Association François-Xavier Bagnoud (FXB International) was founded in 1989 by the family and friends of François-Xavier Bagnoud, a helicopter pilot who specialized in rescue operations in the Swiss Alps and who died at the age of 24. FXB's mission is to fight poverty and AIDS in particular, and support the women and children made vulnerable by the pandemic. FXB offers comprehensive support to families and communities through the FXBVillages program. Its objective is to alleviate poverty by addressing the five major drivers of poverty; lack of nutrition, health, education, housing and income. The association seeks to build capacity of individuals and communities to generate self-sustainability and lasting escape from poverty.

AREAS OF INTEREST
- Protection of children who are vulnerable or orphaned due to HIV/AIDS
- Income-generating activities towards poverty alleviation
- HIV prevention and the promotion of healthy lifestyles among vulnerable groups
- Medical care and access to antiretroviral therapy
- Education, nutrition, access to water and sanitation
- Psychosocial support to individuals
- Protection of women's and children's rights particularly in the context of HIV

HEALTH-RELATED ACTIVITIES
FXB works globally in HIV-prevention activities among vulnerable groups and at grass-roots level. The focus is on local advocacy, such as using local barbers as advocates for HIV prevention and treatment, and on raising awareness of and prevention of mother to child transmission of HIV/AIDS. The pioneering and comprehensive FXBVillage model tackles the lack of health and nutrition, and WASH priorities together with other poverty-alleviation strategies.

GOVERNANCE AND STAFF
The founder and president emerita of FXB International is Albina du Boisrouvray. The association has offices in Paris, New York, and in Geneva and Sion in Switzerland.

FUNDING SOURCES AND BUDGET
The association is funded through donations by philanthropists, foundations and the public. Total income in 2016 was CHF 1,735,505.
PUBLICATIONS
FXB foundation's evaluations, its resources, annual reports, factsheets and its international newsletter and brochure can be found at:
https://fxb.org/international/publications-fxb-international/

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