

Summit To Success, Inc.

With opportunity comes obligation. Together, We Climb. One child, one community, one nation at a time.

Founder Proximity Disclosure – Early Partner Communities

Purpose

This document records founder proximity to early partner schools and communities involved in Summit To Success, Inc.'s initial programs. The purpose is to provide transparency regarding **why certain partners were selected during the organization's launch phase**, while affirming that Summit's protocols and safeguards were followed.

Although all decisions were made in good faith and executed in a fair, documented, and above-board manner, the Founder determined that **formal disclosure was appropriate as a governance best practice** to reduce perceived risk, strengthen optics, and support long-term credibility as Summit's work scales.

Disclosed Relationship #1 – School Partner

School Name: Gorkha English Boarding School

Location: Pokhara, Nepal

Nature of Proximity (Context Only):

The Founder has longstanding family and community connections to Gorkha English Boarding School. The school is located within the Founder's neighborhood, and the Founder's family has been part of the surrounding community since the school's founding. Several family members have attended the school over the years.

Selection Context:

Gorkha English Boarding School was selected as an early partner in part due to familiarity, accessibility, and logistical convenience during Summit To Success's initial launch phase.

Process and Safeguards:

All scholarship and program-related decisions followed Summit's established protocols in effect at the time. No individual selection, scoring, or allocation decisions were influenced by personal or family relationships.

Going Forward:

This proximity is formally documented. For any future programs involving this school, the Founder will follow the Founder & Beneficiary Proximity Addendum, including disclosure and recusal where required. Decisions will be handled by non-conflicted reviewers or governance bodies.

Disclosed Relationship #2 – Community Partner

Community / Partner Lead: Rachel Lagumby

Location: Cebu, Philippines

Nature of Proximity (Context Only):

Prior to the formation of Summit To Success, Inc., the Founder had an existing relationship with the Cebu community through Rachel Lagumby, who previously worked with the Founder as a virtual assistant. In addition, the Founder personally provided consistent financial support to the community (approximately \$100 per month) for several years following the COVID period.

Selection Context:

The Cebu community was selected for Summit To Success's first care package pilots due to existing trust, familiarity, and operational convenience during the organization's early launch phase.

Process and Safeguards:

All program planning, procurement, and distribution activities followed Summit's established protocols. No donor, personal, or external influence affected beneficiary selection, quantities, or allocation decisions.

Going Forward:

This relationship is formally documented. Future programs involving this community will continue to follow Summit's governance safeguards, including disclosure and recusal where applicable, with decisions handled by non-conflicted parties.

Statement of Governance Practice

These disclosures document **selection context and optics considerations**, not procedural deviation. Summit To Success recognizes that early-stage programs often begin with known and trusted communities. As governance structures mature, the organization applies additional documentation and safeguards to reinforce independence, transparency, and public trust.

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