AVSI, created in 1972, is a non-profit organization which carries out development cooperation and humanitarian aid projects throughout the world.

Vision
AVSI works for a world where the person, aware of his/her value and dignity, is the protagonist of his/her own integral development and that of his/her community, even in crisis and emergency contexts.

Mission
AVSI implements cooperation projects in various sectors with a preferential focus on education, meaning that the person is accompanied towards self-discovery and recognition that the other person is a resource. Each project is conceived as an instrument to promote this awareness in everyone involved, has in itself a need for communicating and sharing, and creates an impact capable of generating a positive change.

Method
In project implementation, AVSI uses the following approach:
- to start from the value of the person, who is never defined by the circumstances in which s/he lives
- to consider the person always in his/her family and community context
- to do with: accompany and let ourselves be accompanied, recognizing that we all share the same human experience
- to involve all stakeholders: encourage the participation of beneficiaries, providers, partners, donors, and the private sector
- to learn from experience and capitalize on the lessons learned.

Commitment
AVSI operates in various areas: education and social development, urban development, healthcare, vocational training, job creation, micro-entrepreneurship, agriculture, food security, energy, environmental protection, humanitarian emergencies, migration, democracy and human rights.
AVSI MYANMAR

AVSI, present in Myanmar since 2007, implements relief and development programs focusing on education & child protection, health & nutrition, gender equality & women’s empowerment, WASH (water sanitation and hygiene), rural development and disaster risk reduction.

Education
To reduce the dropout rate and to provide psychosocial support AVSI implements socio-educational projects such as direct childcare, family support, support to primary, secondary and post-secondary education, teacher training and vocational training.

Health & nutrition
To prevent malnutrition AVSI supports women nutrition classes, cooking demonstrations, promoting the exclusive women breastfeeding as optimal and healthy food for children growth.

WASH
AVSI constructs and rehabilitates tube wells and village water ponds. AVSI establishes also water user groups and provides WASH trainings.

Food security & livelihood
To increase value-added production and income generating activities, AVSI supports homestead gardening, Farmer Field Schools (FFSs), the establishment of seed banks and the introduction of the Climate Smart Agriculture (CSA), to contrast climate change effects on agriculture.

Disaster risk reduction
In collaboration with Myanmar State Department of Disaster Management, AVSI provides disaster risk management and mitigation trainings and conducts DRR (Disaster Risk Reduction) simulations at township level.

Projects
10
Local branches
9
Staff
93
Financial statement
853,000.00
Direct beneficiaries
41,141
indirect: 171,506
Distance Support Program
650
children supported
Local partners
21
8 Government Institutions and Department, 5 INGO and 8 NGO/CBOs