness raising, and the recruitment of volunteers to staff the organisation in Peru.

The financial support offered by HOOP Austria allows HOOP Peru to maintain its programs to lift the people of Flora Tristán out of poverty by enhancing their education. Funds raised by HOOP Austria go towards maintenance costs of the school building, staff salaries, volunteer coordination, teaching equipment, maintaining a small office in Arequipa, and various administrative costs.

With this support, HOOP Peru is able to offer an after-school program to enhance the education of young people in Flora Tristán. The program consists of one hour of English classes, five times per week. This is followed by 45 minutes of either homework help or sports activities. HOOP Peru has a scholarship program to allow the brightest students to attend a private day school with the aim of being able to enter higher education.

HOOP Peru's programs are developed to enhance English, general education and build the confidence of students. HOOP Peru assists students throughout their school careers, giving them additional confidence, education and skills to secure steady employment or enter higher education and break free of poverty forever.

In addition, since most of the mothers in the community did not advance beyond

primary education, HOOP Peru offers classes for parents in English, business and personal finance so they can better manage their income and pursue new opportunities to secure a stable livelihood for their families.

With medical costs being prohibitively expensive for many families, HOOP Peru offers education in preventative health such as personal health, dental care, food hygiene and nutrition. In addition, by partnering with doctors and dentists, HOOP Peru provides regular health check-ups to students and their families. These preventative health initiatives help minimise families' need to divert their limited incomes towards medical expenses, thus providing additional support in HOOP Peru's goal of breaking the cycle of poverty in Flora Tristán.

HOOP Peru is run with the help of volunteers from all over the world, with the majority originating in Europe. HOOP Austria allows people in Austria and elsewhere in Europe to support the work of HOOP Peru through fundraising and advocacy.