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## 1. PRESENTATION

# Understanding diversity and working towards integration

**INVEST FOR CHILDREN (i4c)** is a non-profit international organization committed to helping differently-abled people and under-privileged children achieve a better quality of life.

i4c works directly with individuals and their families, as well as in collaboration with different Foundations related to health and research, employment, education and sport.

i4c applies Venture Philanthropy, helping other foundations find recurring revenues.

### WHAT IS VENTURE PHILANTHROPY?

Venture Philanthropy (or Risk Philanthropy) is a field of philanthropy where the models of Risk Capital are applied to foundations and non-profit organizations.



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### **MISSION STATEMENT**

The mission of Invest for children is to help differently-abled people and under-privileged children achieve a better quality of life. i4c works directly with individuals and their families, as well as in collaboration with different Foundations related to health and research, employment, education and sport.

### **OBJECTIVES AND PURPOSE**

### We want a society that integrates diversity.

The objective of i4c is to support the social integration of differently-abled people, especially children and youth.

- i4c promotes and offers programmes to achieve social and work placement inclusion of differently-abled people, including:
  - Educational programmes for differently-abled children and youth.
  - Programmes to create employment for differently-abled individuals.
  - Programmes to promote culture, leisure and sport activities.
  - i4c provides prizes and scholarships to promote educational integration and work placement inclusion.
- i4c supports and collaborates with other foundations that share the same purpose:
  - i4c uses communication campaigns to help grow the activities and work of smaller foundations.
  - i4c provides organizational advice.

- i4c promotes conferences, seminars and panels related to the foundation's purpose.
- i4c publishes reports related to the foundation's purpose.
- i4c promotes social awareness campaigns related to the foundation's purpose.
- i4c supports, collaborates and participates with entities promoting general social movements.

i4c promotes any activities that help achieve and fulfill the foundation's purpose.



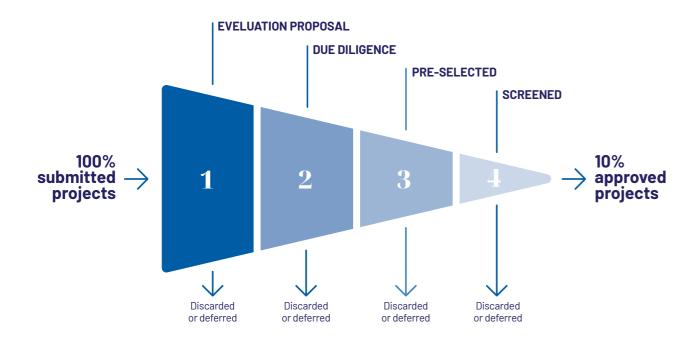




## 2. HOW WE WORK

### Our main objective is to support people with intellectual disabilities in order to achieve a better quality of life

### **METHODOLOGY AND ANALYSIS 2022**



### **PROJECTS**















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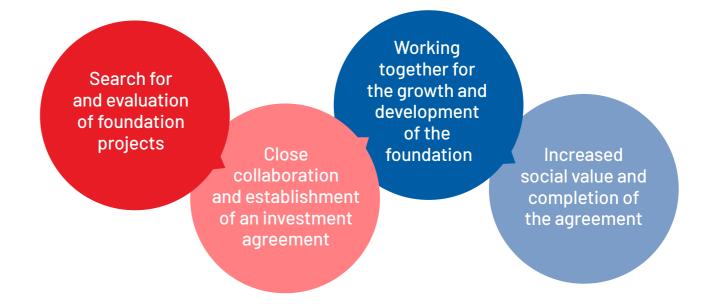








### INVEST FOR CHILDREN VALUE CHAIN



### PHASE 1

### Search for and evaluation of foundation projects.

Our main focus is on people with intellectual disabilities.

We carry out a proactive search, using the latest available information, for charities supporting people using best practices.

Each organisation must pass a rigorous selection process and due diligence to ensure that its work and mission meet Invest for children's criteria.

### PHASE 2

### Close collaboration and creation of an investment agreement.

We commit to selected charities by establishing a close partnership.

We formalise the investment agreements.

We measure and monitor impact.

### PHASE 3

### Working together for the growth and development of the foundation.

Invest for children commits to the foundation in order to implement its growth and development.

Follow-up meetings are held quarterly to track the progress of each organisation and an annual appraisal is also carried out.

### PHASE 4

### Increased social value and finalising the agreement.

There is a clear initial agreement on strategy, objectives and an exit plan.

Invest for children acts as an advisor, bringing foundations together in order to achieve social impact that continues beyond our social investment.

# Employment improves the autonomy and independence of people with intellectual disabilities

### **EMPLOYMENT**

Employment improves the autonomy and independence of people with intellectual disabilities. Hence, Invest for children is committed to this cause by informing employers of the benefits of hiring people with disabilities.





#### **Collaboration with AURA FOUNDATION**

### aurafundacio.org



Since 2012 Invest for children has been committed to workplace inclusion for people with learning disabilities through operational and financial support for the Aura Foundation project.

The Aura Foundation is a non-profit organization founded in October 1989. It was initially conceived as an association and since 2004 as a private foundation.

The Aura Foundation was the first "Supported Employment" programme in Spain, a pioneer in the implementation and development of this methodology.

Its mission is to **help improve the quality of life** of people with Down's syndrome and other intellectual disabilities, through **social inclusion in the workplace** following the bespoke Aura methodology.

The Aura Foundation is expanding its **telematic training courses**, to allow participants to acquire skills more independently. With the continuous support of trainers offering the necessary tools, and with continuous interactions with their peer group, which favours the teaching-learning process, the participants continue acquiring the necessary skills for working life.

The Aura Foundation offers different programmes for workplace integration of people with intellectual disabilities:

Initial training with the intention of preparing candidates for the job and continuous training dedicated to cognitive improvement, learning to learn, improvement of written expression and reading comprehension, etc.

- Supported Living Programme: This programme focuses on offering the possibility to stay in a normalised environment with university students, learning to live together and to take on responsibilities that come from sharing a house with other people.
- The club is a community where participants can debate and defend their rights. It is a group of self-advocates who represent the beginnings of equality for people with disabilities.

### **SAVINGS PLANS**



Since 2007, Invest for children has financed the Caixa-Bank Savings Plans, of which some of the participants of the Aura Foundation are beneficiaries, in recognition of their work and motivation.

The Savings Plans continue to grow until their beneficiaries eventually retire.

# Employment improves the autonomy and independence of people with intellectual disabilities





### Collaboration with TEAM DOMENICA

teamdomenica.com





Team Domenica strongly believes that young people with learning disabilities have the right to work, to lead fulfilling and purposeful lives, to have their individual gifts and talents recognised, and to feel included as valued members of society.

Invest for children sponsors Team Domenica's Wrap Around Programme, which **supports people with intellectual disabilities** in paid employment. This programme offers them a consultancy service focused on employment progression and is a source of advice for workers.

Founded in 2016 by Rosa Monckton, whose younger daughter Domenica has Down's Syndrome, Team Domenica helps young people with learning disabilities find and retain meaningful employment. Based in central Brighton & Hove, the organisation operates through a unique three-tier set-up of **Training Centre**, **Training Café** (Café Domenica) and **Employment Centre**. Through this they provide employment programmes to young people with a wide range of ability, referred to as their 'candidates' to more accurately reflect and emphasise their role as people ready for employment.

### SHE BISTRO



#### Collaboration with BLUM FOUNDATION

blumbuilder.org

Invest for children has made a contribution to the Blum Foundation in order to promote the She Bistro project.

It is a project promoted by Cooking for Mission and Blum, which aims to offer opportunities to women survivors of gender violence and people with functional diversity through cooking as a means of training, employability, and community action.

On 19 October 2022, **She Bistro** opened its first **social restaurant in Barcelona**, which includes a chef and a head waitress as the only two non-vulnerable members of the team, as well as two people with functional diversity and six women survivors of gender violence.

The project is a commitment to the empowerment of female victims of violence and people with functional diversity through training and employment. In the first phase participants carry out internships in the hospitality industry and attend workshops on psychosocial support and skills. This offers them support in the transition to permanent employment, either through their employment in the restaurant or through partner restaurants and companies.





# Invest for children supports various projects that improve the quality of medical service and research

### **HEALTH**

Invest for children supports various projects that improve the quality of medical service and research. Our aim is to achieve a successful hospital stay for sick children and their families.





PEDIATRIC CANCER CENTER BARCELONA

sidhospitalbarcelona.org



The Hospital Sant Joan de Déu provides comprehensive care for vulnerable people. With the support of Invest for children, The Hospital Sant Joan de Déu of Barcelona launched a major project to create the largest paediatric oncology centre in Spain and one of the largest in Europe.

The centre opened in June 2022 and is almost fully operational, having already implemented its full range of services. The average occupancy rate has been more than 70% on the ward and around five patients have been attended to each day via the SJD home care programme for oncology patients.

For outpatients there are 21 consultations and 26 day hospital cubicles. The first quarter ended with an average of 27 treatment sessions and 40 analyses per day in the Day Hospital area, which is open seven days a week. This is a similar volume as prior to the opening of the centre, however the new Day Hospital has freed up space previously allocated in the hospitalisation building, which can now provide a more flexible response to other specialities (including nephrology, allergy tests, immunology treatments, etc.).

The Surgical Block has two high-tech operating theaters. An average of six procedures are performed per day in the outpatient operating theatre. During the first quarter of 2023, it will be possible to open the second operating theatre, which will be able to perform complex oncological surgeries planned in 3D.

The SJD Paediatric Cancer Centre Barcelona also has a specific rehabilitation area, with materials adapted to patients' care needs, making it possible not only to attend to more children and adolescents at the same time, but also to absorb inpatient and outpatient care in the same place, where children can be attended to specifically by pathology and age groups.

Since opening, six of the eight chambers of the Haemato-poietic Progenitor Transplant Unit have been enabled to respond to transplanted patients. The Nuclear Medicine floor will be operational from early 2023, which will occupy floor 0 and will have several units for diagnostic tests and two plumbed rooms for radionuclide treatments. This will prevent some patients from having to travel abroad, both to undergo certain tests and to receive specific treatments of this type.

Work is currently underway to complete the opening of the new paediatric oncology laboratories, which will bring together care and research activities. This area, which is scheduled to start up in the first quarter of 2023, encapsulates the new centre's comprehensive health-care approach, based on holistic patient healthcare and the application of research to clinical practice whenever possible.

There is also an Oncology Pharmacy service specialized in dispensing guidelines for oncology patients, which will be complemented this autumn with the opening of clean rooms that will allow the preparation of medication in the same centre thus ensuring a higher degree of safety.

### **THANK YOU**









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### FUNDACIÓN Elenabarraquer

### **Donation to ELENA BARRAQUER FOUNDATION**

### fundacionelenabarraquer.com

Invest for children has made a contribution to the Elena Barraquer Foundation.

This Foundation facilitates access to ophthalmological care for people at risk of social exclusion, who are treated at the Barraquer Ophthalmology Centre and abroad through medical expeditions.

It also promotes **eye health care** through awareness campaigns, **grants and scholarships** for the training of ophthalmologists with limited resources and develops **research projects**.







### **Donation to APNEEF**

#### apneef.org



In 2022, Invest for children made a donation to APNEEF for the purchase of a treadmill, specifically designed for rehabilitation, and a supine stand with a table.

Created in 1998, it aims to promote the development and evolution of children and adolescents with special needs, trying to increase their quality of life and integration into society, thus opening a path to a better future life.

The Association of People with Special Needs of Ibiza and Formentera (APNEEF by its Spanish acronym) is a non-profit association that brings together children and teenagers with special needs (physical, mental, sensory and/or cognitive disability).

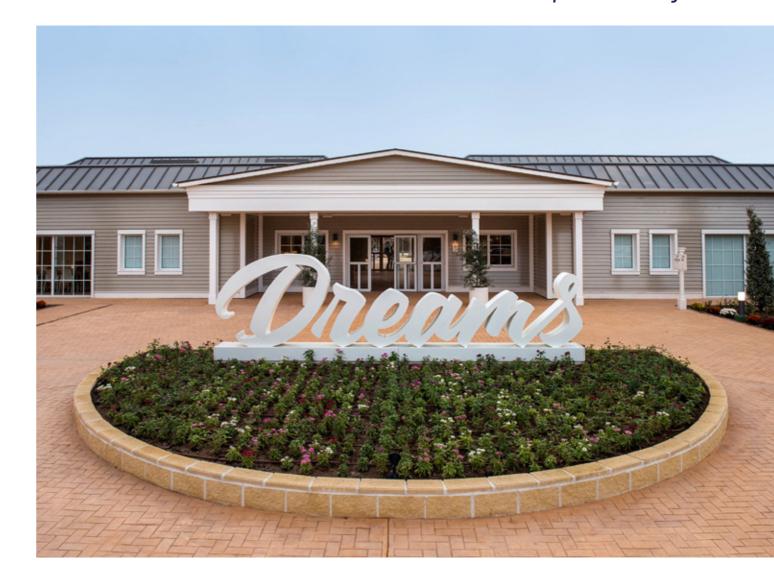
# Invest for children supports various projects that improve the quality of medical service and research





#### Collaboration with PORTAVENTURA FOUNDATION

#### fundacioportaventura.org



In 2022, Invest for children made a contribution to the PortAventura Foundation's Dreams project.

PortAventura Dreams is a programme that offers a **free six-day stay** to children between the ages of 4 and 17 who have suffered or are suffering from serious illnesses, so that, together with their families, they can enjoy **an unforgettable and renewing experience**.

Dreams Village occupies 8,850 m<sup>2</sup> with six homes equipped to accommodate around 200 families each year.

The stay includes access to all three PortAventura World parks; in addition, to offering a unique experience. It has recreational-therapeutic activities that encourage moments of family togetherness, play areas, a football pitch and multi-purpose rooms for children to meet other children with similar life stories.

### We promote the achievement of further education and vocational training

### **EDUCATION**

People with learning disabilities are able to pursue their studies in a standard way. Invest for children promotes higher education or vocational training so that people with intellectual disabilities are highly qualified and prepared for the workforce.





**UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIP** 

terral.org

In 2022 Invest for children awarded its third university scholarship for a student from the El Terral Foundation in Ciutat Vella to study for a degree in Industrial **Engineering Design and Product Development.** 

"El Terral" is an activity centre in the Raval district of Barcelona promoted by Raval en acció, assoc., where programmes are developed to provide socio-educational support to young people and women, most of whom are immigrants. Resources are offered to facilitate their integration into the labour market. In order to carry out the programmes, volunteering is promoted among students and professionals.







### Collaboration with VIJAY AMRITRAJ FOUNDATION

vijayamritrajfoundation.org



Invest for children has made a donation to the Vijay Amritraj Foundation.

This foundation brings hope, help and healing to the helpless and innocent victims of disease, tragedy and circumstance in India. Driven by the firm belief that in giving we receive; the foundation is committed to making a real difference to those who most need the helping hand of humanity.

### **SOCIAL INCLUSION**



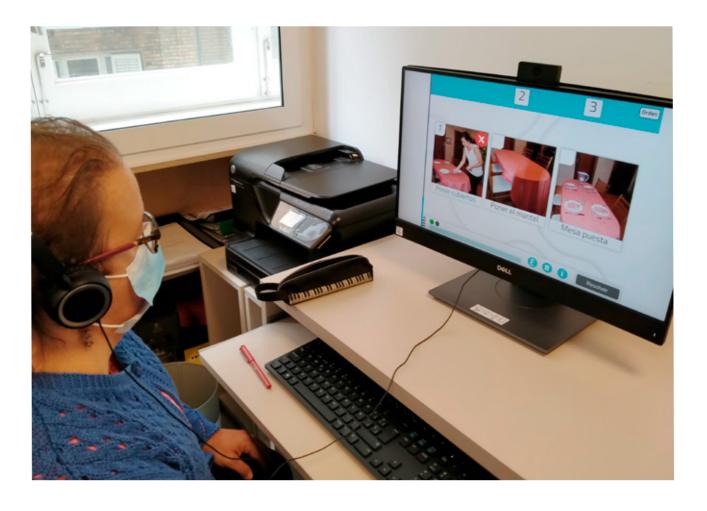


**DOWN TV** downtv.org

**Down TV is the first video-sharing platform dedicated** i.e. health workers, teachers, employers, etc. exclusively to Down's syndrome.

Down TV is aimed not only at **people with Down's syndrome**, who can upload their own videos and express themselves to the world, but also, and in a special way, at their families and professionals related to Trisomy 21,

Down TV offers a **free service**, visually increasing awareness of this genetic alteration and its capabilities. DOWN TV was created in 2010. It has more than 3,000 videos uploaded to the website.



# Promotion of sport for people with Down's Syndrome





#### Collaboration with EL TERRAL DE CIUTAT VELLA FOUNDATION

terral.org

During 2022, Invest for children assumed the maintenance and operating costs of two mineral water fountains at the offices of the El Terral Foundation in Ciutat Vella (Barcelona), as it has been doing since 2012.

Terral is a group of volunteers who develop the Raval en Acció project, aimed at providing **socio-educational support** and **facilitating equal opportunities and social cohesion**.

Terral's objectives are:

#### - Promotion of women.

In an atmosphere of freedom, trust, and dialogue, Terral encourages personal improvement and provides a basic preparation that facilitates the employment, inclusion and social adaptation of girls, teenagers, and women.

#### Facilitating integration.

Their programmes promote the educational, social, and cultural cohesion of new arrivals, while respecting and valuing the different contributions of each participant.

#### - Promotion and training of volunteers.

Terral provides the necessary preparation, advice, and follow-up to each volunteer so that they can effectively carry out their task. Volunteering is promoted among university students, professionals, and retired people.

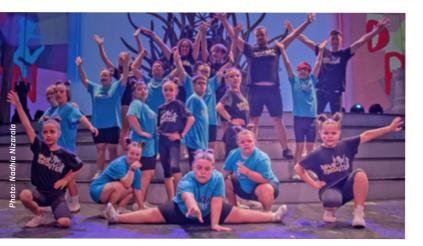






#### SINDROME DE DOWN CATALUNYA FOUNDATION

sindromedown.cat



In 2021, Invest for children continued its collaboration with Down Catalunya, with the aim of dedicating a day to organisations that work for the social and occupational inclusion of people with learning disabilities, albeit open to everyone.

On 8 October 2022, the Fent Amics day was held at PortAventura Park.



### **SPORT**





#### Collaboration with SPECIAL OLYMPICS SPAIN

specialolympics.es

In collaboration with Special Olympics Spain, Invest for children aims to add a new sport to the Special Olympics Spain sports portfolio.

Thanks to the development of paddle tennis schools, athletes with intellectual disabilities will train and compete in this new sport. It is a 3 year project with the aim of progressively increasing the number of participating schools and athletes. In 2020, new paddle tennis schools were opened and in 2021 it was possible to organise the 1st National Paddle Championship for athletes with intellectual disabilities in Castellón:

 The competition was attended by almost 50 sportsmen and women with and without intellectual disabilities, coming from five autonomous communities.  Beyond the competition, the weekend was completed with a welcoming act and a closing ceremony.

Almost 50 athletes with and without intellectual disabilities from Aragón, Castilla y León, Madrid, the Region of Murcia and the entities representing the host community, UNITTS CD, APDA and SinDown Castellón, put the skills acquired from the Paddle Schools to the test.

By 2022, the programme has 8 schools in 5 autonomous communities that give more than 100 athletes the chance to play paddle tennis.



# Promotion of sport for people with Down's Syndrome





#### **Collaboration with ALEX FOUNDATION**

fundacionalex.org

In 2022, Invest for children made a donation to the Alex Foundation in favour of the Atlètic Lleida Genuine sports project.

With this Project, Lleida has a Genuine football team that began its journey in the 2022-2023 season.

LaLiga Genuine Santander is a football competition for people with intellectual disabilities in Spain. It is organised through the LaLiga Foundation and represents professional football's commitment to diversity and inclusion. The first edition was held in 2017.







### Collaboration with REAL CLUB DE TENIS DE BARCELONA fundaciotennisbarcelona.org



Invest for children participates with the Fundación Tenis Barcelona through its programme "Tenis con valores" (Tennis with Values).

The Real Club de Tenis Barcelona 1899 is a club with more than 120 years of history and closely linked to the city of Barcelona, especially through the Conde de Godó Tournament. In 2019 it decided to take a new step by creating the Tenis Barcelona Foundation to promote and expand the existing solidarity activities.

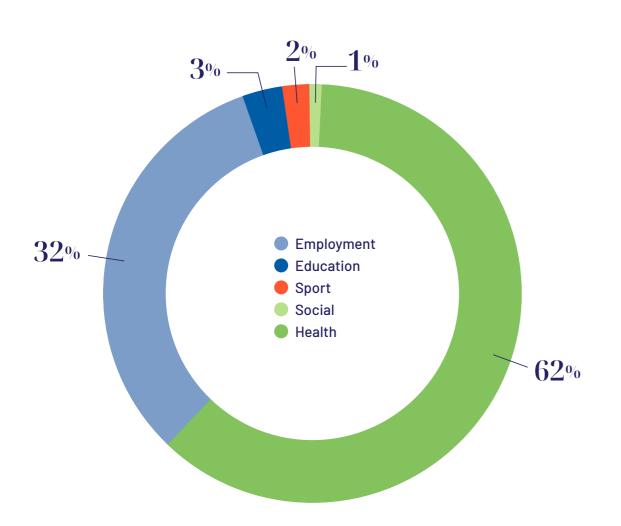
The "Tennis with Values" programme was launched in the spring of 2020, with a small group of boys and girls from the Casal de Adolescents de la Barceloneta. During the academic year, the programme offers weekly solidarity tennis sessions for children and young people at risk of exclusion, with tennis lessons on municipal courts in the city's neighbourhoods. They transmit the values of tennis, equip them with the

necessary material and always with a healthy snack. A unique experience that has been growing and that in 2 years has become a real school of solidarity tennis. Today, around 250 children and young people at risk of exclusion enjoy a solidarity tennis class in their own neighbourhoods and a healthy snack.

This programme aims to have a Solidarity Tennis School with at least 400 participants by the end of 2024. During the 2021-2022 academic year, more than 100 tennis sessions have been offered and more than 900 snacks have been distributed. The "Tennis with values" summer school has had more than 180 beneficiary children and more than 30 hours of tennis.

# 4. DISTRIBUTION OF DONATIONS

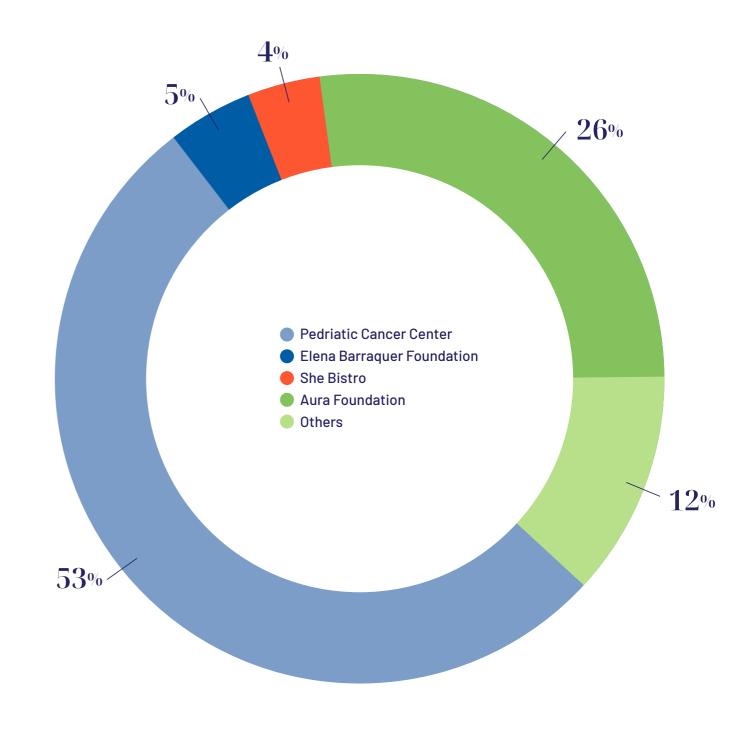
### **DONATIONS BY CATEGORY**



Since 2006 and for the next 5 years Invest for children has donated more than 7 million euros and committed to donate **more than 10 million euros**.



### **DONATIONS PER BENEFICIARY**



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