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# Who Are We?

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The activities of the foundation, which started its operations in 2020, are concentrated in the education sector. The main goal of the SEY Foundation is to provide equal opportunities in education by providing scholarships to the children of low-income families.

The SEY Foundation also organizes many activities, such as creating platforms for young people to present their projects, encouraging the work of people by rewarding those whose work improves the conditions of society, providing education to both students and parents in disadvantaged socio-economic areas, and organizing seminars on a range of topics impacting the welfare of local and global communities.



# Our Vision, Our Mission and Our Values

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To be a respected institution known locally and globally as an organization that creates equal opportunity in education and opportunities for everyone in need to develop themselves through education and training.

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- 1 Sustainability. We aim to keep all of our activities in line with the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals through related global partnerships.
  - 2 A love of all humankind. We set out with this basic value, and aim to lead the world to love, respect.
  - 3 Equality. We advocate that everyone should have equal opportunity, especially the right to education.
  - 4 Contemporary. We aim at every step to support those who look ahead with a clear and positive vision for the advancement of humankind.
  - 5 Togetherness. Every society is only as strong as its weakest member.
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- 1 To raise world citizens who benefit society by removing barriers in front of children's education.
- 2 To bring hope to future generations by instituting practices that will create equal opportunities in education for all children.
- 3 To shape well-rounded opinion leaders skilled in creativity, and leadership.
- 4 To be a platform and community that will contribute to social and cultural development.



# Our Honorary Presidents



**ENVER YÜCEL AND SEMRA YÜCEL**

# Future Talks by SEY Foundation

“Future Talks by SEY Foundation”, where a different topic will be discussed each year, was held on 23 November 2021 at Zorlu PSM.

The theme of the event was “Women’s Problem, Man’s Issue”. The well-known mistakes made about gender inequality, the pressures encountered in business and social life, and their solutions were discussed in detail by experts in the field.

In the event moderated by Yekta Kopan, the vice president of the SEY Foundation Begüm Yücel, the scriptwriter Sema Ergenekon, the psychiatrist Gülcan Özer, the lawyer Rezzan Epözdemir, the businessman Murat Yeşildere, actress Esra Rusan, the academicians Haluk Gürgen and Yavuz Samur gave a speech.

Future Talks by SEY Foundation will be held in November every year with different topics.



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## “Woman's Problem, Man's Issue”

We announced our project as “Woman's problem, man's issue” with our Future Talks By SEY Foundation event, but now it's time to hit the road. This project is SEY Foundation's timeless project!

As the gender gap continues to widen by the day, so too does violence against women.

So who is responsible? Women, men, mothers, fathers?

In our opinion, everyone is equally responsible.

We at the SEY Foundation believe that if men make women's problems a top issue, most gender inequality will steadily disappear.

At this point, there are things to be careful about in our social, business, and private lives. From the language we establish to the attitude we adopt, we make mistakes, consciously or unconsciously. And with these mistakes, we open wounds that are difficult to heal.

We aim to heal our wounds with this project.



# THE EQUAL STRONG FREE EQUAL

However,  
a country can  
only develop  
if its children  
equal, strong and  
free.







# Future Scholarship

Every child is born with hope...

It is in the hands of human beings to reveal that hope or bury it in the darkness.

Man can create anything from a child.

A country can only change the fate of its geography by investing in its children.

A country cannot properly develop until all its children are free, equal, and strong.

A country can maintain democracy and justice only if it can offer every child the right to quality education.

Only by working together will we attain equal opportunity in education.

It is all of our duty to create hope for children.

With this belief and purpose, SEY Foundation has set its primary goal to provide quality education to as many children as possible. We aim to cover all education expenses of preschool and primary school students whose families make a living on minimum wage or whose parents are unemployed.

# What is the Empathy Support Scholarship?

Many children suffer from congenital or acquired disorders. Some of these deeply affect their daily lives. These are our “special children.” And they need equally special education. Education costs are a strain on many families.

At the SEY Foundation, we take responsibility for our special children.

We are here, and we hear your voice. We support the rehabilitation expenses of our special children within the foundation!



# Natural Disasters Scholarship

Floods, earthquakes, storms...

In recent years, we have witnessed natural disasters strike more frequently. And each disaster deeply affects the lives of thousands of families. At the SEY Foundation, we do not want any child's education disrupted by a natural disaster.

With our disaster scholarship, we take responsibility for children whose education lives are impacted by these unfortunate events.

We provide solutions supporting their educational life, including donations of computers, books, notebooks, and other necessary supplies.

## İZMİR EARTHQUAKE

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We cover the education expenses for 12 children miraculously rescued from the rubble of the 6.9 magnitude earthquake that struck Izmir on October 30, 2020.

## FOREST FIRES

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We provide computers, books, and stationery supplies to families directly impacted by forest fires and to children whose schools were damaged so that their education can continue uninterrupted.







We want to add our volunteers, to our family and to our mission. On our path, we set out by saying that if a child changes, the world will change.

Within the SEY Foundation, we are looking for volunteers who will be companions and friends to our scholars from pre-school to grade 8. In short, new friendships will be made!

Required conditions:

- Being at least a high school student,
- Adopting the foundation's purpose, vision, and mission,
- Possessing educational, professional, and personality traits that can contribute constructively to the activities determined by the foundation.

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# Semra & Enver Yücel Award

Sometimes you do something and it is only beneficial for you...  
Sometimes you do something and it is only beneficial for one person...  
However, sometimes you do things that benefit the whole society, not just a few people...  
You can't hold it in your hands, but you can see its impact on society.  
Touching the lives of others through your work is difficult.  
But completing that hard work and seeing its effect on society is a source of pride, not only for those who do it but also for those who see it.  
Good deeds multiply themselves.  
At SEY Foundation, we have made it our duty to set good examples by rewarding people who add value to society. This is precisely why we chose our award figures with a design competition organized among university students.  
We will give the Semra & Enver Yücel Award once a year to a person or a team that most notably contributes to society.

AND AMONG NEARLY 100 APPLICATIONS  
WINNERS OF OUR COMPETITION



**FIRST**

**BUKET SAĞLAM**

TOBB EKONOMİ  
VE TEKNOLOJİ ÜNİVERSİTESİ



**SECOND**

**MERVE SAFALI**

YILDIZ TEKNİK ÜNİVERSİTESİ



**THIRD**

**İREM METİN**

MEF ÜNİVERSİTESİ



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As SEY Foundation, together with the trainers of YEGAM within Bahçeşehir University, our main goal is to go to the farthest corners of Turkey to provide training and seminars for disadvantaged children in line with the socio-economic conditions of their regions.

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One of the main factors in reducing inequality in education is investment in young children. During the pandemic, this investment has become even more crucial with the transition to online education... Countries that plan best for this process will return to normal with the least severe damage.

Learning depends on the quality and content of the environment. When disadvantaged children go from home to school, they experience a significant improvement in learning. The learning environment at school is much more conducive than the learning environment at home. Supporting our children through online education during the pandemic has ensured the welfare and development of society, especially in more disadvantaged regions.





SEY Store has attracted great interest since its establishment.

All of the income generated from the capsule collections of artists like Ayşe Wilson and Pinar Birim is used for children's access to education. A purchased hoodie, t-shirt or bag turns into a computer, a book, a notebook for the disadvantaged ones.



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