



HONORING DAD'S LOVE and SUPPORT



Shanaya Parikh is the 14-year-old daughter of Saumil Parikh, President of Share & Care, and the granddaughter of Rajshekhar Parikh, a founding member of the organization. Hear from her about the special connection she shares with her father and grandfather through Share & Care's work, and how their dedication to bettering the lives of those in need has inspired her.

CELEBRATE FATHER'S DAY WITH A DONATION

Celebrating the Legacy of Fathers



On Father's Day, we honor our fathers and grandfathers and their accomplishments. My grandfather Rajshekhar Parikh, a Share & Care founding member, and my father Saumil Parikh, the organization's current president, taught me how I could aid others.

My father had to first convince me to attend an SCF performance when I was five years old. I anticipated it would be dull, and I didn't want to endure three

hours of it. But to my surprise, I watched in awe as the Ahmedabad children's dance troupe Ekatva performed. Their bodies danced to the rhythm that was coursing through them. They were giving a performance at a banquet that my grandfather's charity was hosting to raise money for their families. Along with their dedication to pursuing their love of dancing, these students' dedication to improving their families in India — the nation of my family's origin — inspired me. I would never have been inspired or been able to see all these struggles that people faced if it were not for my dad.

My grandfather wanted to give the youth in India a purpose through education and help them live better lives. After he passed away, SCF organized a book drive and



Father, Saumil, and daughter, Shanaya, in front of a picture of her late grandfather, Rajshekhar.

collaborated with my family to build a school library in Kutch, India. When I was in Kutch, I saw the difficulties that India's underserved children faced. Children supported their families by milking cows, making goods to sell, and producing food instead of attending school, doing their homework, and participating in extracurricular activities. Like my grandfather, I yearn to help the kids in these neighborhoods.

SCF Kids4Kids strives to help underserved students in India receive an education. By giving these kids access to education, we can help them avoid poverty and become self-sufficient. As educated children land careers, their families are transformed. I think it is important to serve others by giving them experiences they will never forget, just like how my dad gave me mine.

Along with expanding my knowledge of my mother tongue and country, visiting the Kutch school has allowed me to acquire knowledge from my peers. My father gave me a new perspective on the world, and I hope to become more active with the organization throughout my time in high school and will strive to be a friend, collaborator, and educator in our community. On Father's Day, I remember and strive to follow in their footsteps."

— Shanaya Parikh
Third-generation Share & Care member

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The fathers and father figures in our lives are some of our earliest and most important influences. This Father's Day, honor the paternal figure

who guided your path with a gift to those most in need in rural India.



HAPPY FATHER'S DAY



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