



ODFL Project Profile

Birthing Centers

Bhojpur, Nepal

**Project Name:**

Birthing Centers for Pyauli, Basteem, and Kot villages.

Project Location:

Bhojpur District, Nepal

NGO Partner:

One Heart World-Wide

Project Cost:

\$8,000

Needs Assessment:

- Most pre-natal and neo-natal assistance in Nepal is provided to residents of urban areas in the south
- More than 80% of births occur in rural areas in the north
- These areas suffer from lack of access, no equipment, and no training for intervention in delivery difficulties



In Nepal, 12 women die in childbirth every day, most by bleeding to death. And 75 Nepali babies die every day, most in their first 24 hours. Because of this, Nepal has one of the highest rates of maternal neonatal mortality (MNM: women dying in childbirth) in the world.

With One Heart World-Wide, ODFL will upgrade two existing health posts into birthing centers where basic preventive and emergency obstetric care is provided. Each center provides appropriate pre-natal care including safe motherhood education; a skilled birth attendant able to deal with obstetric/neonatal complications; a clean, warm, safe, well-equipped birthing environment; and appropriate post-natal care.

Nepalese government statistics show that the eleven similar facilities from OHWW and ODFL in Baglung province are reducing the MNM rate by more than 90%.

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