

Jiujiang Social Welfare Institute

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Altrusa International of Longview-Kelso Foundation
working together with Amity Foundation in China



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Altrusa Foundation, working together with Amity Foundation in China, provides three Hugging Grannies to help enrich the lives of the roughly 150 children residing at the Institute itself; there are also 20 children in foster care. Some are healthy but most have a special need such as cerebral palsy, heart disease or a cognitive disability. The "children - safe island" recently opened.

Early this year, the new facilities opened. A building on the left side of the front gate serves as an auxiliary building, mainly for meetings and material storage (below left). Another new building behind the former Children's building is for rehabilitation and special education. The original children's building has been renovated into the children's residence (below right).

It is possible that children from other SWIs may come to live at Jiujiang so they can receive rehabilitation and education.



Hugging Grannies



Hugging Grannies Liu (left), Huizhi (below left), and Zhong (below right) have worked together for the past six years. They have a deep knowledge of each child's conditions, needs, and personality, and they work as a team to help every child's rehabilitation, addressing emotional, behavioral, and motivational issues as they work to improve physical abilities. They use many different approaches — massage, exercise, play, laughter, song, verbal encouragement, hugs and much more — to nurture and enliven their charges.



New Facilities



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