



“A child is not a toy to be discarded, a child is a life to be treasured ”



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Conference On Deinstitutionalisation Of Children :Overcoming Challenges And Tribulations



Conference on Deinstitutionalisation of Children : Overcoming Challenges and Tribulations was officiated by HRH Sultanah of Pahang, Sultanah Hajjah Kalsom D.K. on 10th and 11th of December 2015 in Pullman Hotel, Bangsar Kuala Lumpur. The conference was also attended by YB Senator Datin Paduka Chew Mei Fun, Deputy Minister of Woman, Family and Community Development



This year marked HRH's second year as patron of OrphanCARE after having attended the first DI Forums, HRH said she was looking forward to the progress that has been made - a culmination of hard work and commitment from everyone. HRH touched on the theme of the conference, Overcoming Challenges and Tribulation, and she said this was a crucial stage in continuing to reform Malaysia's children system. It may be small steps, but these small steps taken are in the right direction, and with government support, HRH is confident that more can be achieved.

Over 200 participants joined in discussions to raise awareness in the community about issues pertaining to reintegration and adoption of orphans and shared best practices from other countries.

“An orphanage should only be a transit point for children, as only a family environment can fully provide a child with the basic needs required”

-Tan Sri Faizah Mohd Tahir-



The speakers and panel of experts included Sir Roger Singleton (Managing Director LUMOS) who shares the impacts of an institutionalised life and the harm caused by institutionalisation, Mr Robert Glover (Care For Children, UK), Mr Andy Lilicrap (Project manager and Social Work Advisor One Sky Foundation), Dr Kanya Eka Santi (Head of Bandung College of Social Welfare, University of Bandung Indonesia), Dr Amna bt Md Noor (Senior Lecturer, Faculty of Human Ecology, University Putra Malaysia), Mr Tata Sudrajat (Program Director Families First Signature, Save the Children Indonesia), Ms Lari Cannon (Trainer, Adoption and Foster Care Specialists, OrphanCare Foundation) and Mr Quek Kia Ann (Department of Social Welfare Malaysia).





Soft Launch Baby Hatch Sungai Petani

YB Dato' Suraya Yaacob, Member Of Kedah State Executive Council launched Orphancare baby Hatch Sungai Petani Kedah set up at 4400, Lorong Serampang 2/1, Taman Ria Jaya, Sungai Petani, 08000, Kedah Darul Aman. Tan Sri Faizah, Chairman of Orphancare stressed that with the baby hatches available, there is no reason to abandon or do other inhumane acts to babies as they have a right to life.

“the role of the foundation is to ensure the safety of abandoned babies and give them a chance to be loved, cared for and raised in a family”

- Tan Sri Faizah Mohd Tahir -



Soft Launch Baby Room

Orphancare's Baby Room was launched on 13th October 2015 by Orphancare Chairman, Tan Sri Faizah Mohd Tahir. The facility was sponsored by Jonaron Foundation for the comfort of the babies saved by Orphancare Foundation.

Orphancare Adoptive Parents Training

Orphancare Adoptive Parents Training was held by Orphancare Foundation for potential adoptive parents who wish to adopt through Orphancare Foundation. The training workshop were facilitate by Orphancare counsellor; Adoption & Foster Care Therapist, Consultant and Trainer, Ms Lari Baty Cannon and Orphancare trustees and staff. Among the topics that are discussed in the training are : brain development and sensory, Adoption Process, Attachment and Bonding, Children's safety in the home and 10 things every birth mother wants adoptive parents to know.



Orphancare awareness activities and visits

Orphancare regularly receives visits from students and corporates. In these visits, they are given awareness talks on the Orphancare missions, reproductive health talks and also shown how the baby hatch works.



ORPHANCARE ACHIEVEMENTS

**15 older children from various orphanages were adopted via OC
137 "abandoned" babies have been adopted between 2010 - now
83 babies were placed with biological mothers after counselling
2962 parents have registered as prospective adoptive parents
752 couples have successfully undergone the screening process
and placed in the waiting list for babies**



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Orphancare memorandum of collaboration with KPJ

Whereby babies placed in KPJ Hatches are handed over to OC for adoption by loving parents



KPJ Tawakkal



KPJ Seremban



KPJ Penang



Kuantan Specialist



KPJ Damansara Specialist



KPJ Ipoh Specialist



KPJ Johor specialist



KPJ Perdana specialist



EVERY CHILD NEEDS A FAMILY