Mobility is more than Movement

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More than anything, mobility is hope, dignity and independence.

17,637  CoolKids treated since 2003

$250  Average cost per Joshi prosthetic limb

Ten  Program Partners

Nine  Countries:
Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Cambodia, Colombia, India, Indonesia, Nepal, Pakistan, Somaliland

Income  66% - less than $3 per day/per patient h/h
33% - between $3 - $10 per day/per patient h/h
1%  - more than $10 per day/per patient h/h

(h/h = household)
Mobility

Children with untreated limb disabilities are unable to move independently. On average, a child in the developing world has to travel 1-3 miles to the nearest school. There is no physical way that a child with an untreated disability can physically make the trip each day. As such, 90% of children with disabilities in the developing world never attend school.

Education

Without an education, adolescents with untreated disabilities are limited to below-poverty levels of income or none at all. Many turn to dangerous options like begging for money on the street or collecting toxic plastics from landfills.

Livelihood

The ability to sustain themselves, take care of a family or even be accepted in their community is stripped away when a child with a limb disability goes untreated. Without support or opportunity, these children are left with little hope for a self-sufficient future.
It's the little things we take for granted.

For ALTSO's CoolKids, mobility is so much more than movement, more than flexibility, or getting from point A to point B. Imagine not being able to independently:

- Clean Yourself
- Clothe Yourself
- Feed Yourself
- Relieve Yourself
- Read & Write
- Access Information
- Be Creative
- Be Social
Ten months after losing her limb in a traumatic vehicle accident, six year old Sreyly was up and running again during her first fitting in her new Joshi modular prosthetic limb. Now Sreyly walks to school with friends and neighbors.
The Joshi
A Year in Review

In 2017 ALTSO introduced the Joshi - a high-quality modular prosthetic limb that meets international standards for pediatric and adolescent amputees.

The Joshi’s unique objective is to provide more high-quality prosthetic options to children whose families cannot afford treatment in the developing world.

To launch the product in 2017 we provided Joshis to six of our Program Partners. Our CoolKids love the cool look of The Joshi and rave about how comfortable and lightweight the Joshi feels, which makes it easier for them to walk further distances on tough terrains.

In 2019, ALTSO will be working to improve the efficiency of the Joshi knee. The Joshi production process will be streamlined, allowing us to effectively distribute to more CoolKids in need.

Meet Youm

Youn received his first Joshi after a traumatic, near-death accident when he was hit by an oncoming train in rural Cambodia. After the accident, Youm found passion, hope, and a sense of unity playing the sport of sitting volleyball.

Through his natural athleticism and determination, Youm worked to join the Cambodian National Men's Team. In 2018 Youm and his team competed on the world stage at the 2018 PyeongChang Paralympic Winter Games in South Korea.
Bhupendra received his first prosthetic limb in 2006. Now 20 years old, Bhupendra has received more than 24 prostheses and is set to graduate university with a degree in chemistry.

In 2018, we increased the age of patients treated to 21 in honor of Bhupendra.
According to World Health Organization (WHO), 70 million people worldwide are in need of wheelchairs. In the developing world, people often rely on hospital-style wheelchairs - designed for temporary use.

For wheelchair users, who spend a minimum of 8 - 10 hours in their chair, a properly fitting wheelchair is essential to avoiding secondary health complications, not to mention increased quality of life.

To provide high-quality, appropriate fitted wheelchairs for our CoolKids, ALTSO began partnering with Consolidating Logistics for Assistive Technology Supply and Provision (CLASP) - a USAID-funded project implemented by UCP Wheels for Humanity.

Our CoolKids now have access to adjustable wheelchairs suited for their individual needs and the environments in which they live.

Meet Asih

Talented, intelligent and independent are just a few words that describe Asih. Over the past seven years, we've watched her grow into a mature young woman, ready to take on the world. Asih aspires to become a university lecturer, but is unsure on a specialty.

One thing's for sure - in her new, high-quality wheelchair, Asih is a role model that will empower generations to come.
Mobility Rocks

In 2011, we met Seyha, a timid nine-year old who was self-conscious about her appearance. Now confident and driven, Seyha is at the top of her class with an ambition to rock her language skills as a United Nations translator.
Take Action. Give Mobility.

Your support provides orthopedic care for children whose families could never afford treatment. The gift of mobility provides access to education, independence, and future employment for our next generation of world changers.

One Time Donation

Visit www.altso.org/donate to donate via credit card or bank transfer. Please make checks payable to A Leg To Stand On and mail to our address 401 Park Ave S, 10th Floor, New York, NY 10016.

CoolKid Club

Visit www.altso.org/donate to become a member of the CoolKid Club. Members' monthly donations ensure that ALTSO's CoolKids keep moving forward. Thank you for your commitment to providing ongoing treatment to ALTSO's patients as they continue to grow through the age of 21.

Stock Donation

Donate stock from your E*Trade account by transferring directly to ALTSO. Download the form here using Account Name: ALTSO, Account #: 6788-3712 and ETrade DCT: 0385 (ALTSO is a listed IRS Publication 78).

Johnson & Johnson

Johnson & Johnson has committed to donate up to $20,000 to provide 80 Joshi Prosthetics for ALTSO's CoolKids this year. For every photo uploaded to their Donate a Photo app by December 31st 2018 Johnson & Johnson will donate $1 to ALTSO. Download on iOS or Android.

100% of donations are tax-deductible. ALTSO is a non-profit organization registered in the US with the IRS as a 501(c)(3) with FEIN 02-0594709 and registered in the UK with the Charity Commission as charity #1118048.
What does mobility mean to you?

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