## Tongil Group' 2016 Salary Round-off Hope Dream Project

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## [Newsis] Tongil Group Once Again Offers Support for Multicultural Families

[Seoul= Newsis] Reporter Jeong-Hwan Kim= Tongil Group (Chairman Yun-Gi Choi) held the "2016 Salary Round-off Hope Dream Project Presentation Ceremony" on the 25th on the 1st floor of the Cheong-pa Dong Multicultural Welfare Center in Yongsan-gu, Seoul.

1,288 members of the Tongil Group staff donated less than 10,000 won from their paychecks every month, totaling 43 million won. 50 representatives of Tongil Group were present as the gathered donation was presented to four multicultural family support groups.

Tongil Group Chairman Yun-Gi Choi delivered congratulatory remarks. "Multicultural families are not a special concept. Diverse cultural spheres have become united as families. However, they have suffered because of their maladjustment to Korean society and the discrimination they have received. The Korean society must resolve this issue by providing support to these families."

Korean Multicultural Peace Federation President Kyeung-Seuk Ryu stated in this congratulatory address, "Multicultural policies are present not only in Korea, but also in Europe, America and other parts of Asia. Korea is persistent in attempting these policies. When the government is interested, our responsibility is to ensure that people's groups and NGOs work to secure a place in society for multicultural families. Although it is a small step, it is one step towards multicultural families and children living better lives.

Through polls taken both on and off-line, the Tongil Group staff selected the True Love and Peace School "Multicultural Youth Career Exploration with Tongil Group" (15 million won), Multicultural Welfare Center "Communication Program with Multicultural Adolescents" (4 million won), Aehyang Children's Welfare Center "Gifts of Child Care Facilities for Children's Day" (4 million won), and the Multicultural Welfare Center "Family Camp for Disabled Multicultural Children" (20 million won) as recipients of the collected funds.

A Tongil Group's PR Department leader explained, "In 2013, we conducted the donation event with Tongil Group employees as candidates. We have since accumulated a total of 143 million won."

"In 2013, the funds were given to support medical expenses of multicultural families, support for sewing machines for North Korean defectors' social enterprise "Hope Apparel," and equipment for the Multicultural Children's Soccer Club in Cheonghae. In 2014, the funds were given to support medical expenses of multicultural families, children of families with no parents and elderly people living alone. Last year, the funds went towards an elementary school in a Syrian refugee camp, the Family Camp for

Disabled Multicultural Children and scholarships for alternative schools for multicultural youth.

Tongil Group is composed of 12 companies, including Ilhwa, Segye Ilbo, Yongpyong Resort, Il Sang Marine Industry (The Ocean Resort), Sun Won Construction, Il Shin Stone Company, TIC, Shin Jeong Development Company, Seil Travel Agency, JC, Saeilo and Asian Maritime Committee.....

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The FFWPU held the "2016 Salary Round-off Hope Dream Project Presentation Ceremony" on the 25th at Cheong-pa Dong Multicultural Welfare Center in Seoul. Attendees including Multicultural Welfare Center Director Byeong-Ho Son, Tongil Group Chairman Yun-Gi Choi, and Family Federation for World Peace and Unification Korea President Kyeung-Seuk Lu (first row, third from the left) pose for a commemorative photo. Each year, Tongil Group employees donate money from their monthly paychecks and offer the collected funds to support multicultural families and their children....