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AmazonSmile for E@E 's gift matching all these years. Unfortunately this year will be the last year that AmazonSmile will be doing gift-matching to non-profit organizations.

E@E received **\$145** last year from AmazonSmile. This represents a 50% increase from the \$101 we received the previous year. This gift matching supported the entire school for five (5) days of schooling and food on the Tibetan plateau.

If your company does gift matching for non-profit organizations, we would love to get hear from you.

Corporate Gift Matching includes:



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Annual Report 2022 - 2023



Education At Elevation
Mission: Enriching the Lives of Impoverished **Children and Elderly** in Eastern Tibet.

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Letter from our founder

Dear Friends,

Greetings and *tashi delek* (greetings in Tibetan) to you and your family on behalf of Sonam Rinpoche. We were very thankful and felt very fortunate to finally have a chance to receive teaching and blessing from Sonam Rinpoche in person in October/November this year.



Photo (L) Sonam Rinpoche in Oahu, Hawaii, October 2023.

Sonam Rinpoche turned 50 years old in June this year and his students in Malaysia has organized a birthday celebration in Malaysia. We've attached video clips of the kids from the school singing a birthday song in Tibetan to Sonam Rinpoche. You don't want to miss out on watching these adorable videos!

News! Thank you for your generosity, E@E has provided new scholarships to several young adults, mostly women, from the Tibetan refugee camps attending colleges in India to support their accommodation, books and living expenses. We couldn't have done this without your continual support. A big Thank You from the bottom of our hearts.

Lastly, as travel has resumed to its pre-pandemic level, we wish you and your loved ones a peaceful and safe holiday season.

With deep gratitude and hugs,
Wendy Wong, PE,
Education At Elevation, founder

Budget and Expenses Projection for Next Year

Fiscal year from July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024

This year budget includes the regular sponsors for education, food, clothing, shelter for the children and seniors at Nga Gyur Shed Dup Cho Ling school in Eastern Tibet; in addition to sponsoring scholarship for 8 young adults from Tibetan refugee camps.

The budget below was passed on Dec 7th, 2023.

	2023/2024 Budget	Last year 2022/23 Actual Expenses	Remarks
Expenses			
License / filling fees	20	20	
Program services - school for needy children and seniors	13,000	12,375	
Printing/postage	100	100	PO box rental
Scholarships to young adults	5,000	2,513	
Paypal charges	60	55	Credit card transactions
Total	18,180	15,063	

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THANK YOU for volunteering!

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News from the school

Lotus Film Festival, March 17th and 18th, 2023



E@E, in partnership with Chenrezig Project, presented two days of films, talks, and discussions on peace, compassion and Tibetan Buddhist culture at Edmonds Waterfront Center. Thank you to Sonam Rinpoche and Mark Winwood for answering questions and explaining about the films at the end of each movie.

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Direct web links for:

Children singing birthday song in Tibetan – [Video recordings here.](#)

The Power of Kindness - [Photos and video recordings here.](#)

Lotus Film Festival, Edmonds - [Photos and video recordings here.](#)

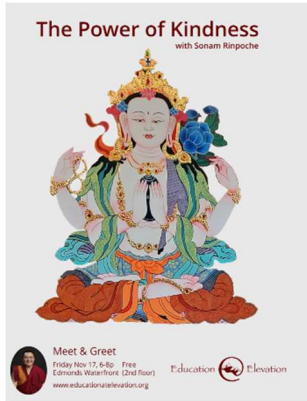
All links can also be reached from the home page on www.EducationAtElevation.org

Disadvantaged children: We have around 15 students attending during the school year and close to thirty students attending during the government/public school's holiday breaks. The teachers' contract is one year long and renewed around new year of each year. Thank you for your support, E@E has helped to sponsor all the school expenses and teachers' salary for the needy kids since 2007.

Seniors in need: Due to the freezing weather from October to May, the nomads have moved to lower land with their yaks to wait out for the winter months. The school Nga Gyur Shed Dup Cho Ling has continued, for the third year now, to provide a warm shelter, food and education for the seniors during this period. We are so grateful that E@E can improve the quality for these seniors who otherwise would not get an opportunity for learning arts, crafts, and dharma study.



Top: Kids sang Happy Birthday song with cream on their faces. The recording was later sent to Sonam Rinpoche for his birthday celebration.
Bottom: A session at senior class. Photo taken in Winter 2022/2023.



Activities in Washington Nov 2023

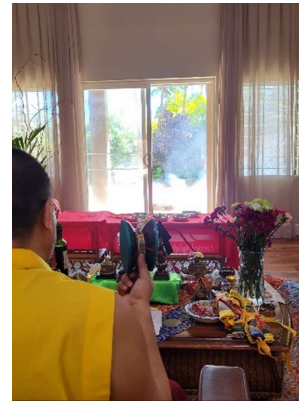


Photos (above) The Power of Kindness- Meet & greet with Sonam Rinpoche. Edmonds Waterfront Center, WA on Nov 17, 2023



Photo (bottom) Retreat with Sonam Rinpoche at Lake Wenatchee, WA on Nov 2nd to 6th, 2023.

Smoke Puja Oahu, Hawaii, Oct 26, 2023



➤ 50th Birthday Celebration for Sonam Rinpoche



Senior students learned to assemble mandala offerings. Mandala is a traditional offering in accordance with Tibetan Vajrayana Buddhism.

When we offer a **mandala**, as heaps of rice or gems, these are symbols representing a visualized cosmos, offering the whole universe to all the

Buddhas. Reference [Mandala Offering | Palyul.org](https://www.palyul.org/mandala-offering)



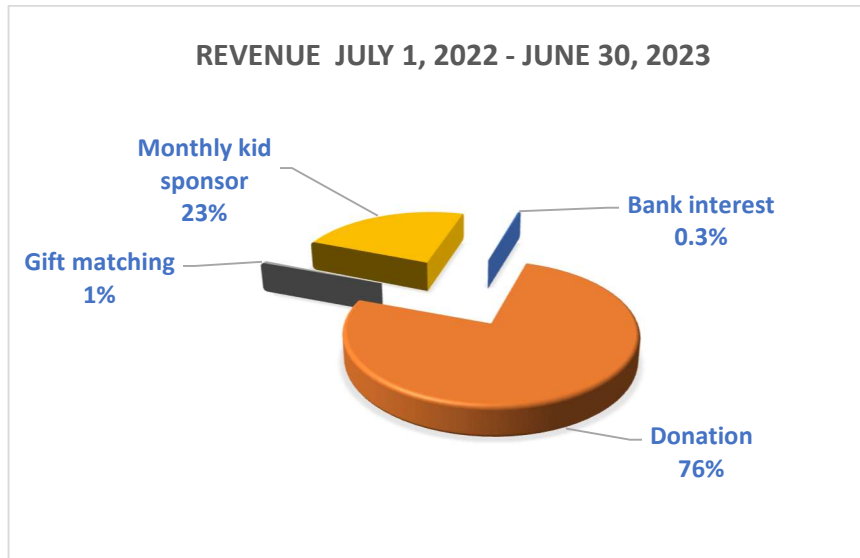
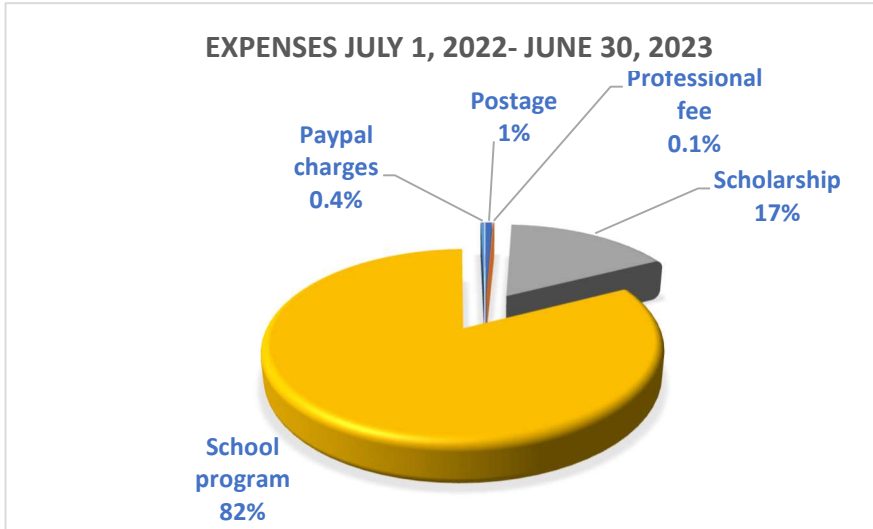
A well-deserved party after a very long pandemic lockdown especially in Asia. The students in Malaysia took the opportunity to celebrate in June 2023 for Sonam Rinpoche **half-century** birthday -a significant birthday milestone!

We also wish Sonam Rinpoche a long life and good health. We appreciate and thank you so much for your guidance and teaching.



Financial

Consolidated Statement of Activities



Fiscal year from July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023			
		2022-2023	2021-2022
Revenue and support		\$	\$
	General donations	18,857	10,008
	Holiday drive		-
	Bank interest	66	5
	Gift matching (AmazonSmile)	145	101
	Monthly child sponsorship	5,770	3,881
		24,838	13,995
Expenses			
	Program services - School program	12,375	10,559
	Printing/postage	100	100
	Professional fees/License fees	20	18
	Paypal charges	55	-
	Senior housing renovation	-	15,335
	Scholarships, note 1	2,513	
		15,063	26,012
Net Assets			
	Beginning	13,451	25,468
	Ending	23,226	13,451

Note 1: There are a total of 7 scholarships given for the 2023/24 school year but only five scholarships were recorded in 2022/23 fiscal year (above). The remaining two scholarship transactions (\$1,000) were transferred in early July of 2023, after the end of the fiscal year. This will therefore be recorded in the upcoming 2023/24 fiscal year.