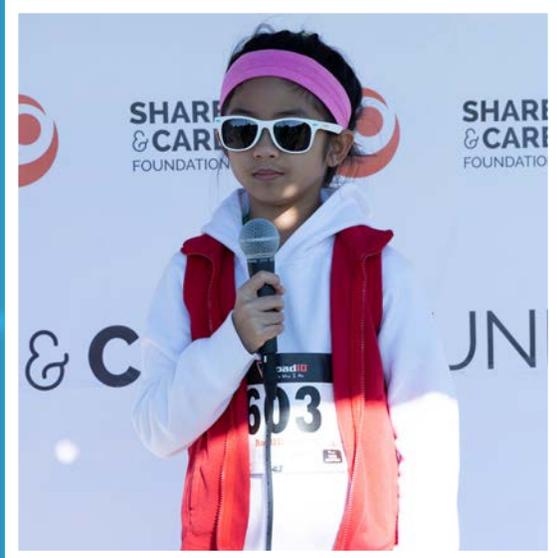


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**Uniting  
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OUR 41ST ANNUAL GALA



**SHARE & CARE FOUNDATION**

**NOVEMBER 4, 2023**



# Racing for Humanity

By participating in our 5K, whether by sponsoring, volunteering, or racing, we — and our beneficiaries — were all winners. Together we crossed the finish line, raising more than \$50,000!

Our Make A Difference Run/Walk, hosted by Share & Care Kids4Kids, is an effort to guarantee basic rights such as education, healthcare, and autonomy for women and children across rural India.

# DEAR PATRONS AND FRIENDS...



## From the Desk of the President

As we navigate this world at war, our **"Harmony for Humanity"** theme is more relevant than ever. Let tonight be a night of harmony in a world full of discord.

Our gala event brings us together to demonstrate our resolve for humanitarian work across the far reaches of rural India. This urgent need is blind to race, religion, or caste. Thanks to your consistent support, we have distributed more than \$80 million in aid over 40 years. Throughout the pages of this souvenir, you will find stories of impact that provide a glimpse into the lives that we have touched.

Together, Share & Care Foundation, along with its vibrant Kids4Kids group and Young Professional Committee, seek to Unite Generations in Service. As leadership passes, we honor our legacy. We want to not only raise funds for our wide-ranging programs, but we also want to teach the value of "sewa" to future generations. In this journey, some of our children volunteered at our partner NGO over the summer teaching 40 students computer science skills. Moved by the plight of others, they were inspired to fundraise to support our bedrock projects on their return from their summer teaching. I'm proud to announce that, with your support, our Kids4Kids raised over \$50,000 at their recent 5K fundraising event, bringing awareness and funding to our signature projects.

Our signature projects, which consist of Healthcare 2 Unreached (H2U), Women Empowerment (WE), Educate 2 Graduate (E2G), and Educate 2 Success (E2S), continue to create lasting impacts, transforming the lives of thousands.

Our healthcare efforts have provided essential treatment and prevention support for those in need. We have invested over \$500,000 in the last four years, and these funds have helped us establish mobile health clinics, provide hygiene and health education, offer nutrition care, raise mental health awareness, and much more.

In our passionate ongoing pursuit for women empowerment, we are working to train 2,500 girls in personal safety education, empower 20,000 women through self-help groups, and offer 800 character-building and leadership training sessions.

In our education projects, we have distributed over \$2.7 million in scholarships transforming more than 1,700 families. We expect these young adults to generate over \$22 million in wealth over the next five years.

I recognize as a parent that our children need us to create a bridge to our motherland India. We, at Share & Care, think the best way forward is to build a bridge of service across generations and across our countries. So let us together rededicate ourselves to our mission and bring light into the darkness, one individual at a time.

Sincerely,

*Saumil Parikh*

Saumil Parikh  
President, Share & Care Foundation

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# OUR MISSION, VISION, & CORE VALUES



## THE SHARE & CARE MISSION

To create opportunities for marginalized and economically challenged people in India

by developing and providing quality education, primary healthcare, and supporting skill development — including disaster relief and recovery — to improve quality of life, especially in rural India.

Share & Care has implemented more than **800 programs**, with a total investment of over **\$80M**.

## VISION

To create an equal world with gender equality, where everyone has access to the fundamental human rights of education, livelihood opportunities, and primary healthcare.



## OUR APPROACH:

We design Signature Programs for sustainable change. Our grassroots approach focuses on self-reliance within five years, creating measurable changes.

Our programs have made a real difference in the lives of millions of people.

## What Sets Share & Care Foundation Apart?

- **We are financially responsible.** We maintain a mainly volunteer-run operation with low overhead costs, and we strive to get the maximum yield on your investments.
- **We use a holistic approach**, which means we take into account all aspects of the issues we aim to solve — including emotional, economic, societal, and environmental factors. By partnering with local NGOs who know the needs and customs of the people we serve, we can address the “big picture,” ensuring that our programs will be effective. We endeavor to truly *empower*, and to guide beneficiaries toward self-sufficiency so that they may continue helping themselves and, eventually, uplift others around them.
- **Our research and reporting methods** guarantee that our programs are effective, get measurable results, and have significant impact. Our partners on-ground constantly monitor the efficacy of our programs.

# ABOUT THE ARTISTS

For this year's show, we are proud to present **Samir & Dipalee**, India's favorite singing couple. This duo has performed at hundreds of international shows covering a variety of genres featuring a delectable mix of Bollywood hits, Sufi, Folk, and Ghazals. Samir & Dipalee have a flair for delivering soul-stirring performances while stunning the audience with their onstage chemistry.

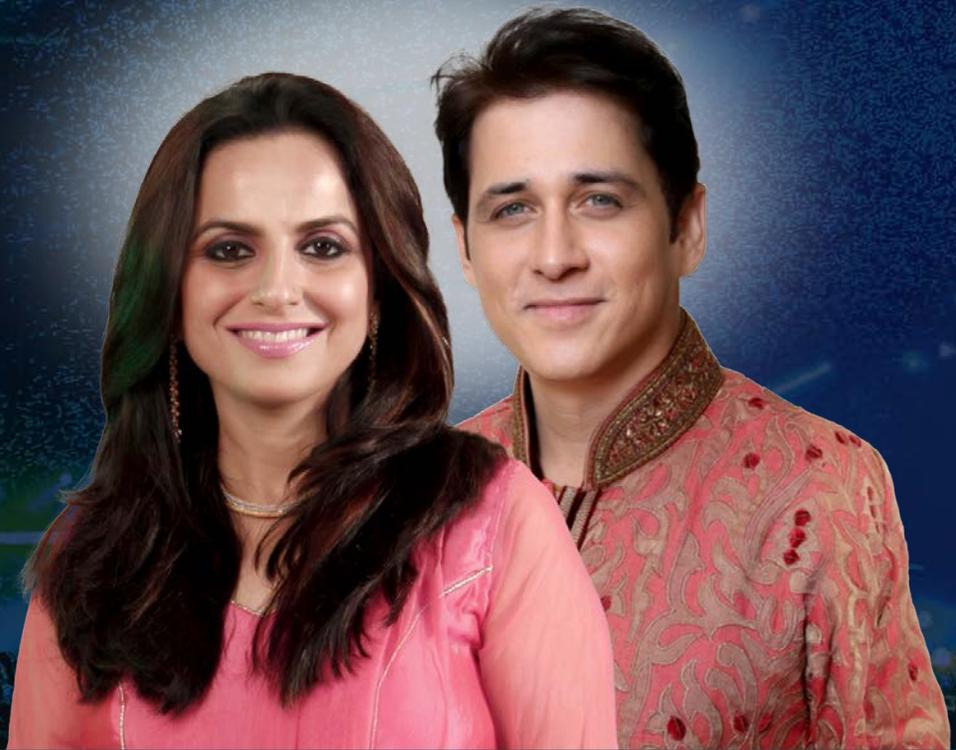
Samir has sung playback in a number of Bollywood movies like *Jazbaat*, *Fauj*, and *Parampara*. Hailing from a long line of esteemed musical talent, Samir has not only lived up to but has added to the allure of his family name. This versatile singer has won a

number of awards, including the honorable Pillar of Indian Society.

Dipalee is a well known playback singer and Sare-gama TV star. She has sung in more than 200 Hindi and Gujarati films and has received the "YUVA PRAT-IBHA" and "KUTCH RATNA" awards. Dipalee has also been awarded the "Best Playback Singer" award by the Gujarat government four times in a row and twice by Prime Minister Narendra Modi.

Join Samir & Dipalee, alongside their five accompanying musicians, as they take us through a musical journey honoring the spirit of service.

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# WHY GIVE TO SHARE & CARE FOUNDATION?

Founded more than 40 years ago on the cornerstones of generosity and innovative collaboration, Share & Care creates opportunities for deserving, economically challenged communities and individuals in India and around the world. Such opportunities include village upliftment, women empowerment, disaster relief and rehabilitation, providing access to quality education and primary healthcare, supporting skill development through livelihood training, and more.

Share & Care has been successful and instrumental in rebuilding lives in rural communities throughout India. Our collaborative attitude and deep understanding of the beneficiaries we serve have helped us overcome many challenges. Our success can be attributed to millions of volunteer hours, passionate donors, and our singular vision to improve the standard of living for marginalized and underserved communities. Our hands-on volunteers and staff respond quickly and efficiently to the calls of any emergency situation. We work with a strategic and targeted mindset to ensure help arrives as quickly as possible.

## Our Approach to Creating Long-Term Impact

We work with a holistic approach and partner with NGOs that focus on grassroots solutions. With the support of these reputable on-the-ground partners, we employ locally tailored and comprehensive solutions to create long-term impact and sustainable change. This holistic approach has been a sort of “mantra” in the effort and resources we provide our beneficiaries. By cultivating a cycle of self-sufficiency in the communities we serve, we are ensuring that each dollar you donate will have a lasting impact.

With each year of service, we have learned to create and execute individually and optimally designed programs for specific causes and geographical conditions, thereby ensuring their effectiveness and sustainability. Few organizations, if any, can claim a comparable level of expertise in effectively serving some of India's most neglected communities.

With our proven track record, we are the means for you to fulfill your philanthropic goals, such as yearly and

recurring donations, estate planning, corporate matching gifts, and charitable tax planning, to make a difference in the areas that are most meaningful to you.



## A Commitment to Transparency

At Share & Care, we are dedicated both to the communities we serve and to our donors. As part of our ongoing commitment to transparency, our track records are proven, credible, and accountable — and we can provide in-depth details of our non-governmental partner organizations on request.

We also receive feedback reports on every grant we make. Each report contains the financial health of the project, how beneficiaries are impacted, and how your donation has made a difference.

Most importantly, we are trustworthy and well recognized. We are a Candid (formerly Guidestar) Gold Transparency Participant and a four-star rating recipient (the highest rating possible) from Charity Navigator. Share & Care is also one of the few foundations in the United States listed under the Indo-US Bi-Lateral Agreement.

**“There is no higher virtue than charity.”**

— SWAMI VIVEKANANDA



# YOUR IMPACT

## How Your Gift Makes a Difference

**\$130**

EMPOWERS 1 at-risk child under age 13 with a secondary education.  
(E2S — Educate 2 Success)

**\$200**

EMPOWERS 200 girls with hemoglobin checks, medications, and supplements to prevent and treat anemia.  
(H2U — Healthcare 2 Unreached)

**\$360**

EMPOWERS 1 woman with livelihood training and equipment, plus gender equality and self-defense education.  
(WE — Women Empowerment)

**\$500**

EMPOWERS 5 marginalized female students with safe lodging, education, and training for personal growth.  
(E2S - Educate 2 Success / WE — Women Empowerment)

**\$1,000**

EMPOWERS 1 bright, low-income student with a college scholarship.  
(E2G — Educate 2 Graduate)

**\$2,500**

EMPOWERS 100 women by providing HPV vaccinations that prevent oral and cervical cancers.  
(H2U — Healthcare 2 Unreached)

**\$5,000**

EMPOWERS 1 village and up to 5,000 individual villagers.  
(VU — Village Upliftment)

## YES! I WANT TO EMPOWER RURAL INDIA!

All contributions are truly appreciated. To give, please make checks payable to "Share & Care Foundation," and mail to the following address:

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Or, please consider donating online at [shareandcare.org](https://shareandcare.org).

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# TIMELINE: CELEBRATING 40 YEARS



**1983**

How it All Began | Share & Care sends 2,000 pounds of donated used clothing to India. | Our first fund raising program raises \$15,000

**1984**

The Bhopal gas leak, considered the world's worst industrial disaster, occurs the night of December 2-3. Relief efforts are extraordinary – including \$60,000 in assistance from Share & Care's first comprehensive crisis response.

**1985**

Between 1984 and 2007, \$15,359,000 worth of medical equipment is sent to rural villages as part of the lifesaving "Used Medical Equipment Initiative."

**1989**

Working with SEWA Rural, an NGO based in Jhagadia (Bharuch district, Gujarat), a \$110,000 investment establishes a healthcare training center as a resource to acquire basic knowledge about effective patient care. 5,600 paramedical workers are trained.

**1988**

Four rural villages are "adopted," integrating support in health, education, and welfare. Over 4,000 farmers become self-sufficient with a total investment of \$36,000.

**1987**

Aid and supplies are provided in response to a dangerous drought in Gujarat. Over 500 water wells are built with a total investment of \$46,850.

**1986**

A mass appeal is conducted to "Sponsor a Student" – an initiative to bring educational opportunities to India's disadvantaged youth. Over 35,000 students are sponsored.

**1990**

Working with Nandigram Trust, an NGO based in Dharampur (Valsad district, Gujarat) working with India's tribal population, a \$40,000 investment is made toward basic education and primary healthcare.

**1991**

Working with the Anjali Society for Rural Health & Development, an NGO based in Ranasan (Sabarkantha district, Gujarat), a \$121,000 investment builds our first 30-bed hospital in Ranasan. More than 32,000 rural people receive free medical attention. The hospital is still in operation today.

**1992**

Pilot project "English as a Second Language" covers three schools in North Bergen, NJ. The \$16,000 investment helps new U.S. immigrants from India to learn English. | "Experiment in Self-Help" – our novel approach to stop job-seekers migrating to big cities for jobs – is established in West Bengal.

**2000**

Agilent Technologies Foundation grants \$63,000 to Share & Care to institute a mother and child project at the Dr. M.L. Dhawale Memorial Trust in Delhi.

**2001**

The 7.7 magnitude Gujarat earthquake occurs on January 26. Over \$5 million in cash and kind is provided for the relief and rehabilitation of survivors.

**2002**

An internship program is established at Yale University for students to volunteer their services to Share & Care's NGO partners in India.

**1999**

Lucent Technologies Foundation bestows Share & Care with a \$500,000 multiyear corporate grant for far-reaching youth development initiatives in India.

**1998**

The Gujarat cyclone hits June 1 and devastates the coastal town of Kutch with winds up to 120 mph and 25-foot tidal waves. Blankets, food, and clothing are provided to help with relief efforts.

**1997**

A \$1.4 million investment of 106 hemodialysis machines are sent to 35 charitable hospitals in India. Over the next 10 years, 600,000 patients with kidney disease are treated.

**1996**

Scholarships totaling \$160,500 are set up for promising U.S.-based students. 160 students attend college, including one medical student.

**1993**

Working with the Dharamshila Cancer Foundation, a \$200,000 investment builds North India's first state-of-the-art comprehensive cancer care and research center in New Delhi. | The 6.2 magnitude Latur earthquake in Maharashtra occurs on September 30, and is the largest earthquake to be felt in India since its Independence. | Immediate relief is provided including food, medicine, and daily required items. | Assistance of \$150,000 is provided for rehab projects, schools, and clinics.

**1994**

"School on Wheels" is established to take learning onto rural roads. It is later donated to the Sister Nivedita School in Rajkot, Gujarat. | An \$18,000 grant is provided for 60,000 students in 30 villages.

**1995**

An ambulance and medical equipment, for a total investment of \$106,399, are provided to Narayan Seva Sanstha, an NGO based in Rajasthan. | Share & Care is approved and listed under Indo U.S. Bilateral Agreement.

# TIMELINE: CELEBRATING 40 YEARS

**2003**

Grants totaling \$239,000 are provided to build the fully equipped Cardiac Care Unit in Cambay (aka Khambhat, Anand district, Gujarat).

**2004**

The Indian Ocean earthquake occurs the morning of December 26, followed by a series of tsunamis over the next seven hours. An estimated 3 million people are affected by this epic-scale effect of an offshore earthquake. Assistance of \$350,000 is provided for shelter and sustenance, and to help restore livelihoods and hope to the survivors in Southern India and Sri Lanka.

**2005**

Hurricane Katrina occurs in August in Louisiana, USA. Share & Care responds with humanitarian donations totaling \$12,500.

**2008**

An ambitious integrated development program – a strategic plan of excellence in educating and empowering women to secure future independence for their families – is launched.

**2007**

Share & Care's 25th Anniversary! Total grants over the 25-year journey exceed \$50 million. | The "Young Adult Group" is developed to involve the next generation of young professionals. | The first Signature Program is launched: Educate 2 Graduate, a loan scholarship program for brilliant but economically challenged students to pursue graduate studies in medical and IT fields. | The first Share & Care chapter is launched in North Carolina. | A three-day medical checkup and wellness camp, conducted by physicians from the U.S., is launched in Bhimora (Surendranagar district, Gujarat) in partnership with a local NGO.

**2006**

Two major initiatives with a focus on long-term change for the future of women and youth in India are introduced: A "Women Empowerment" and "Youth Development" program are both carefully defined as banner initiatives for the organization going forward. | Three-year programs are developed to improve the quality of education. \$200,000 is provided to cover 10,000 students in 2006 and 2007.

**2009**

50 students enroll in the Educate 2 Graduate Signature Program.

**2010**

Share & Care's "Science on Wheels" bus – a traveling school lab – provides science learning to students in remote rural schools.

**2011**

The "Ambassador Program" is launched to encourage and motivate youth to help spread our mission and vision.

**2012**

The first Health and Wellness Fair is held in northern New Jersey and provides free flu shots and screening for blood pressure, diabetes, cholesterol, and BMI to over 200 participants. | A new Signature Program is launched: Healthcare 2 Unreached, a basic primary healthcare program delivered via a multipurpose medical mobile van that travels to remote villages of Rajasthan.

## 2019

Our youth generation, Kids4kids (12–17 years), did a summer internship in India for 2 weeks, daily 7 am to 7 pm, teaching underprivileged students at partner NGOs of SCF's Educate 2 Success Program. Interaction of 2 groups of students from different "worlds" gave an invaluable perspective.

## 2020

SCF distributed meals, masks, & sanitizing material. Set up 5 saree libraries and shipped 4,000+ sarees helping 12K families. Set up Khakhra project and trained 100+ women.

## 2021

Pandemic relief funds of \$800K+ helped 1 million in India and provided meals to over 5,000 families in NY/NJ. Provisioned oxygen concentrators and vaccine drives in 15 states of India.

## 2022

SCF 40th anniversary, succession planning installed the next generation of young leaders. Total grants exceeded \$80 million since inception.

## 2018

Made commitment to bring leaders from younger generation on Board of Trustees and Management Committee. Young members organized our first 5K walk/run to raise awareness for all projects and raised over \$70,000. Fundraiser – Cooking for a Cause, a community event to enhance awareness of women's issues and to raise resources to support Women Empowerment program. Celebrated Mahatma Gandhi and Kasturba's 150th birthday along with the 100th year of Sabarmati Ashram by building a project around their core values.

## 2017

The Gujarat flood occurred in July. Funding is provided for Gujarat Flood Disaster Relief programs. Total grants exceed \$72 million in cash and kind since inception.

## 2016

Educate 2 Graduate celebrates 10 years of reaching out and helping 1,289 worthy scholars attend college. | The fifth Health and Wellness Fair is held in northern New Jersey. | Through our Nirmal Village Program, we built indoor toilets and provided sanitation & hygiene training and education for 770 families living in remote villages of Gujarat.

## 2013

The 5.1 magnitude Uttarakhand earthquake occurs on February 6. Funding is provided for Uttarakhand Earthquake Disaster Relief programs. | A new Signature Program is launched: Educate 2 Success, a program to keep children in school, supports 1,000 economically underprivileged school children in the northeast region of India.

## 2014

A new Signature Program is launched: Women Empowerment. That same year, "Shades of Shakti," a celebration of 17 U.S.-based South Asian women, is honored. | Share & Care launches a new website.

## 2015

The 7.8 magnitude Nepal earthquake occurs on April 25. Funding is provided for Nepal Earthquake Disaster Relief programs. | A new Signature Program is launched: Nirmal Village, a program designed to create awareness of sanitation & hygiene practices in rural India.

# 40 STORIES FOR 40 YEARS

## WOMEN EMPOWERMENT

40 **STORIES**  
for

40 YEARS

To celebrate our more than 40 years of service, we are sharing 40 of our beneficiaries' powerful stories with you — stories of hope, compassion, and determination. We hope these stories inspire you as much as they inspire us.

## HELPING WOMEN DISCOVER



### Lubna is Empowered to Become a Confident Leader

Lubna Qazi, from Srinagar in Kashmir, was a shy college student lacking confidence. She courageously enrolled in the Saamarthya Leadership Misaal Program, supported by Share & Care and Oasis. Each day, Lubna was able to do something new that helped build her confidence and overcome mental barriers she had in place. Through the program, she was offered the opportunity to volunteer to conduct the programs' classes at a boys' school and an orphanage. While she was initially reluctant to step out of her comfort zone and volunteer in new and unfamiliar places, especially ones that were so far from her home and family, Lubna persevered. She continues to give back and participate in Oasis' programs, becoming a regional leader in her city and helping other youth develop their leadership skills. She credits Share & Care and Oasis for helping her become a stronger, braver, more independent person.

"I was shy and introverted earlier, but now I could feel that huge confidence, that new-born courage in myself."

— LUBNA QAZI,  
SHARE & CARE  
WOMEN EMPOWERMENT  
PROGRAM BENEFICIARY



### Saroj Is Making an Impact in Her Community

Saroj Gurjar is a 21-year-old woman from a rural area of Rajasthan. Her family of seven is supported only by her father's farm work, and their financial needs often go unmet. Saroj has been interested in creative activities since childhood, and she learned about the Grameen Vikas Shodh Evam Takniki Kendra (GVSTK) program, supported by Share & Care, in November of 2021. There, she participated in various workshops and learned about many of the issues facing her community, particularly the lack of access to menstrual products among women and girls in her village. These products were unavailable in her village, and women had to travel 5-7 kilometers to purchase them at a great expense.



## THEIR POTENTIAL AND BUILD INDEPENDENT LIVES



### Annapurna Discovers Her Passion for Dance and Thrives

Annapurna Parmar lives in the lepers' community on the outskirts of Ahmedabad in Gujarat. Her father died of leprosy and her mother and grandmother are beggars. Annapurna struggled in school due to instability in her home life, eventually dropping out; however, she was exposed to the arts through the Loving Community Center, the arts community near her home. There, she learned to love dance and was discovered by volunteer and musician, Nimo. He mentored her in the arts and encouraged her to resume her education.

Annapurna re-joined the 9th grade class at Ashram Vinay Mandir School, supported by Share & Care and the Sa-

barmati Ashram Project. There she successfully passed grades 9 through 11, while excelling in dance. She had the opportunity to travel the globe as part of Jai Jagat Tour. Annapurna is in 12th grade, excelling academically, and eagerly awaiting life's opportunities.

**"The ashram has given me a second lease on life. I enjoy dancing and love my hostel life. Even during holidays, I wish to stay here instead of going home. This place will always be my real home."**

— ANNAPURNA PARMAR, SHARE & CARE WOMEN EMPOWERMENT PROGRAM BENEFICIARY

### Upasi Learns How to Increase Farm Yields and Boost Income

Upasi Devi, currently living in the Singhpur village of Uttar Pradesh, wanted to attend school when she was younger. However, due to family circumstances, she was unable to and was married at 12 years old to Akhileshwar Mahto. She worked with Akhileshwar in agriculture, but after they had four children, their financial situation became strained. She became involved with PRADAN, an organization supported by Share & Care, that offers programs dedicated to training local agriculturalists about integrated natural resource and watershed management.

Through these trainings, Upasi learned the best practices for managing her farm and beginning her own fishery to increase her family's income. After implementing the recommendations, Upasi's farm and fishery now generate an additional Rs. 15,000 to 20,000 annually. This income growth has helped Upasi become financially independent and support her children and grandchildren with their educational expenses, enriching the lives of the entire family.



Inspired to get involved, Saroj participated in a two-day training and learned to make sanitary napkins, as well as how to source the raw materials, operate the necessary machines and tools, and market her products. Working with other women who participated in the training, she has produced 250 packets of sanitary napkins, earning an income of Rs. 8,750. Saroj's entrepreneurial spirit has helped her grow and become more independent, allowed her to support her family, and helped provide much-needed goods for other women in her community.



*CLOCKWISE FROM TOP LEFT: Lubna Qazi was able to grow her confidence and now helps other students develop their leadership skills;*

*Annapurna Parmar was able to overcome all obstacles and restart her life with mentorship and support;*

*Upasi Devi received training and recommendations to manage her farm and add a fishery to increase her income substantially;*

*Saroj Gurjar received the training and tools she needed to begin a business providing for her community.*

# 40 STORIES FOR 40 YEARS

## WOMEN EMPOWERMENT



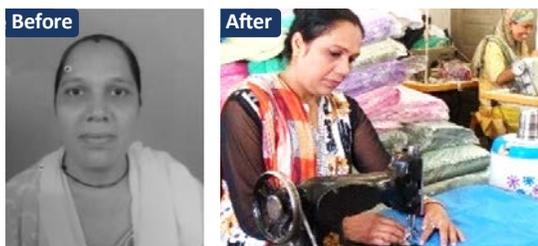
### Juguntara Becomes Self-Sufficient and Achieves Her Dreams

Juguntara is the eldest of three children in her family living in Azamgarh in Uttar Pradesh. Her father left when she was in 10th grade. With the help of her uncles, she was able to complete her intermediate studies, but since it was her responsibility to manage the household expenses, there was no hope for schooling beyond that. In her village, many girls were learning embroidery skills from MWS, supported by Share & Care. Juguntara joined the center in hopes that it could help her earn an income for her family. She began learning, and eventually, she mastered the intricate designs. Her success and desire to help other students allowed her to become a trainer in the center, and she is now earning a comfortable salary,

able to support her mother and siblings. Her financial independence also allowed her to complete her education and earn a computer diploma. Her mother and siblings are so proud, and she is well-respected as an embroidery trainer in her community.

**"I got this job as a trainer right after joining the organization as a trainee. From that day onwards, I never had to ask or beg anything from anybody. Now even my brother has started earning after completing his studies."**

— JUGUNTARA, SHARE & CARE WOMEN EMPOWERMENT BENEFICIARY



**"I am grateful to Share & Care and Project Life for supporting me as a self-reliant, dignified, and confident woman."**

— SONAL CHAUDHARY, SHARE & CARE WOMEN EMPOWERMENT PROGRAM BENEFICIARY

### Sonal Receives the Tools to Become Financially Independent

Sonal Chaudhary and her husband Mohan are both physically disabled and live in rural Ahmedabad in the state of Gujarat. She always found her disability challenging in many aspects of life, but it was particularly challenging financially. Sonal learned about Women Empowerment, supported by Share & Care and the Saurashtra Medical & Educational Charitable Trust (SMECT), and she immediately realized what a ray of hope it could be for her family. With Share & Care's support, Sonal received 12 weeks of vocational training in embroidery, and upon completion, she received her own embroidery machine to begin working independently. She is now leading a dignified life, earning a comfortable income of Rs. 20,000 per month. The vocational training she received, as well as the additional training on budgeting, banking, and gender equality, have empowered Sonal and transformed her life.



### Manjulaben Pools Savings to Increase Her Livelihood

Manjulaben Nareshbhai Pujara earns a living in Gujarat through animal husbandry. She is a founding member of the Shrinayth Mahila Bachat Mandal (savings group), which was formed in 2012 in association with the Anjali Society for Rural Health and Development, supported by Share & Care. These groups allow members to take loans out of the shared savings in order to start or improve their businesses. Manjulaben has taken (and repaid) loans from the group many times to buy buffaloes and cows to increase her



### Kailash Obtains Life-Changing Vocational Training and Support

When Kailash Gajjar lost her husband to a heart attack, she wondered how she would take care of her family on her own: "I was worried as to how I was to live my life with two kids."

Kailash was identified by the team in Gujarat, supported by Share & Care and SMECT, as a candidate for the project's vocational and empowerment training. She opted to enroll in the 12-week catering training program, and upon completion, she received her own catering equipment free of charge. Kailash began her own catering business and now earns around Rs. 25,000 monthly, enough to provide for her family and educate her children. Plus, she now provides job opportunities for other women in her community to earn a living.



**"I am grateful to Share & Care Foundation and SMECT for supporting me to become self-reliant and be able to change my life."**

— KAILASH GAJJAR, SHARE & CARE WOMEN EMPOWERMENT PROGRAM BENEFICIARY

income. She currently has 18 animals, and the financial support from the savings group has helped her construct stables and take excellent care of her animals. Manjulaben is financially independent, netting Rs. 10,000 per month in profits, and is able to meet her needs through her hard work and dedication.



*CLOCKWISE FROM TOP LEFT: Juguntara's talents allowed her to become a trainer and give back to the training program that once taught her; Kailash Gajjar received the support and training needed to open her own catering business, where she is now able to hire others in her community;*

*Neelu Prajapati was trained in embroidery and was able to support her family and keep them afloat during a difficult period;*

*Manjulaben participated in a savings club that has allowed her to increase her income and grow her business.*

### Neelu Receives Holistic Support to Assist Her Family

Neelu Prajapati is the eldest daughter in a family of six living in Azamgarh in Uttar Pradesh. Her family farms on a small plot of land in the Mijwan village. When COVID-19 struck, her father, who worked in construction in Dubai stopped earning money, and at the same time, her mother was diagnosed with a serious illness, requiring costly tests and an urgent operation. Neelu had previously joined the embroidery training program at the Mijwan Welfare Society (MWS), supported by Share & Care.

When faced with these difficult family circumstances, Neelu realized that she needed to take charge of the family, especially their income. Through the program, she was able to receive the mental, social, and financial support she needed to become the backbone of her family. She was offered a large embroidery order to help boost the family's income. Additionally, she received support as she took over her mother's office position to earn more money and safeguard her mother's position for when she recovered. With this support, she has been able to earn Rs. 25,000 in two months to aid her parents and siblings.



# 40 STORIES FOR 40 YEARS

## EDUCATE 2 SUCCESS

### HELPING UNDERSERVED STUDENTS & THEIR FAMILIES

#### Sarvesh Forges a Path to Success in the Engineering Field

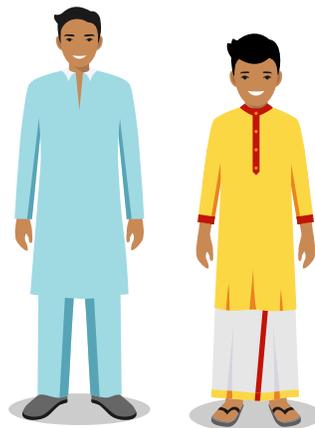
Born in the remote Walke village of Maharashtra, Sarvesh Janardan Mhatre saw many of his peers drop out of school, face addiction, and struggle to earn a living wage. With support from Share & Care, Light of Life Trust (LOLT) ensured that Sarvesh had access to the resources he needed to complete his secondary schooling and make a plan for his future. The career guidance program and counseling sessions

helped him build his confidence and choose a career in engineering. With financial support provided, Sarvesh was able to attend college and complete his degree with excellent marks. He is now working as a Junior Officer for the prestigious Godrej Private Ltd. in Mumbai, earning Rs. 29,000 monthly and reaching his goals and setting new ones each day.



**“Share & Care Foundation and LOLT have given me a new path to live a prosperous and meaningful life. The confidence, motivation, guidance, and sense of purpose to achieve my goal is all because of this opportunity.”**

— SARVESH MHATRE, SHARE & CARE EDUCATE 2 SUCCESS PROGRAM BENEFICIARY



*CLOCKWISE FROM TOP LEFT:*

*Sarvesh Mhatre received the support needed to jumpstart a career in engineering;*

*Sunny Sawant gained new educational opportunities, allowing him to cultivate a hospitality career he loves;*

*Ankita Waghmare was given the support to overcome life's obstacles to become a police constable while completing her education;*

*Pooja, pictured with three of her seven family members, hopes to become a teacher one day.*



#### Sunny Cultivates a Love for Cooking

As one of three children from a poor family in the Walke village in Maharashtra, Sunny Rajendra Sawant had few educational options. His father is a daily wage earner and his income could not support Sunny in his goal to attend college. Through career workshops, classes, and counseling sessions, provided through LOLT and Share & Care, Sunny was able to create a plan to attend college and pursue his bachelor's degree in hospitality management at Ramraje College in Dapoli. He was named a top student in his classes and was regularly acknowledged by faculty for his excellent academic performance. At the young age of 22, Sunny is already on the path to a promising career, and he is currently working at the Lemon Tree Hotel in Mumbai, earning Rs. 27,000 per month. Through support from Share & Care, Sunny has become a role model for everyone in his village, finding his passion, creating a plan, and working hard on the path to success.



## BUILD A BRIGHT, PROMISING FUTURE

### Ankita Rises Above Circumstances to Become a Police Constable

Ankita Baburao Waghmare is one of four daughters born into a tribal community in the Washim District of Maharashtra. Though her home life was not conducive to education, Ankita was an academically excellent student. With support from Share & Care, LOLT has helped Ankita develop her confidence level, communication skills, and career-oriented mindset. Program leaders advocated on her behalf to convince her parents to send her to Amravati City for higher education, where she continued to excel and began preparing for the police recruitment exam. In December 2021, Ankita was appointed as Ladies Police Constable with the Pune Police Department, earning Rs. 25,000 per month, and she is currently working there as well as completing her degree. Her hard work, drive, and will to overcome all obstacles in her way are truly inspiring.



**“With support from the Share & Care Foundation, I was able to develop my personality and get exposure through various activities. I am eternally grateful to be a part of the SCF family.”**

— ANKITA WAGHMARE, SHARE & CARE EDUCATE 2 SUCCESS PROGRAM BENEFICIARY



### Giving Pooja the Peace and Stability to Focus on Her Studies

Pooja Chandu Rathod, a brilliant 8th-grade student with aspirations to become a teacher, lives in a cramped single room with six other family members. Her father is a painter and cannot work during the monsoon season, and Pooja’s mother left when she was very young. Her family lives far below the poverty line, and her father struggles to provide for the large family on his sole income. Through the SPRJ Kanyashala Trust, Pooja was able to receive a scholarship from Share & Care, allowing her to thrive academically and participate in all her school activities. Her tuition, uniform, workbooks, stationery items, bus fees, sports equipment, and technology costs are completely covered, relieving her father of this financial burden. Through this help, Pooja is able to fully participate in her education, free from worry.

# 40 STORIES FOR 40 YEARS

## EDUCATE 2 SUCCESS



### Gayatri Has Hope for a Bright Future

Gayatri Shinde is a 9th-grader who lives with her parents in a rented room in the Asalpa village in Mumbai. She is a sincere and hardworking young girl who loves to dance and excels academically. Two years ago, her father, the sole earner of the family, lost his job, and the family has struggled financially since. Gayatri's family struggles to pay their high rent and costly utility bills, together totaling roughly Rs. 6,500 per month for one small room. With his temporary job, Gayatri's father was unable to pay her school fees, putting her at risk of dropping out. With help from SPRJ Kanyashala Trust, Gayatri received a Share & Care scholarship to cover the cost of her education, and her family will be free of any financial burden associated with it. Now she will be able to finish her schooling successfully, with hopes of one day becoming an Indian Police Service Officer.

**"I am extremely grateful to Share & Care for granting my daughter a scholarship. In a dark phase of my life, your foundation's help was like a ray of hope."**

— FATHER OF GAYATRI SHINDE, SHARE & CARE EDUCATE 2 SUCCESS PROGRAM BENEFICIARY

### Mayuri Is Given the Chance to Excel and Thrive

Mayuri Kaushik Kumar Rawal is a bright, ambitious 8th-grade student in Mumbai. Her father is the sole earner for her family of six, and as a florist making just Rs. 36,000 per year, he struggles to cover basic living expenses, leaving no room in the family's budget for school fees. As an SPRJ Kanyashala Trust student, Mayuri received a scholarship

from Share & Care, allowing her to not only stay in school but to have access to all the resources she needs to thrive. Her scholarship covers her fees, books, shoes, uniforms, stationery, sports equipment, and computer fees. Mayuri is doing exceptionally well in school, and she is active in all of her school's competitions and activities. Share & Care's support allows her to concentrate on her studies and continue working toward her goal of becoming a doctor.



**"Thanks to Share & Care from the bottom of my heart. I will not forget your generosity."**

— MAYURI KAUSHIK KUMAR RAWAL, SHARE & CARE EDUCATE 2 SUCCESS PROGRAM BENEFICIARY

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Gayatri, pictured with her parents, is excelling academically and hopes to become an Indian Police Service Officer one day;

Rohini and Amardeep were given the opportunity to nurture Amardeep's early interest in technology;

Mr. Santosh Telawade received digital training that transformed how he connects with his students;

Sakshee attended trainings to get comfortable with computers and now shares that knowledge with classmates;

Mayuri, pictured with her family, is an exceptional student who aspires to become a doctor.





### Rohini and Amardeep Nurture an Early Interest in Technology

Rohini Prakash Yedke and her little brother, Amardeep, live in Padale in Maharashtra. During the COVID-19 pandemic, Rohini was taking online courses through a Digital Training Resource Center run by Y4D Foundation, supported by Share & Care. During a virtual class, Rohini was asked by her teacher to turn on her camera. When she did, her teacher saw her little brother sitting at her side, fascinated by the computer. When asked about it, Rohini said that he was eager to learn about computers and became curious while attending class with her. Though Amardeep was not in her class or even part of her school, he was allowed to attend sessions and learn more about technology. Amardeep is continuing to build his interest and knowledge, growing in his curiosity each day!



### Sakshee Builds Skills and Confidence to Navigate the Digital World

Sakshee Mundee, a bright and kind 9th-grader, is a member of the Madhyamik Vidyalaya Mhalunge (Padale) digital lab in Maharashtra, supported by Y4D and Share & Care. When she first began taking classes and workshops at the lab, she was hesitant to touch any of the devices, worrying that she might break them. After receiving mentoring and instruction, Sakshee began gradually exploring the computers, and eventually, she was delighted to learn about all of the possibilities available to her through applications like Microsoft Paint, Word, Excel, and more. She now confidently creates spreadsheets, presentations, documents, and more with the help of a computer. Sakshee has improved her skills so much that she now helps other students get more comfortable interacting with technology, and in the future, she aspires to become a computer engineer. Sakshee's ambition, curiosity, and determination are fantastic examples to everyone at the Padale digital lab.



### Mr. Telawade Reaches His Students Using Technology

Mr. Santosh Telawade is a teacher at the ZP school located in Pune in Maharashtra, where the Y4D Foundation has established a digital lab with the support of Share & Care. Initially, like many of the teachers, Mr. Telawade was unfamiliar with the digital resources and online teaching practices. Through teacher trainings at the digital lab, Mr. Telawade now feels much more confident using the computer, and is planning to incorporate software and other online resources into his teaching. He expressed deep gratitude for these new resources and is excited to use technology to connect with his students, help them learn more effectively, and continue to grow his digital skill set to better himself and his students.

# 40 STORIES FOR 40 YEARS

## EDUCATE 2 GRADUATE

### UPLIFTING STUDENTS, FAMILIES, AND COMMUNITIES

#### Suraj Begins a New Tradition of Giving Back

Suraj Gohel, born to a tailor and a housewife, lives in Jivapar, a small village of Rajkot district in Gujarat. He showed academic promise and a hardworking spirit from an early age. Suraj completed the exams at the end of secondary school with excellent grades, securing his admission to the prestigious Institute of Rural Management in Anand. He received an Educate 2 Graduate scholarship through the Sister Nivedita Foundation (SNF), which operates out of Rajkot, allowing him to earn his Master's in Business Administration. He is now working at Vistaar Finance, earning an

annual salary of Rs. 1 million, breaking himself and his family free from the cycle of poverty. While Suraj greatly appreciates the financial support he received during his education, he says that he is most grateful to have learned of the importance of charitable giving. He now plans to donate in perpetuity to help deserving students achieve their dreams, just as he was helped to achieve his.



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#### Helping Muskan Plant the Seeds of Generational Change

Muskan's parents are her biggest inspiration. They reside in Pune, where her father is an electrician and her mother is a homemaker. Throughout her childhood, Muskan watched as her family struggled to make ends meet due to her father's unstable income. When the COVID-19 pandemic struck, their financial situation tightened even more. Muskan saw the emotional stigma attached to her parents' lack of education and the stereotypes associated with her community. Despite this, with unwavering support from her family, she applied to Share & Care's Educate 2 Graduate scholarship program through the Lila Poonawalla Foundation (LPF). Muskan is now working toward her bachelor's degree from the Allana College of Pharmacy, and she is doing extremely well in her studies.

**"I am grateful to LPF and Share & Care for giving me timely support, helping me with my college fees, and bringing me one step closer to my dream and pursuing a career of my choice. Once I start earning, I would love to support girls like me to pursue their dreams and a career of their choice."**

— MUSKAN, SHARE & CARE EDUCATE 2 GRADUATE PROGRAM BENEFICIARY





# — ONE COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP AT A TIME



## Single Scholarship Empowers Varsha's Entire Family

As a child, Varsha Baraiya loved music, painting, henna art, and cooking. She was a fantastic student, and she loved helping her siblings study and succeed in school, too. She aspired to become a doctor, and her hard work in school paid off, earning her a place in the K.J. Mehta General Hospital and College of Medical Sciences in Gujarat. Despite her successful admission to the college, Varsha and her family were concerned about expenses. Varsha's parents were poor farm workers, earning far too little to pay for her medical education, but they were diligent in searching for a way

to send her. Varsha learned about the Educate 2 Graduate scholarship program and Sister Nivedita Foundation from a friend, and she excitedly applied. Her application was accepted, and she completed her degree. She now earns a comfortable salary of Rs. 57,000 per month, six times more than her father ever earned. However, Varsha spends most of her money helping her family pay off their debts, and she is supporting her siblings financially as they complete their own schooling.



## Umang Builds an Award-Winning Electric Bicycle

Umang Marsonia is a brilliant recipient of an Educate 2 Graduate scholarship, distributed through the Sister Nivedita Foundation in Rajkot. Umang had a keen interest in electrical engineering, hoping to work in the field one day, but the fees for his education were too high for his parents to afford without help. With an E2G scholarship of Rs. 40,000 annually, he was able to complete his bachelor's degree in technology earlier this year from V.V.P. Engineering College in Pune.

miles on a single charge. Umang received recognition for his e-cycle at the "E-Mobility: An Approach to Green Energy" conference hosted by the Devang Mehta Foundation. Despite fierce competition from his peers, his project won the first-place prize of Rs. 100,000. Umang's work will make transportation more affordable and environmentally friendly, causing an immeasurable ripple effect.



During his time there, Umang excelled in his studies, and under the direction of a few of his main professors, he designed and built an electric bicycle that could carry up to 375 pounds for almost 40

Umang is currently working as an automotive engineer for KPIT Engineering in Pune. He reflects on the support he received from Share & Care and SNF often and credits them with his success. He plans to give back to the program, helping other deserving students achieve their dreams.



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Suraj Gohel earned an MBA with the support of an E2G scholarship;  
Varsha Baraiya is able to support her family on the salary she now earns as a medical officer;  
Umang Marsonia won a competition for his electronic bicycle built during his time as an E2G scholar;  
Muskan received an E2G scholarship to study at the Allana College of Pharmacy.

# 40 STORIES FOR 40 YEARS

## EDUCATE 2 GRADUATE



### Manju Creates a Ripple Effect Throughout Her Community

Manju is a nurse at Sree Balaji Medical College and hospital in Chennai who works tirelessly to help vulnerable patients get the care they need. Her father is an agricultural farmer, earning just Rs. 6,000 per month, so growing up, Manju struggled to afford books and other items required for school. There was little hope that she would be able to pursue higher education until she learned of the Educate 2 Graduate scholarships, funded by Share & Care and administered by Kalanjyam. The kindness and support she received later inspired her during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Manju was part of the first line of defense when the pandemic struck, caring for children in the pediatric ward. She felt helpless when she saw children dying because their parents could not afford to send them elsewhere for more advanced treatment. Manju reflected on the training and support she received through the E2G program, and she decided to apply that model and do her best to help these families. She found various financial trusts and connected them with the parents of sick children. Her work saved many young lives. The scholarship Manju received not only financially supported her throughout nursing school, but also gave her the motivation and skills to create an impact in her community.



**“The purpose of life is not to be happy. It is to be useful, to be honorable, to be compassionate, to have it make some difference that you have lived and lived well.”**

— RALPH WALDO EMERSON

### Securing Sakhiya's Future

Sakhiya Yagnik Pravinbhai, from Surat, was able to pursue a degree in Technology using Educate 2 Graduate scholarship funds administered through Higher Education Support Trust. His father is employed as a diamond worker, earning Rs. 110,000 yearly. After graduating in 2021, Sakhiya began working at Sprinklr in Bangalore, earning an annual salary of Rs. 3 million.





### Patel and His Family Rise Above Adversity

Patel Kuldeep Jashubhai, from Mehsana, finished his secondary course of study with high grades, and through Educate 2 Graduate funding administered through the Higher Education Support Trust (HEST), he was able to successfully complete his education in Information and Communication Technology. His father had separated from the family and his mother did not work, so the family's income was just Rs. 12,000 per year, provided by his sister. An example of a student rising up from the poorest segment of society, after graduating in 2017, Patel secured a job with Amazon, initially earning Rs. 2.7 million. After 4 years there, he began working with Google, earning an annual salary of Rs. 10 million.



### Helping Mrudula's Family Make Ends Meet

When Mrudula's father passed away, her mother struggled financially and began looking for assistance to keep the family afloat. Mrudula was an excellent student, earning great results on her 12th grade exams. Knowing that her mother wouldn't be able to pay for her higher education, she applied for an Educate 2 Graduate scholarship administered through the Lila Poonawalla Foundation, and she was selected. She has been making the most of this opportunity, participating in all of the skill-building and training activities available to her. She is currently working toward her bachelor's degree in computer science from the MIT Institute of Art, Design, and Technology in Loni Kalbhor, Pune.

### Making Dipa's Dream of Becoming a Doctor a Reality

Dipa Ruparel knew from an early age that she wanted to become a doctor. She excelled throughout her school years, and her performance on her 12th grade exams earned her admission to medical school. However, her family's difficult financial situation presented a barrier to her attendance. Her father, the only wage earner in the family, owns a small shop in Junagadh in Gujarat, but his salary of Rs. 75,000 per year just covered the basic expenses for their household of five. When looking for a way to make her dreams a reality, Dipa found the Sister Nivedita Foundation and learned about the opportunity to apply for an Ed-

ucate 2 Graduate scholarship. She was delighted, and Share & Care's support allowed her to attend. She earned a place at the top of her class each year, and Dr. Dipa Ruparel and her husband now operate their own clinic in Ahmedabad and have opened a new hospital as well. The support Dipa received throughout medical school ensured her bright future, and she alone now earns ten times her family's original income each year. She is so grateful to Share & Care to be able to live out her dream of working as a doctor.



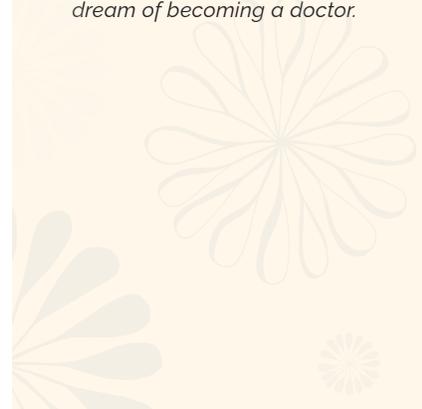
*CLOCKWISE FROM TOP LEFT: Manju applied the E2G support model in her nursing practice, saving lives and helping children;*

*Sakhiya now earns nearly 30 times as much as his father working at Sprinklr in Bangalore;*

*Patel now earns an annual salary of Rs. 10 million working at Google;*

*Mrudula is studying to become a computer engineer thanks to an E2G scholarship;*

*Dipa Ruparel is now living her dream of becoming a doctor.*



# 40 STORIES FOR 40 YEARS

## HEALTHCARE 2 UNREACHED

### PROVIDING LIFE-SAVING, COMPASSIONATE CARE TO



#### Whole Family Benefits From Mobile Medical Clinic Care

Mercy Kom, 58, resides in Kharam Thadoi, a remote village in Manipur. She suffered from diabetes and hypertension, and due to the lack of healthcare infrastructure in her village, she had received no treatment for these issues. The Rural Health Organization Mobile Medical Clinic, funded by Share & Care, began helping Mercy in December 2019. She began attending regular clinic visits and taking medication, provided to her free of cost. She also benefited from nutritional, exercise, and stress management advice, helping her bring

**“This health program is a boon to my family. We have received all necessary health care services through this program. I and my family thank the Rural Health Organization and Share & Care Foundation for this health program in such a remote, hilly village.”**

— MERCY KOM, SHARE & CARE HEALTHCARE 2 UNREACHED PROGRAM BENEFICIARY

her blood glucose and blood pressure levels back into a healthy range. Her daughter-in-law, Jangneirose, has also received vital care from this project during her pregnancy. She benefited from free prenatal checkups and immunizations, helping her deliver a healthy baby. Mercy, Jangneirose, and the newest member of the family continue to receive preventative care to help them live whole, healthy lives.



#### Jayshree Receives Life-Saving Early Cancer Detection

When Jayshree Manojbhai Lalkiya went in for her regular mammogram at the Rajkot Cancer Society, supported by Share & Care, she had no symptoms or indications that anything was wrong and was unaware of any family history of cancer. However, her results showed that she had stage one breast cancer, so she sought immediate treatment. Her early cancer diagnosis made her treatment plan significantly easier and likely saved her life.





## INDIA'S MOST VULNERABLE



### Struggling Mother Receives Above and Beyond Care

One mother gave birth in the SEWA Rural Hospital in the Aanjoli village of Gujarat, which receives support from Share & Care. The child was underweight, so she was admitted to the Sick Newborn Care Unit. Once she had begun growing more normally, the baby and mother were sent home. Hospital staff checked in regularly with them, but when the baby was 16 months old, they became unable to get in contact with the mother. Worrying for their safety, hospital staff tried for three months to locate the mother and child. When they found them, the child's condition was severe. The child was suffering from severe anemia and malnutrition, pneumonia, and convulsions, and the mother was suffering from depression due to her husband's alcoholism, abuse, and neglect. Hospital staffers were able to transfer the mother and child to a healthcare facility, provide treatment, and monitor them both until they were stable. The mother and child are both safe and healthy now, and through their compassion and dedication, the hospital staff members were able to save their lives.

### Vulnerable Adolescents Like Diveyesh Receive Preventative Screenings

The SEWA Adolescent Health and Empowerment program, supported by Share & Care, monitors the health of children living in rural areas. One such child is Diveyesh Mahendra Vasava, a 10-year-old tribal boy from Nana Andhra. During one of his screenings, staff members diagnosed Diveyesh with sickle cell disease. After Diveyesh's diagnosis, the organization encouraged his parents to be screened as well, and they were both found to carry the sickle cell trait. Staff members were able to connect the family with government resources to help them afford treatment, and because of the early intervention he received, Diveyesh is a healthy, bright child.



#### CLOCKWISE FROM TOP LEFT:

*Mercy with her daughter-in-law and grandchild, all of whom receive care from the Rural Health Organization Mobile Medical Clinic;*

*Mother and child received critical follow-up care from the SEWA Rural Hospital, saving both of their lives;*

*After receiving treatment for his sickle cell disease, Diveyesh is now thriving;*

*Jayshree was able to receive prompt treatment because her breast cancer was discovered early.*

# 40 STORIES FOR 40 YEARS

## HEALTHCARE 2 UNREACHED



### Kiran Overcomes Hopelessness To Live An Intentional Life

After Kiran Chavan's younger brother was wrongly imprisoned, he began to feel himself slipping into a place of hopelessness, wondering why bad things happen to good people. He lost his confidence and eventually succumbed to depression. During this difficult time, he learned about Chetana's virtual webinars about mental health, and he decided to attend one. There, he learned about cognitive behavioral skills to help him learn to accept his feelings and overcome his depression. He is now practicing these skills, working to live an intentionally stress-free life.

### Surabhi Benefits From Compassion and Empathy

When Surabhi realized that she could no longer handle her depression alone, she found the Chetana Empower Foundation, supported by Share & Care. She attended a free webinar and took advantage of five counseling sessions. Program counselors offered a compassionate ear, listening to her struggles and teaching her skills to manage and overcome her negative thoughts. She is now feeling more fulfilled and present in her life.

**"I could never in my lifetime forget all the teachings by you. You listened to me very patiently when I was in depression and with your love and empathy, I was able to escape the darkness. Now, I enjoy every little thing."**

— SURABHI, SHARE & CARE  
EDUCATE 2 SUCCESS  
PROGRAM BENEFICIARY



#### CLOCKWISE FROM TOP LEFT:

*Kiran is now living a lower-stress life, having been equipped with the skills to manage difficult situations and emotions;*

*Nita's participation in the Cancer Awareness Program convinced her to undergo a pap smear, and her cancer's early detection helped her get access to the right treatments;*

*Hemalatha and her child continue to receive support from the RICH program, ensuring that they are both healthy.;*

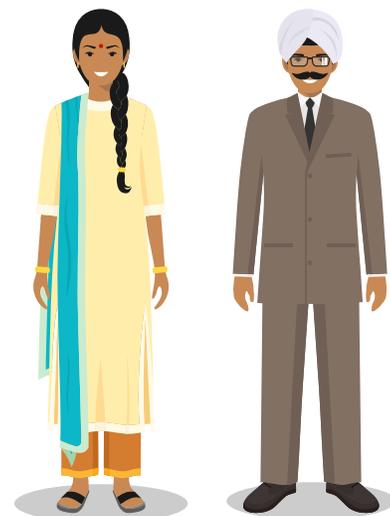
*After learning skills for managing negative thoughts and feelings, Surabhi now feels happier and is able to be more present in each moment.*





### **Nita Is Living Cancer-Free Thanks to Awareness and Early Detection Programs**

Prior to completing the Rajkot Cancer Society's Cancer Awareness Program, Nita Vipulbhai Kakasaniya had not been aware of the importance of pap smear tests for detecting cervical cancer. After receiving this preventative education, she underwent the test. Her results, followed by a colposcopy and biopsy, confirmed her cervical cancer. Because her condition was discovered early in its progression, she was able to start treatment immediately, and she is now living her life cancer-free.



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### **Hemalatha and Her Baby Provided With Ongoing Care and Support**



Hemalatha is a young mother in Chennai in Tamil Nadu. When she became pregnant, she began receiving care from the Kalanjiam Right Information Community Health (RICH) program, which is supported by Share & Care. Not only did she receive prenatal counseling and medical visits during her pregnancy, she also benefited from advice and support from program staff after she gave birth. They assisted her with her concerns regarding breastfeeding, proper infant nutrition, and preventative healthcare for her baby. Hemalatha is enjoying a healthy postpartum recovery, and her baby is strong and healthy due to the support she has been provided.

**“I think what they are doing is very important, as many women do not have enough awareness on these issues and do not even follow the advice of a doctor. Repeated follow-up and counseling help women adopt healthy and correct practices. The women in our village have been greatly benefited by this program, and we thank you wholeheartedly.”**

— HEMALATHA, SHARE & CARE HEALTHCARE 2 UNREACHED PROGRAM BENEFICIARY

# 40 STORIES FOR 40 YEARS

## VILLAGE UPLIFTMENT / DISASTER RELIEF

### CREATING GENUINE CONNECTION, BUILDING COMMUNITY,

#### Farukh Unlocks the Power of Compassion and Collaboration

Farukh Menon is a Lokmitra, or "friend of the people," serving with the Environmental Sanitation Institute (ESI), supported by Share & Care, in the village of Chadotar in Gujarat. As a Lokmitra, Farukh strives to sow the seeds of connection, cooperation, and compassion to uplift his village. Here are just a few of the ways he has brought community members together:

- When a young woman's husband passed away unexpectedly, she fell into a deep depression. Farukh began visiting her daily, offering a listening ear, and he encouraged other villagers to visit her regularly as well. After some time getting to know her, Farukh worked with her to organize a sari library in her home, helping her find a renewed sense of purpose and giving her a reason to re-integrate with her community.
- Farukh is dedicated to providing the children of Chadotar with a role model and helping them experience new opportunities. He planned an outing for them to visit the Gandhi Ashram, where they learned about peace and

non-violence. For many of the children, this was the first time they had ever left their village, and this experience will help them be more courageous, confident, and open-minded when facing new challenges.

- When a boy's mother was injured, she could no longer work to afford his school books. When Farukh heard about this, he collaborated with villagers to open a new library where students could collectively read, study, and learn together. The boy now had access to the necessary books, and studying alongside other students helped him focus and become more successful in his schoolwork. He is currently continuing to excel in school, and he is working to support his mother as well.



#### Nauka Empowers Other Women to Realize Their Potential

Women in rural India are often relegated to strict gender roles, limiting their ability to use their talents and enjoy independence. Nauka Ben is a Lokmitra serving with ESI, supported by Share & Care, in the Kada village of Gujarat. She saw the untapped potential of the women in her community, and she devised a plan to carve out a path of independence for them. Nauka organized a training program to teach women to make khakhras, a type of thin cracker common to Gujarati cuisine. Around 30 women participated in the training, learning to make the best quality khakhras while also learning how to grow their businesses and manage their finances. Within 30 days, the women were able to generate sales of Rs. 7,000-8,000. This training, supported by Share & Care and facilitated by Nauka, helped these women realize their potential and become more financially independent.

*CLOCKWISE FROM TOP LEFT (VILLAGE UPLIFTMENT):*

*Farukh Menon and other members of the Chadotar community set up a sari library in a young widow's home to help her find new purpose and connections; Bhupat has provided vocational training to numerous women, teaching the jewelry-making and stitching trades; Anil encouraged families in his village to grow their own fruits and vegetables in organic gardens; Women from the Kada village participated in khakhra-making training, led by Nauka, a Lokmitra who saw their untapped potential.*

*DISASTER RELIEF: To grow her business, Tejal Rawal employed other women from the Khakhra Training Program.*



## AND SPARKING LASTING CHANGE

### Bhupat Teaches New Skills, Creating Bright Futures

Recently, 25 women received life-changing vocational training from Bhupat Bhai, a Lokmitra serving with ESI, supported by Share & Care, in the village of Lilapur in Gujarat. A total of 12 women received training in the jewelry trade, while 13 received training in stitching. Bhupat received support both from Share & Care and the Government of India to conduct this training, and the skills the women learned during the process helped them to increase their confidence, become financially independent, and gain enough stability to pursue their dreams and uplift their communities. Many of the women are now working for businesses within India, operating their own businesses from their homes, or continuing to hone their skills through training.



**“All our dreams can come true if we have the courage to pursue them.”**

### Anil Fosters Confidence and Independence Through Gardening

Anil Bhai is a Lokmitra serving with ESI, supported by Share & Care, in the village of Waghjipur in Gujarat. Anil is passionate about nutrition, and upon learning about the benefits of natural farming, he decided to engage his community



through organic gardening. He encouraged the villagers to start growing their own food by setting an example, growing food in his own kitchen garden.

Though the villagers were not convinced of the benefits of farming their own produce at first, they were interested in his garden. Anil began sharing his seeds with a few families that were ready to start their own gardens, and eventually, the entire community started exchanging seeds and working to grow their own fruits and vegetables. Over the past few months, 15 families have become completely sustained by their gardening efforts, enjoying the produce grown, the money saved, and the sense of independence it brings.

**“Change is hard at first, messy in between, and beautiful at the end.”**

## DISASTER RELIEF

### Tejal Builds a Thriving Business Alongside Other Female Artisans

Tejal is a determined woman living in the Kada Village in Gujarat. She graduated from college with many ambitions, but marriage and children prevented her from finding full-time employment. The pandemic only exacerbated these hardships. The Khakhra Training Program, supported by Share & Care and Gramshree Trust, was truly transformative for her, allowing her to become an expert in the art of khakhra making. Tejal learned to cook all different types of khakhra, and following Indian tradition, she offered them to neighbors and extended family.



Word quickly spread about Tejal's delicious khakhras, and she began earning Rs. 5,500 by working only three hours a day. Her entrepreneurship was paying off, and she began visiting the training center to take on other trained women to become part of her team. Together, they have built a thriving business. Tejal's confidence, diligence, and passion have not only grown her income substantially, but she has also become an inspiration to the other homemakers in her community, showing them that they too can become self-reliant. Tejal's next goal is to begin producing khakhras on a large scale, boosting her village's economy.

# YOUNG PROFESSIONAL COMMITTEE



*Members of Share & Care's Young Professional Committee gather for a photo.*

## **Our Mission**

The Young Professional Committee (YPC) is a group of passionate individuals from all over the country with a mission to volunteer and fundraise for the causes Share & Care supports, while fostering a community for members to connect over their combined passions for nonprofit work. With a diverse makeup that includes entrepreneurs, doctors, performers, students, business professionals, and more, the committee hosts seasonal events for its members, sponsors, and potential new volunteers.



## Recent Projects

In 2022, YPC partnered with Y4D Foundation to build a digital literacy lab in Uttar Pradesh. The lab provides vital technical resources and digital literacy education to more than 1,000 students and teachers. Entry into the modern job market is contingent on these skills, and equipping both students and teachers bridges the digital divide between the opportunities available to private school students and those given to public school students.



Leaning into online fundraising, YPC began hosting its annual online poker tournament in 2021 to raise money for the signature programs. An exciting evening of competition, the event has brought in a cumulative \$35,000 and continues to be a resounding success year after year. During the height of the Covid crisis in India, YPC members established partnerships with brands such as AARYAH and Asana Soul Practice to offer virtual experiences or specific items to our donors where 100% of proceeds went toward disaster relief.



The Young Professional Committee is looking forward to returning to in-person fundraising with another cocktail fundraiser to look forward to in 2024! ●

**Want to get involved?**  
Email us at [ypc@shareandcare.org](mailto:ypc@shareandcare.org).



TOP: Share & Care's Young Professional Committee partnered with Y4D Foundation to build a digital literacy lab for students in Uttar Pradesh;

MIDDLE: Students draw on a newly-installed smartboard;

BOTTOM: The Young Professional Committee's online poker tournaments have raised more than \$35,000.

## The Road to Hope: Share & Care Kids4Kids Team Bridges Continents for a Brighter Future

Over the past year, the dedicated Share & Care Kids4Kids (K4K) members have graciously donated their time and energy into transforming the lives of students in India to help them escape the cycle of poverty. This past year, K4K has raised nearly \$75,000 and helped 700 students through partnerships with The Apprentice Project (TAP) and the SPRJK Trust. While working with TAP, the K4K team has been able to help 500 students with self-learning-based electives using WhatsApp. This program teaches students concepts such as computer science, performing arts, and financial literacy

to equip them with the skills needed for future jobs. In collaboration with the SPRJK Trust, K4K has helped 200 girls with tuition fees, e-learning opportunities, and athletics coaching.

To support these programs, the Kids4Kids team collaborated with local businesses in the NYC Metropolitan area to raise funds. The K4K team prides themselves on being able to bring together the community for a good cause through their various fundraising endeavors. Past partnerships with local businesses include their CycleBar event in June 2023.



The Kids4Kids team has hosted a number of share night fundraisers, including a class at CycleBar.



Kids4Kids hosted a spin workout class to raise money in an active and sporty way. They also partnered with Chipotle to donate one-third of an evening's profits.

In the summer of 2023, K4K members Rhea Shah, Rehan Shah, Shivam Modani, Rhyan Maru, Aarav Gandhi, Arhaan Gandhi, Soha Mehta, and Yuvraj Mehta visited India for two weeks to volunteer at the Light of Life Trust in Mumbai. Here, they had the chance to interact with 40 students K4K is working to support. The K4K members taught the students how to use computer programs such as Google Documents, Google Slides, Microsoft Word, Canva, and Google Sheets, as well as different types of art. At the end of the program, each volunteer chipped in to give each of the 40 students a backpack for school and a sponsorship to participate in an upcoming marathon fundraiser. These volunteers took the mission of helping students in India one step further by actively involving themselves in changing students' lives.



*Kids4Kids members spent two weeks this summer volunteering with the Light of Life Trust in Mumbai, teaching art and technology skills.*





K4K truly commends them for their true dedication to this cause.

To continue building on their mission of bringing people together for a good cause, K4K hosted their Bollywood and Hollywood Scavenger Hunt in September 2022 to support students in India. This fundraiser brought together more than 60 people for an engaging afternoon to support their mission. Attendees were split up into teams and asked to find various clues related to pop culture and movies in exchange for prizes and bragging rights. This event was by far the most successful event since K4K's inception. They also sold K4K merchandise – t-shirts and card cases – to attendees so they can represent the team and its mission, wherever they go.

*The Kids4Kids committee organized a Scavenger Hunt fundraiser, complete with a themed cake for the event.*

## 2023-2024 Committee Members

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Rehan Shah  
*Project Fundraising Coordinator*

Rhea Shah  
*Volunteer Coordinator*



*Members of the Kids4Kids team pose with volunteers and winners of their recent Make A Difference 5K Walk/Run.*



Most recently, the Kids4Kids team hosted Share & Care's Make A Difference 5K Walk/Run on October 8th to raise funds to help guarantee basic rights like education, healthcare, and independent living for women and children in rural India. Together with their sponsors, donors, runners, and volunteers, the K4K team raised more than \$50,000!

Behind their successful events and service, lie their dedicated members who selflessly donate their time and energy to supporting our mission of ending the cycle of poverty in India through educating and empowering all students. The K4K Committee, composed of 10 high school students, leads their team of more than 85 students in the NYC Metropolitan area working to make a difference in the world.



Members of the Kids4Kids team pose for a group photo at their Scavenger Hunt fundraiser.



Members of Share & Care's K4K have generously donated their time to organizing these fundraisers that are always remembered fondly by attendees. Additionally, members have graciously spent time volunteering to help spread the message through social media such as our Instagram (**@scfkids4kids**) and TikTok (**@shareandcareorg**). Their social media presence has helped them raise funds, recruit new members, and show the world how important their mission is.

We want to wish a heartfelt thank you to everyone who has supported K4K. Your support is transforming the lives of hundreds of students, and we hope that you continue participating in K4K events and helping spread our message. If you have any questions, or if you would like to become a member of Kids4Kids, please email **kids@shareandcare.org**.

**Keep In Touch**  
Follow along with us on social media!  
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"Home Away From Home"

## Message from Padma Shri Dr H R Shah Chairman & CEO, TV Asia



I would like to congratulate the Chairman, President, Board of Directors and all members of Share & Care Foundation on the occasion of its 41st Annual Gala and Fundraiser on Nov 4 in New Jersey.

I am particularly happy about this year's theme: "**Harmony for Humanity.**" It is our responsibility to maintain harmony despite differences in our cultural, socioeconomic and religious backgrounds.

I applaud your more than four decades of volunteerism in the education, health and cultural aspects of service in the remote, rural areas of India and your nonstop efforts to uplift the most marginalized members of the society.

Your organization's work on so many projects in various states of India is much appreciated by thousands of people. I personally know how Share & Care has stepped up to provide humanitarian aid during major disasters not just in India, but in other countries including Sri Lanka and the United States.

Share & Care's initiatives in facilitating scholarship programs for students, special programs for underprivileged women and the youth, provision of grants for state-of-the-art medical facilities and procedures as well as donations of medical equipment to areas most in need are among its most praiseworthy programs. Such initiatives have helped make life so much better for so many.

I wish you much success with your 41st fundraiser, which I am certain will bring in additional resources that Share & Care will put to good use in many more noble projects to come. Congratulations again to all of you. TV Asia has been with you from its own inception and is always with you in your effort to improve the lives of others. If there is anything we can do now and in the future to support, please count on us.

Congratulations again and my very best wishes.

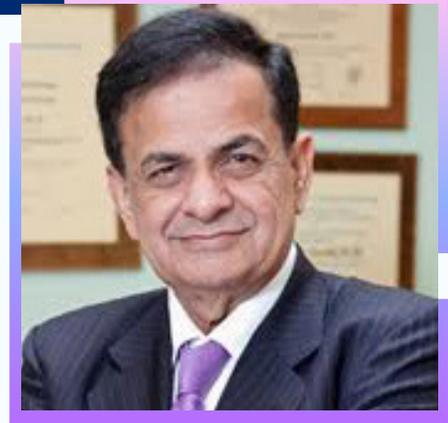
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**Sudhir M. Parikh, M.D.**

## MESSAGE

My heartfelt congratulations to the Share & Care Foundation on their 41st Annual Gala and Fundraiser this November 4

I'm proud of the fact that I've been a part of this terrific organization since its inception in 1982. Today, they are counted as one of the top philanthropic organizations helping under privileged people in India.

Share & Care is also one of the very few foundations in the United States recognized by the U.S. Agency for International Development.

I've seen the organization grow over the decades, spread their wings and gather resources for the deserving, economically challenged women and children by partnering with communities, philanthropists and local charitable organizations. Last year, 2022, with great foresight, implemented a succession plan by bringing in the Next Generation of leaders and elected members to rejuvenate the organization at every level, from the Management Committee, to the Board of Trustees and as President.

In many ways, Share & Care is the epitome of the cohesion of private and public aid that is required in rural parts of India.

The government of India has been trying hard under the leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi to build more toilets. Of the 600 million people in India who did not have access to an indoor toilet and proper sanitation, more than 80% lived in remote villages. Modi's Swaccha Bharat Abhiyan initiative has had enormous success with women in rural areas becoming safer and sanitation better. And Share & Care's Nirmal Village Program was designed with the purpose of creating awareness of hygiene and sanitation practices in rural India, to teach people the importance of maintenance of such toilets too.

I'm also proud of Share & Care's Educate 2 Success Program, which gives a second chance to children to advance in life, not stay in poverty perpetually. This program helps school dropouts with the support to re-enroll and complete their education. Your Kids4kids (13-18 years) program of summer internships in India with NGOs provides the young in both countries to gain invaluable perspectives.

Share and Care provided more than \$800,000 in pandemic relief funds in the crucial year 2021, helping a million people in India; Help included oxygen concentrators, vaccine drives, and other works.

I'm also a huge supporter of Share & Care's efforts to empower women. Over the years many new programs include vocational training; financial management skills; self-defense lessons; confidence training – to help undo the traditional mindset of inferiority their communities have instilled in them; and gender equality education for both boys and girls from a young age to change the way women are viewed in society. During COVID, SCF's distribution of meals, masks, & sanitizing material, as well as the saree libraries, and the Khakhra training project helped many women.

I wish Share & Care the very best for their future endeavor.

### **Sudhir M. Parikh, M.D.**

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Knights of Malta 2012

September 13, 2023



## Investment in Human Capital Transforms 12 Village Communities

Mahatma Gandhi's famous quote about service resonates with so many of us, but especially with social workers serving the needy in villages across India. In 2016, we recognized a dire need to invest in human capital to serve and uplift entire communities. We, with the support of NGOs on the ground, developed the plan of placing trained Lokmitras, or "Friends of

**affecting the entire community**, particularly in the areas of sanitation, community health, substance abuse, education, animal husbandry, farming, infrastructure development, and more. Lokmitras also serve as a liaison between the village and local and state governments, ensuring that villagers have access to all of the resources to which they are entitled.

**"The best way to find yourself is to lose yourself in the service of others."**

— MAHATMA GANDHI

the People," in rural villages. These Lokmitras are college graduates passionate about serving others, and their goals would be to **bring awareness of and develop solutions to issues**

Environmental Sanitation Institute (ESI), an NGO partner of Share & Care, operates out of Sugadh, Gujarat, and was established in 1985 by the late Padmashri Ishwarbhai Patel. It was based on Gandhian principles of environmentalism and the upliftment of the poor by improving sanitation. It is a key resource center for the Government of India and conducts various training programs in sanitation, education, healthcare, childcare, and more for government officials, students, and teachers. It also served as a source of guidance for our Lokmitra initiative since the organization had already



A Lokmitra gathers with children in his village to plant trees. With the help of youth in their villages, ESI Lokmitras planted 10,000 trees in more than 15 villages to improve air quality in the area.



*A Lokmitra counsels a woman and her children. Lokmitras aim to bring awareness of and develop solutions to issues affecting the communities they serve.*

carried out a successful pilot model of the program in other villages.

Four years ago, Share & Care invested in human capital, placing 12 Lokmitras in 12 different villages of Gujarat. **They have touched thousands of lives and served villagers in visible and invisible ways over these past four years, especially during the COVID-19 pandemic.** These Lokmitras, eight male and four female college graduates, have dedicated themselves to nurturing and transforming the communities they serve on multiple levels. During the pandemic, they provided education to their communities about preventative health practices, facilitated vaccination drives, continued teaching children during lockdowns, and organized character-building activities for youth. They have also promoted sustainable animal husbandry,

organic farming, and water harvesting practices to help families provide for themselves during difficult times.

### **Raising Awareness and Creating a Sustainable Impact**

Below are just a few of the ways that the Lokmitras have been hard at work transforming the villages in which they serve:

- Introduced a new initiative to **identify and recruit 9 Shikshak Mitras (“teacher friends”)** to provide supplemental education to children experiencing learning gaps.
- Conducted a Karuna Care Yatra initiative, using 3 dedicated vehicles to host coronavirus vaccination drives across 27 villages, benefiting 60,000 people. In the 12 villages they serve, the **Lokmitras achieved an astounding 98% vaccination rate.**
- In collaboration with Disaster Relief initiatives and our Women Empowerment Signature Program, the Lokmitras organized five sari libraries and started a khakhra center, which employs 15 widows.
- **Planted 10,000 trees** in 15 villages to increase air quality.



*Bhupat Bai, a Lokmitra in the village of Lilapur, leads a stitching training for 13 women in July 2022. These women are now using these skills to earn an income and provide for their families.*



- Arranged health check-ups for women, inspired 30 youth to donate blood, facilitated cataract operations for village elderly, and distributed N95 masks, health kits, groceries, and oxygen cylinders to those in need.
- **Prompted the Education Department of Gujarat State to commit to building and running a model school in one of the villages**, bringing infrastructure and manpower support worth more than Rs. 1 million.
- Spread awareness on the importance of water harvesting through well recharging, and in doing so, **inspired the State Bank of India to commit Rs. 2.5 million of Corporate Social Responsibility funds for water harvesting** in one of the villages.
- Provided basic knowledge, life skills, and education to village children while schools were closed.
- Spurred thousands of youth attending National Service Scheme camps to replicate the Lokmitras programs in 75 villages, even across state lines, and planted seeds of love, kindness, and community service.

The successes of the Lokmitras have convinced philanthropists as well as local and state government authorities to become stakeholders in this program, securing funds and support to ensure that the Lokmitras can continue to uplift their villages. The continuous presence of these Lokmitras has inspired several institutions to provide close to Rs. 2 crores in financial support to transform these villages. **Our three-year experiment of investing in human capital to sustainably develop village communities is bearing fruits, with this initiative prompting a ripple effect throughout the state and nation.** ●



Two men build a rainwater harvesting structure. Inspired by the work and commitment of Lokmitras, the State Bank of India committed Rs. 2.5 million for water harvesting in one of their villages.

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# HEALTHCARE 2 UNREACHED



## Providing Treatment and Preventative Care to India's Most Vulnerable



*The Rural Health Organization medical team, ASHA health worker, and volunteers.*

Villages in the Imphal West and Kangpokpi districts of Manipur are hilly and remote, with no public transportation and few adequate roads. The people living in these villages are primarily farmers or daily wage earners with no way to access health facilities. Due to their isolation, socioeconomic status, and lack of access, villagers in this area have little knowledge of health, hygiene, and sanitation, resulting in poor healthcare outcomes.

To address this need, the Rural Health Organization, supported by Share & Care, began the Healthcare for the Underserved initiative, which aims to **promote the health of newborns, children, adolescents, pregnant and nursing women, and the general public by providing healthcare services and conducting health awareness programs.** The project provides services to all sections of the population through Mobile Medical Clinics, which meet patients where they are to provide treatments and preventative care. These clinics primarily offer check-ups for infants and children, pre- and postnatal care for mothers, vaccinations for children and pregnant women, and family planning services. This project also brings the community together to learn about health through reproductive and sexual health programs for adolescents, health awareness sessions for people of all ages, and monthly community meetings where all villages come together to discuss healthy habits.



*A mother and her infant receive care and guidance during a monthly mother and child health program.*



An ASHA health worker distributes medication and supplements to pregnant women.

During the COVID-19 pandemic, the medical teams increased their efforts and began providing virtual health consultations, free medications, nutritional supplements, and family planning materials. Onsite local health workers (ASHAs) played a major role in the program's implementation and success by delivering many of these resources directly to patients. To reduce community spread, the teams also **organized community awareness programs on the prevention of COVID-19 transmission** by demonstrating proper handwashing and sanitation techniques and distributing free face masks, hand sanitizer, and soap to villagers.

**Share & Care's support has been vital in covering the Healthcare for the Underserved project costs**, including the implementation of the project, medications, and health awareness programs. ●



Lairenkhabi villagers attend a monthly community meeting to learn about the public health issues affecting their neighbors.



Beneficiaries pose for a photo after the monthly community health awareness meeting in the Kangchup Chiru village in Manipur.



**678**

Adolescents have received reproductive and sexual health education

**5,089**

Rural villagers have learned about healthy habits through monthly community meetings

**11,988**

Patients have received treatment through the Mobile Medical Clinics

**5,000**

Community members have received educational pamphlets

**4,765**

Mothers and children have received preventative care through mother and child health programs

**6,788**

Villagers received additional support during the COVID-19 pandemic

# HEALTHCARE 2 UNREACHED



**\$500,000+**

Invested in Health Care by  
Share & Care during the last 4 years

**300,000+**

Beneficiaries

**10**

Major projects spread  
all over India

## Our Cancer Care in 2023

**3134** Mamograms    **2625** PAP tests    **3065** HPV vaccines    **8700** Total beneficiaries

## Breast Cancer in India\*

- 1.38 million cases/yr: 1 in every 4 minutes
- 458,000 deaths/yr: 1 in every 13 minutes

*\*Rajkot Cancer Society stats*

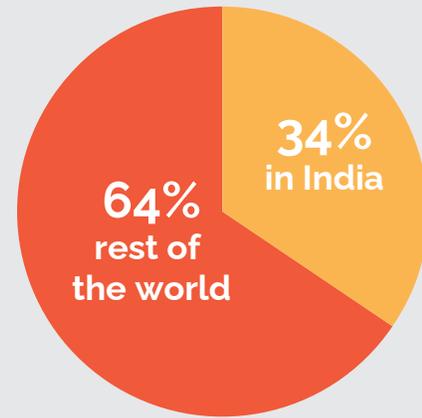
## Our Causes in 2023

- Mobile health clinics
- Hygiene Health Education
- Nutritional care
- Seminars & webinars
- Anemia prevention & treatment
- Horticulture in arid area
- Pregnancy and newborn care
- HPV cervical cancer prevention & treatment
- Juvenile Type 1 diabetes care
- Breast cancer testing & prevention
- Mental health awareness & education
- Covid relief help to all our partner NGOs

## OUR GOALS for 2024

1. Expand mobile health clinics to 3 more states
2. Expand anemia prevention and treatment plans to cover another 30,000 young adults
3. Increase capacity for early detection of cervical and breast cancer
4. HPV vaccination program to cover additional 3,000 women
5. Increase current webinars on mental health awareness
6. Focus on prevention and health education in rural areas

## Cervical Cancer Death Statistics in India in 2019



**365 million**

women at risk

**5%**

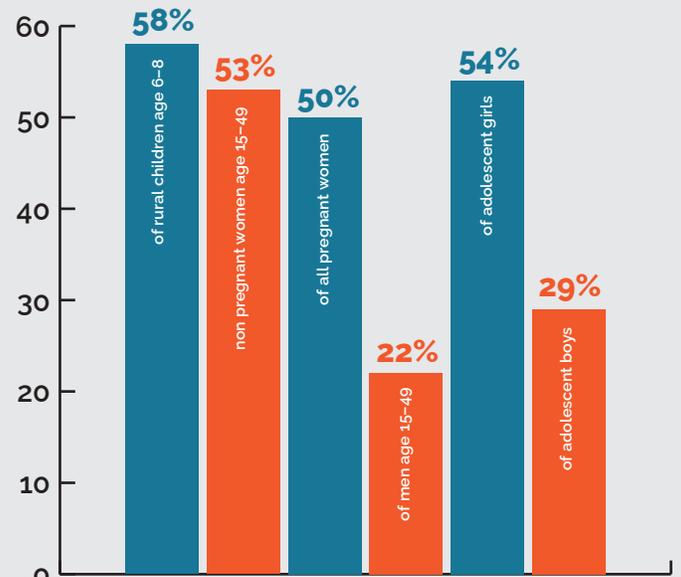
of them at lifetime risk

**74,000**

deaths

## Anemia Statistics – India in 2020

2<sup>nd</sup> leading cause of maternal deaths

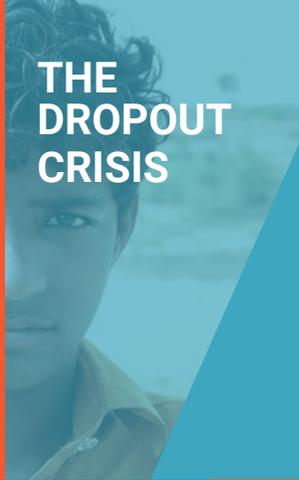


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## THE DROPOUT CRISIS



OVER **40%**

of students in India drop out before eighth grade. The majority of these children live in rural areas and come from impoverished families. Share & Care's Signature Program Educate 2 Success (E2S), with help from our NGO partners in India, provides these students with the support they need to stay in school.

## EDUCATE 2 SUCCESS

We provide underprivileged students with the support and resources needed to complete their education.

## A HOLISTIC APPROACH

Our holistic approach helps children develop into productive and confident individuals who make positive career choices. Weekend empowerment workshops teach self-confidence, and after-school English and Math classes offer supplementary instruction. Our social workers also conduct home visits to evaluate living conditions and engage parents in their children's education, and counseling sessions are given to students in need of extra guidance.

## WE'RE EXPANDING OUR REACH

As of 2023, with support from our donors and partners, we've supported 1,827 at-risk students in our education programs and are on track to serve 2,500 students by 2024.

**1827**



## CURRENT NUMBERS:

**316**   
Number of Students

**6**   
Number of Learning Centers

**1500+**  
Math & English Workshops Per Month

**150+**  
Home Visits and Counseling Sessions Per Month

**20+**  
Weekend Empowerment Workshops Per Month

**\$137**  
Annual Cost Per Student

## WHAT \$137 BUYS:

- Books
- School Bag
- Uniform
- Stationery Supplies
- Required Science Tools
- Family Visits
- Counseling
- Math & English Classes
- Empowerment Workshops

## BRIDGING THE DIGITAL DIVIDE:

We have supported the establishment of digital labs across India. These labs offer students, at no cost, skills training and access that they need to succeed in this digital age.

### COMPUTER LABS FOR DIGITAL TRAINING



### STUDENTS GETTING DIGITAL EXPOSURE



**TOTAL: 11,500 students**

### TEACHERS TRAINED



**TOTAL: 250 teachers**



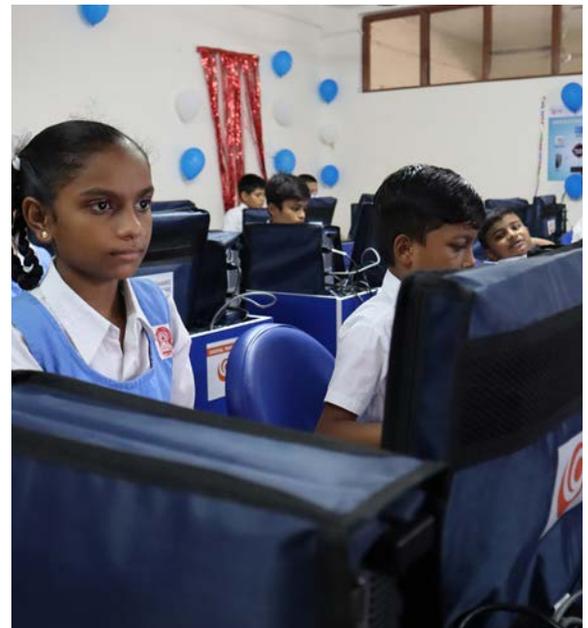


## Bridging the Digital Divide and Helping Students Become Confident Explorers of Technology

As digital skills become increasingly important, many students from rural and low-income families face a gap in access to the internet, computers, and other technologies. The COVID-19 pandemic widened this gap when schools closed and few of these students had the digital skills or equipment needed to continue learning from virtual classes.

To meet this need, the Y4D Foundation, supported by Share & Care, has established Digital Training and Resource Centers in remote areas of Maharashtra, Gujarat, and Uttar Pradesh, with the goal of providing 5th- through 10th-grade students quality digital skills education and preparing them for higher education and productive, successful careers.

When the Digital Training and Resource Center first began its operations, many students were



*Students used a computer for the first time in the digital lab supported by Share & Care.*



*Students practiced their digital skills and built experience using computers for their schoolwork.*



TOP LEFT: Students in Uttar Pradesh use their new digital lab for the first time; TOP RIGHT: Students explored the new smartboard in their classroom; BOTTOM: Children are introduced to digital equipment and tools.

fearful or reluctant to experiment with the technologies, but over time, they grew in their curiosity and their confidence and began creating digital works on a variety of platforms, including Microsoft Powerpoint, Word, Excel, and much more. Students, as well as local teachers, received instruction regarding the benefits of technology in the classroom and began to see how digital components could enhance learning.

The Digital Training and Resource Center has given these rural students and teachers access to technology, increased their confidence

levels when interacting with the digital world, and helped them achieve computer and internet proficiency. The students who have received training are not only more capable of using technology, but they have also grown admirably in their problem-solving and critical thinking skills, which will benefit them in all aspects of their lives.

Share & Care's support has been essential in ensuring that all who use these digital labs have access to cutting-edge technology and quality training. In particular, Share & Care funding has been used to equip

the center classrooms with essential items like desktop computers, HD printers and scanners, WiFi networks, sound systems, air conditioners, chairs and desks, anti-virus software, and more. In addition to these resources and trainings available to students, the centers also host a number of valuable extracurricular activities like vaccination drives, holiday celebrations, and competitions to engage and encourage students. To date, Share & Care has supported more than 11,500 students and 250 teachers with digital trainings from 2021 through 2023 — all at no cost to the students or their families. ●

# EDUCATE 2 GRADUATE



## Transforming the Lives of Underprivileged Students and Their Families



*Our Educate 2 Graduate program offers bright but underprivileged students the opportunity to obtain a college education.*

Across India, thousands of brilliant young scholars have the desire, determination, and aptitude to attain a college education but cannot afford the high cost of tuition and other educational expenses. Most of these students come from low-income families who have had limited access to education and employment opportunities for generations, leaving them unable to escape the cycle of poverty.

**The goal of the Educate 2 Graduate (E2G) Signature Program is to make higher education a reality for these bright yet underprivileged scholars.** By providing scholarships, we can set these promising young adults and their families on the path to a secure future.

Since its inception in 2006, the Educate 2 Graduate program has provided up to \$1,000 per year in scholarship funding to college students over the course of four to five years, allowing them to pursue degrees in engineering, medi-

cine, nursing, pharmacy, and information technology. Students are selected carefully based on financial need, academic performance, and the quality of the colleges they have selected. Along with financial support, the E2G program offers skill training and career guidance to help these students find well-paying, fulfilling jobs after graduation.

### Our NGO Partners

The E2G program has been successfully implemented over the years by our five NGO partners operating in the states of Gujarat, Tamil Nadu, and Maharashtra.

- **Higher Education Support Trust (HEST) — Bharuch, Gujarat** HEST is the pioneer NGO that we partnered with when we began the E2G program. Their mission is to uplift downtrodden families by sponsoring their brilliant and determined children as they attend college for engineering, med-



*Jayant Sharh, (HEST) center, attends an award ceremony for graduating E2G students.*



An E2G scholarship recipient receives interview feedback and guidance through the Lila Poonawalla Foundation in Pune, Maharashtra.

icine, and information technology. To date, they have awarded E2G scholarships to more than **1,650 students, 90% of whom have graduated and are gainfully employed and prospering.**

- **Sister Nivedita Foundation (SNF) — Rajkot, Gujarat** SNF is a large, well-established NGO that operates education and health-related programs primarily in the areas around Rajkot. Its mission is to ensure that each student acquires the knowledge, skills, and confidence necessary to reach their full potential and become productive and responsible citizens. Over the past 13 years, SNF has awarded E2G scholarships to more than **450 students.**

- **Kalanjiyam Trust — Chennai, Tamil Nadu** Kalanjiyam aims to create a society in which future generations are healthy, academically successful, and able to achieve an improved quality of life. They operate on a community development model, in which the core guiding principle is the involvement and ownership of the community. Since 2011, Kalanjiyam has awarded **60 E2G scholarships.**

- **Y4D Foundation — Pune, Maharashtra** Y4D is committed to empowering the underprivileged by providing encouragement, education, and employment. Their goal is to support citizens as they har-

ness their full potential, contribute positively to their communities, and live happy, healthy, and dignified lives. In 2021, Y4D awarded **25 E2G scholarships.**

- **Lila Poonawalla Foundation (LPF) — Pune, Maharashtra** LPF is committed to 'Leading Indian Ladies Ahead' by promoting girls' education and women's empowerment. They are supporting socially deprived and financially disadvantaged girls as they pursue professional degrees, helping them to become confident, independent women who not only earn for themselves but also care for their families. To date, LPF has **transformed the lives of 14,200 young**

# EDUCATE 2 GRADUATE



*With Share & Care's support, more than 1,750 young scholars have been able to pursue higher education and break free of the cycle of generational poverty.*

women, 35 of whom recently received Share & Care scholarships, while they are enrolled in engineering, pharmacy, and nursing degree programs. Beyond scholarships, LPF students also receive holistic training to ensure that they have the skills necessary to lead successful, independent lives once they graduate.

The success of the E2G program would not have been possible without the extreme generosity of our donors over the years and our resourceful NGO partners in India. These NGOs have worked tirelessly to select the scholars, support them through their academic work, monitor their progress, instill core values, and help them find lucrative jobs upon graduation. These organizations' dedication to effectively implementing the E2G program is an

integral part of our mission to create a world where everyone has access to higher education.

### Measurable Impact

Since 2006, Share & Care has awarded over \$2.5 million in scholarships to more than 1,750 brilliant but economically challenged scholars to pursue college degrees. Our typical scholarship recipient comes from a family of four or more, with an average annual household income of less than Rs. 2 lac per year, far too little to afford college tuition. As these students graduate and enter the workforce, they are liberating themselves and their families from the vicious and generational cycle of poverty, entering the middle- and upper-middle classes. A HEST study of more than 800 of our working graduates found that our

scholars have increased their family income multifold. It is conservatively estimated that these working graduates will generate over \$22 million in family wealth over the following five years, a return 10 times on E2G's investment in their bright futures. ●

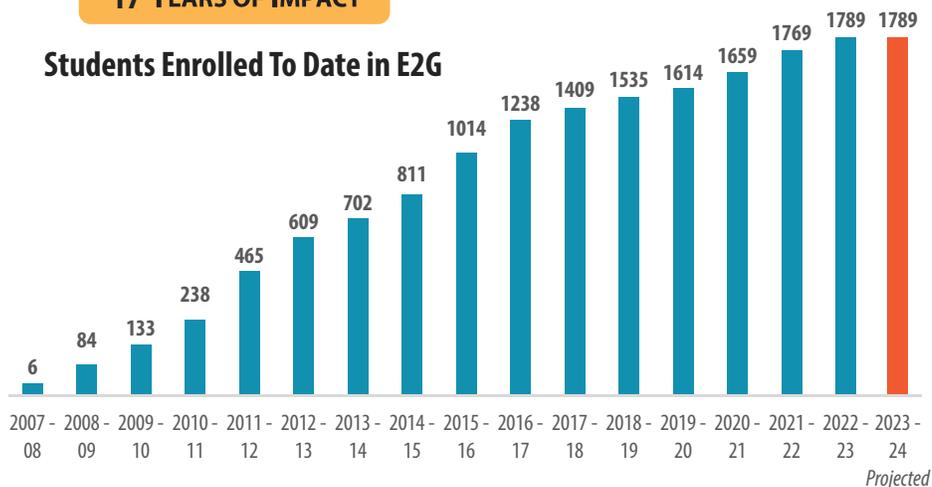
**"The 21<sup>st</sup> century is an era of knowledge. If poverty is to be abolished in this century, it can be abolished only through education."**

— HONORABLE PRIME MINISTER  
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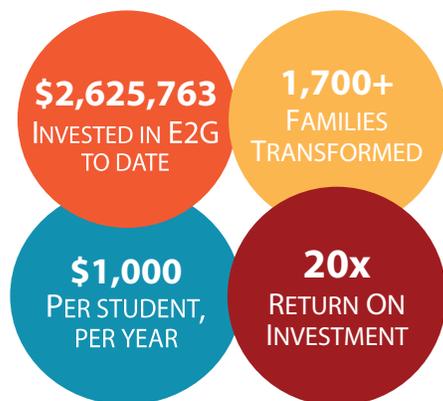


## 17 YEARS OF IMPACT

### Students Enrolled To Date in E2G



## E2G IN NUMBERS



## About Our E2G Signature Program

- We work with five NGO partners in India to implement our E2G program, including HEST and SNT, both in Gujarat, LPF and Y4D both in Maharashtra, and Kalanjyam in Tamil Nadu.
- Students selected are in the top 10 percent of their high school graduating class.
- Their families have incomes of less than \$2,500 USD per year.
- Each student's metrics are tracked throughout their degree program to monitor progress.
- Students are supported emotionally as well as financially. They have access to mentors and personal and professional development opportunities.

## What Our 800 Graduates Are Earning:

- Average salary: \$5,300+ per year
- Salary range: \$2,600 to \$66,800
- Wealth to be generated in 5 years: \$22 million



Our Educate 2 Graduate program supports brilliant, but economically challenged students as they pursue higher education.



## Helping Women Find Work, Become Independent, and Grow Their Confidence

During the first month of India's national COVID-19 lockdown, 15.4 million women lost their jobs, 12 million of whom lived in rural areas. With each wave of the virus, more jobs were lost. As the effects of the pandemic continue to linger, many rural women continue to face joblessness, threatening their ability to provide for themselves and for their families.

To address this urgent need, the Mijwan Welfare Society's Samridhi project, supported by Share & Care, was established during the pandemic with the goal to create a cadre of rural women entrepreneurs who are financially independent and play an active role in running their own businesses. The project reaches more than 30 villages throughout Uttar Pradesh, particularly in the districts of Azamgarh, Ambedkar Nagar, and Lucknow, providing women with skill-based training in embroidery, tailoring, and stitching, along with training in basic accounting, business operations, leadership, and negotiation.

**The Samridhi project focuses on the following five goals:**

- 1 Providing legal recognition and work status to women as a rural artisan company;
- 2 Teaching female artisans pattern-making and advanced embroidery skills;
- 3 Reaching more villages to impact more women;
- 4 Supporting rural female artisans as they grow in their embroidery, capacity for work, and entrepreneurial skills; and
- 5 Helping women become individual entrepreneurs (Saksham).

Share & Care funding has been critical in helping the Samridhi project reach different communities throughout Uttar Pradesh, providing quality embroidery and business training, and supporting these entrepreneurs holistically as they grow into their financial independence.



*Women practice their stitching skills at the Samridhi Tailoring Training Center.*



## Creating a Sustainable Impact

The Samridhi project has touched the lives of more than 500 women. Of the 500 that have received embroidery and business training, 369 have registered with the project as independent artisans, earning around Rs. 4,000-5,000 monthly. Several have also established their own small-scale businesses.

Prior to the intervention of the Samridhi project, many of these women were employed in agriculture or other sundry work, earning too little to contribute meaningfully to their household finances. This project has had a major impact on these women's lives, **providing them financial independence and transforming the way that their family members perceive their value.** They have become active members and contributors to their households, taking on dignified, decision-making roles. They know how to design, embroider, and sew, as well as how to use the internet, manage a bank account, and run their businesses. This project's success can be replicated by state and local governments to continue helping rural women find work, take on new and important roles, and become visible and valued members of their communities. ●



TOP LEFT: A Samridhi trainer shows her trainees a new pattern they will begin working on. BOTTOM LEFT: One of the many designs developed by the talented Samridhi project beneficiaries. BOTTOM RIGHT: A Samridhi trainer shares the benefits of financial independence and entrepreneurship.

# WOMEN EMPOWERMENT



## OUR MISSION

Empower women in its truest sense by bringing a change in the society in which there is an environment of optimal gender equality and equity, women feel safe and can gain livelihood skills with tools to enhance the success.

## PROGRAM GOALS

Develop programs by which gender equality and equity issues are addressed in society at large. Make women more educated about their rights in the society and make a society in which there are equal opportunities for women in every sector. Such programs work at grassroots levels and focus on providing to a select group of women who in turn will empower others and so on. Attain best possible results with available resources.

- 1. Empower women** by using innovative approaches such as providing education in banking, personal finance, gender equality issues and personal safety education while providing them with training in livelihood skills and digital literacy. Provide them with tools to succeed such as providing seed money to start a trade, providing micro loans and providing market linkages. Provide appropriate equipment such as sewing machines, embroidery machines, cosmetology chairs, catering kits etc. in appropriate cases.
- 2. Provide personal safety education** to children of school going age so benefits are longer lasting. We can also create an environment where there will be lower chances of individuals being perpetrators of violence or bystanders when violence is occurring towards women. Work with NGOs in providing education about basic personal safety to older women including training about how to escape dangerous situations and how to fight back if there is need to.
- 3. Empower women** by enhancing formation and continuation of self help groups by which empowered women help empower others and continue to enhance gender equality and equity in the society. Self help groups are known to be a very successful modality that has helped bring economic empowerment in various parts of the world.
- 4. Empower women** by providing them tools for self-development, character building and promoting and enhancing leadership skills.
- 5. Involve men** wherever appropriate in the process to achieve mindset change in the entire society.
- 6. Supplementing traditional education** of school-going girls with life skills training, basic health education, menstrual hygiene, sports and physical activities education, as well as good nutrition.



At SCF, we are committed to using innovative, multifaceted and evidence-based approaches empowering women, taking into account the myriad challenges girls face seeking gender equality, equity, and opportunities.

## CURRENT GOALS

### 2,500

Number of girls and young women we will train in personal safety education

### 150

Number of women whose lives will be enhanced through our holistic approach

### 20,000

Number of women whose lives will be enhanced through our self-help groups

### 800

Number of character-building and leadership training sessions we will conduct

# IN MEMORIAM / SHARE & CARE ANTHEM

## TRIBUTE TO KISHOR MANIAR



February 21, 1937 –  
June 24, 2023

The late Mr. Maniar was an active volunteer of our Share & Care family. He served the Foundation as an administrator, member of Disaster Relief Committee, and General Board Member for many years. Mr. Maniar lived a full life and celebrated his 86th birthday with family and friends. He cared deeply for others beyond his family and friends. He also supported countless people as they settled in America.

He is survived by his wife Jyotsna Maniar (also an active member of Share & Care), son Mihir, daughter Madhvi, and grandchildren Maggie, Sean, Jack, Nicolas, and Kinnari.

His adventurous, fun-loving spirit will be greatly missed.

## SHARE & CARE ANTHEM

Manavta Se Bada Dharam Nahi Koi, Sewa Se Bada Karam Nahi Koi  
Lakshya jeevan kaa....Jodain tinka-tinka  
Ek naya sansaar banayenge

**Share Karen hum....Care Karen hum  
Auron ke Liye, Prayer Karen hum**

Har ghar main khushaali hogi...Holi aur Diwali hogi  
Chote-bade ka bhed na hoga....Kisi ke mann main khed na hoga

**Share Karen hum....Care Karen hum  
Auron ke Liye, Prayer Karen hum**

Aisi ek subah hogi.... Bhookh, Ashiksha mit jaayegi  
Aankhon main aashaaon ke sapne...Sab ho jaayenge bas apne

**Share Karen hum....Care Karen hum  
Auron ke Liye, Prayer Karen hum**

Sukh-dukhum sabse battenge.... Mil-jul kar jeevan kaatenge  
Hum samaaj se lete aaye....Ab samaaj ko dekar jaayein

**Share Karen hum....Care Karen hum  
Auron ke Liye, Prayer Karen hum**

*The Share & Care anthem was composed by Sandeep Nath –  
a Bollywood singer, lyricist, composer, screenwriter, director, and producer.*

# DISASTER RELIEF



Women participated in khakhra training in Kada Village, Gujarat.



Woman handling traditional khakhras in a kitchen in Gujarat.

## Building Community, Self-Reliance, and Craftsmanship in Post-Pandemic India



Representatives of Gramshree working with local residents to preserve the art of patola weaving.

Gramshree Trust, supported by Share & Care, has empowered more than 77,000 marginalized women residing in Gujarat's rural regions and urban slums. The COVID-19 pandemic had a tremendous impact on these areas, with many women losing their livelihoods. Read on to learn about just a few of the projects that Share & Care has helped these women find work, purpose, and community.

### Khakhra Training Program Provides Community and Care to Participants

To encourage underprivileged women in Gujarat to become self-reliant, a training program was initiated to help them learn to cook khakhras, which are traditional breakfast or snacks similar to tortillas. The program trained 115 women in khakhra production, while also holding dis-

cussions on mental health, sanitation, and personal hygiene. Program organizers also hosted breast and cervical cancer screenings for the women participating. The beneficiaries of this project are now financially independent, earning a livelihood by working alongside each other to make khakhras. They are also healthier and more confident due to this newfound community and the care they received.

### The Revival Project Safeguards the Art of Handcrafting Patola

Patola, intricate types of woven saris, are one of the most well-respected and renowned crafts in all of India. Weaving patola requires considerable training, skill, and patience. Gramshree has been working diligently to help weavers in Patan, a place known for its patola artistry, grow these skills and ensure the artform is not



lost to history. Many families who weave patola are fearful of passing on this skill, worrying that competition will drive them out of business. To safeguard this rich craft from extinction, a training program was created. Over the course of 45 days, 17 young, semi-skilled female artisans learned how to craft patola. These artisans are now encouraging and teaching even more people this craft, reviving one of India's greatest treasures.

### Sari Libraries Allow Women Access to Beautiful Garments for Special Occasions

Ten sari libraries have been established across Gujarat over the past few years to allow women to check out garments as needed. The sari is an Indian woman's most prized possession, but many who are saddled with their family's financial responsibilities are unable to afford this garment for special occasions. Sari libraries allow women to choose and borrow a sari at no cost, with the only condition being that it must be dry cleaned upon its return. These sari libraries have brought dignity, fun, and beauty to the women of these communities.

### The Livelihood Project Puts Women Artisans to Work

The Livelihood Project is an extension of the Sari Library Program and was devised to employ weavers, embroiderers, and tailors. Individuals in these careers were especially impacted financially by the COVID-19 pandemic, and Share & Care funding has allowed them to prepare and embellish garments to be distributed through the dress and chaniya choli libraries. This project not only provided additional garments to these libraries, benefiting the broader community, but it also employed an incredible 1,589 women. ●



TOP: Representatives from Gramshree and ESI attend a Sari Library Inauguration in Pedhamili Village, Gujarat.

MIDDLE: Smt Anarben Patel, Founder of Gramshree, attended the inauguration of a dress and chaniya choli library.

BOTTOM: Women weaving saris in Gujarat with support from The Livelihood Project and the Sari Library Program.

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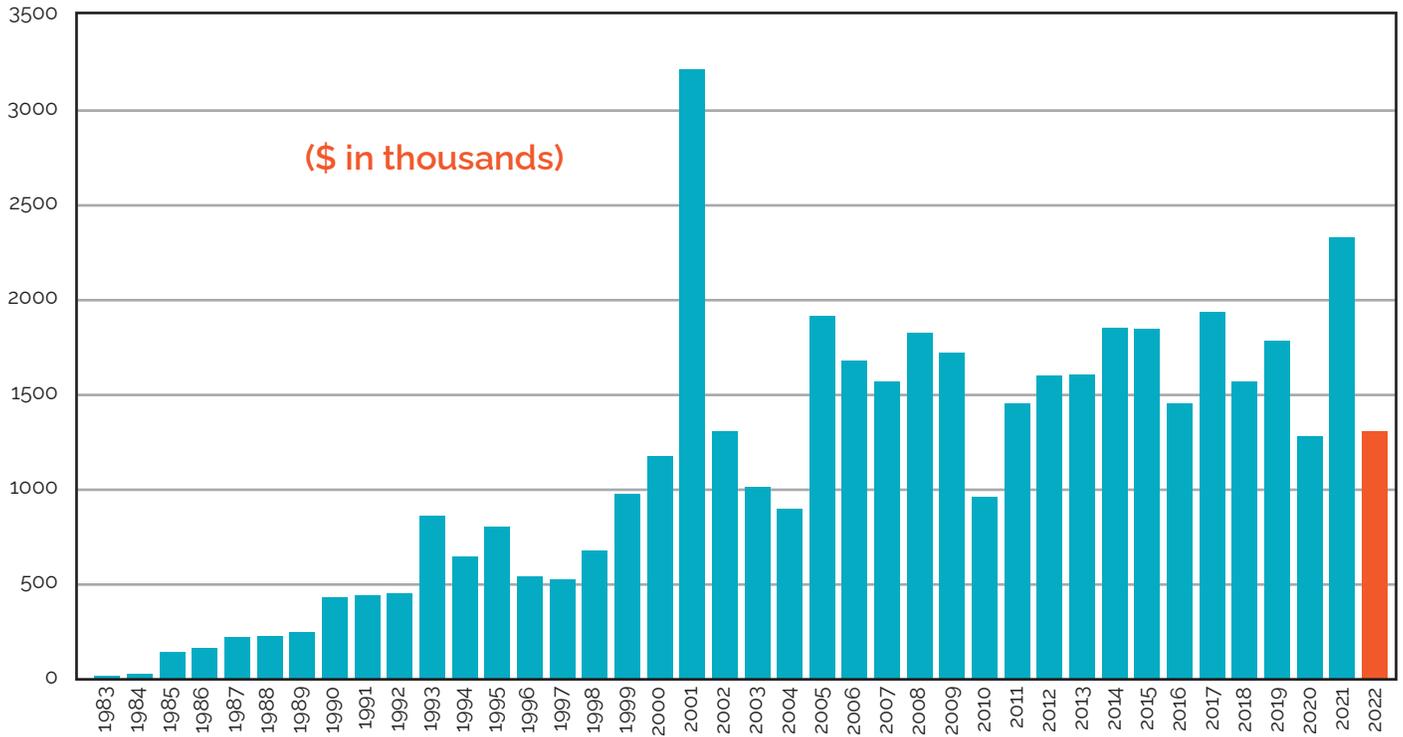
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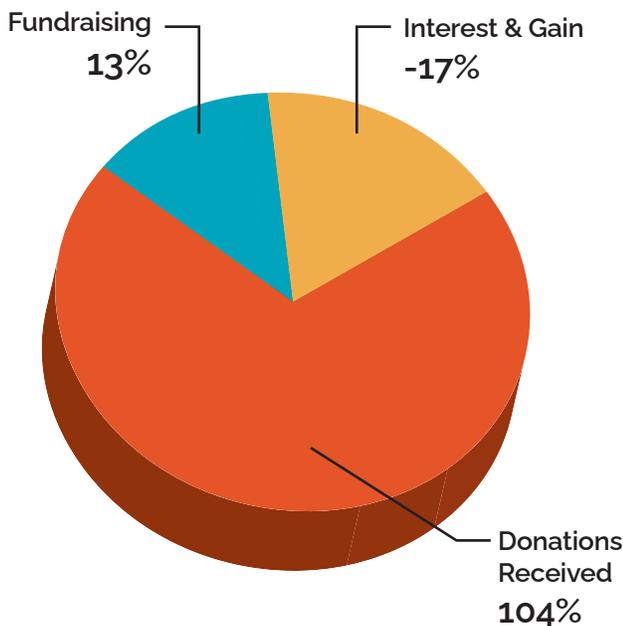


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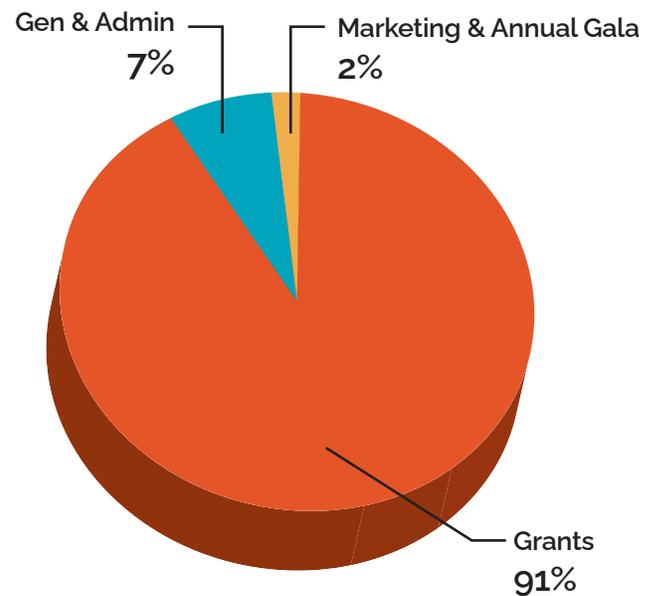
### 2022 Revenue & Support

100% = \$1.12 mil



### 2022 Grants and Expenses

100% = \$1.85 mil



# AUDITOR'S REPORT



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## INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

Board of Trustees  
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### Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

#### **Opinion**

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Share and Care Foundation for India (Foundation or Organization), which comprise the statement of financial position as of December 31, 2022, and the related statements of activities and changes in net assets, functional expenses, and cash flows for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Share and Care Foundation for India as of December 31, 2022, and the changes in its net assets and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### **Basis for Opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements* section of our report. We are required to be independent of Share and Care Foundation for India and to meet our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

#### **Change in Accounting Principle**

As discussed in Note 2 to the financial statements, in 2022, the Organization adopted new accounting guidance for leases. The guidance requires lessees to recognize a right-of-use asset and corresponding liability for all operating and finance leases with lease terms greater than one year. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

#### **Other Matter**

The financial statements as of December 31, 2021, were audited by Sobel & Co., LLC, whose partners and staff joined CliftonLarsonAllen LLP as of February 1, 2023, and has subsequently ceased operations. Sobel & Co., LLC's report dated July 22, 2022 expressed an unmodified opinion on those financial statements.

#### **Report of Summarized, Comparative Information**

In our opinion, the summarized comparative information presented herein as of and for the year ended December 31, 2022, is consistent, in all material respects, with the audited financial statements from which it has been derived.

# AUDITOR'S REPORT



Board of Trustees  
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## ***Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements***

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about Share and Care Foundation for India's ability to continue as a going concern within one year after the date that the financial statements are available to be issued.

## ***Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements***

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditors' report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and, therefore, is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements, including omissions, are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Foundation's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Foundation's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.



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We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control-related matters that we identified during the audit.

*CliftonLarsonAllen LLP*

**CliftonLarsonAllen LLP**

Livingston, New Jersey  
June 13, 2023

# AUDITOR'S REPORT

## SHARE AND CARE FOUNDATION FOR INDIA STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION (With Summarized, Comparative Totals as of December 31, 2021)

	December 31,	
	2022	2021
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 460,378	\$ 997,021
Investments, at fair value	1,134,201	1,210,768
Security deposit	4,600	4,600
Prepaid expenses	4,387	4,187
LONG-TERM ASSETS:		
Operating right-of-use asset	54,659	-
Total Assets	<u>\$ 1,658,225</u>	<u>\$ 2,216,576</u>
<b>LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS</b>		
<b>LIABILITIES:</b>		
Grants and donations pledged	\$ 453,194	\$ 345,494
LONG-TERM LIABILITIES		
Operating right-of-use liability	55,088	-
NET ASSETS:		
Net assets without donor restrictions	1,009,034	1,654,228
Net assets with donor restrictions	140,909	216,854
Total Net Assets	<u>1,149,943</u>	<u>1,871,082</u>
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	<u>\$ 1,658,225</u>	<u>\$ 2,216,576</u>



**SHARE AND CARE FOUNDATION FOR INDIA**  
**STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES AND CHANGES IN NET ASSETS**  
**YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022**  
**(With Summarized, Comparative Totals as of December 31, 2021)**

	<b>Year Ended December 31, 2022</b>			<b>2021 Totals</b>
	<b>Without Donor Restrictions</b>	<b>With Donor Restrictions</b>	<b>Total</b>	
<b>Revenue and Other Support:</b>				
Contributions	\$ 215,112	\$ 952,254	\$ 1,167,366	\$ 2,058,180
In-kind donations	-	-	-	17,850
Fundraising	125,158	22,600	147,758	320,806
Investment income	39,861	-	39,861	35,105
Realized and unrealized (loss) gain on investments	(229,617)	-	(229,617)	75,968
Total revenue	<u>150,514</u>	<u>974,854</u>	<u>1,125,368</u>	<u>2,507,909</u>
<b>Net Assets Released from Restrictions:</b>				
Satisfaction of time and expense restrictions	1,050,799	(1,050,799)	-	-
Total Revenue and Other Support	<u>1,201,313</u>	<u>(75,945)</u>	<u>1,125,368</u>	<u>2,507,909</u>
<b>Expenses:</b>				
Program services	<u>1,676,481</u>	-	<u>1,676,481</u>	<u>3,129,029</u>
Support services:				
Management and general	132,009	-	132,009	55,632
Fundraising	38,017	-	38,017	59,034
Total Support Services	<u>170,026</u>	-	<u>170,026</u>	<u>114,666</u>
Total Expenses	<u>1,846,507</u>	-	<u>1,846,507</u>	<u>3,243,695</u>
Changes in Net Assets	(645,194)	(75,945)	(721,139)	(735,786)
<b>NET ASSETS:</b>				
Beginning of year	<u>1,654,228</u>	<u>216,854</u>	<u>1,871,082</u>	<u>2,606,868</u>
End of year	<u>\$ 1,009,034</u>	<u>\$ 140,909</u>	<u>\$ 1,149,943</u>	<u>\$ 1,871,082</u>

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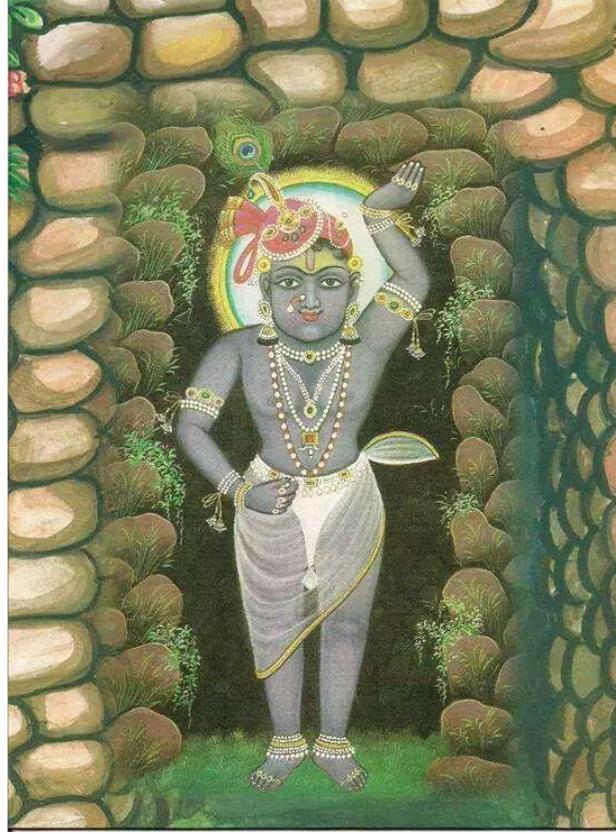
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