

GIVING A Chance to Uplift TUESDAY Lives and Dreams

Today, on Giving Tuesday, we're reminded of the incredible power of collective action. Every life we touch through your generosity becomes a new story of hope, resilience, and transformation. We want to continue making a difference, and these stories speak to the power of your support. For Giving Tuesday, we invite you to invest in the power of change, making even more stories of hope and opportunity possible.

GIVE A GIFT OF LASTING CHANGE



Where Resilience Meets Opportunity

Ankita Anand Jatkar's story is one of extraordinary resilience and determination. Growing up in Solapur, Ankita faced a devastating loss early in life — she lost both her parents and was raised by her grandparents, who work as small-scale farmers. With limited resources, her grandparents struggled to make ends meet, let alone fund Ankita's dream of pursuing higher education. Her future seemed uncertain, yet Ankita refused to let her circumstances define her potential.

Despite the odds, Ankita excelled academically, earning top marks in her HSC exams. Her school teacher introduced her to the Lila Poonawalla Foundation, supported by Share & Care, and through her grit and determination — and the financial and training support she received — Ankita secured admission to the prestigious Indrayani Institute of Pharmaceutical Education and Research in Pune to pursue a B. Pharmacy degree.

Thanks to the scholarship and additional skill-building sessions provided through our program, Ankita has gained more than academic support — she has developed the confidence and sense of purpose to envision a future where she can bring meaningful change.

Ankita's ability to access higher education and fight for her dreams was made possible by the generosity of donors like you.



"I am grateful to receive the scholarship," Ankita shares. "This support not only lightened the financial burden on my grandparents but has also motivated me to focus on my education and my future. I feel more responsible toward my family and society because of this opportunity."



Educate 2 Graduate



Breaking Barriers in Tribal Communities

In a small hilly hamlet in Tapi District, South Gujarat, **Sheela** grew up in poverty, supported by her mother, who farms a small two-acre plot during monsoon season and works on other farms for the rest of the year. Losing her father at a young age deepened their struggles, leaving the family to live in a mud house with no significant assets and only the bare minimum to survive. Despite these hardships, Sheela was determined to change her family's future and pursued her education with an unrelenting passion.



At Shantaba Vidyalaya, a high school supported by partner NGO Malvi Trust, Sheela's drive and hard work earned her a top-3 rank in her class, and she went on to clear her NEET exams with an impressive score. Today, she is realizing her dream of becoming a doctor as she begins her first year of medical school at Surat's SMIMER Institute. Sheela is one of just 30 tribal students in her batch who have broken barriers to study in prestigious MBBS or BAMS programs this academic year.

Sheela's story is a reminder that talent and determination can be found even in the most underserved corners of the world, waiting to blossom with the support of initiatives funded by donors like you.



Educate 2 Success

GIVE A GIFT OF OPPORTUNITY



Uplifting De-Notified Tribes in Rajasthan

In the remote villages of Rajasthan's Malpura Block, our work reveals both heartbreaking challenges and inspiring resilience among De-Notified Tribe (DNT) communities. Through extensive field research led by our partner NGO GVSTK's dedicated staff member **Monica**, we've documented the daily struggles and untapped potential of these historically marginalized communities.

A survey of 323 families across seven Gram Panchayats uncovered harsh realities: families working in dangerous conditions making coal under the open sky, children missing school during monsoons due to waterlogging, and women forced to sell produce at exploitative prices. Access to healthcare, education, and government benefits remains limited, compounded by a colonial legacy that labeled these communities as "criminal tribes." Despite legal denotification, they continue to face social ostracization, poor infrastructure, high illiteracy rates, and significant bureaucratic hurdles, leaving them trapped in cycles of marginalization.

The challenges faced by De-Notified Tribes serve as a powerful example of why collective action matters. Together, we can ensure that even the most forgotten communities have a chance to reclaim their dignity and rights through education, healthcare, and opportunity.



"When I visited Bavariyo ki Dhani in Amarpura village, I met women who showed incredible strength despite overwhelming odds," shares Monica. "These 30 families of the Bavariya community work tirelessly, making coal under the harsh sun and gathering forest produce, yet barely earn enough to survive."



Women Empowerment



Holistic Wellness through Digital Mindfulness

At Happy Village, our Digital Wellness initiative led by our partner NGO Chetana, addresses a growing challenge that many young students face. Through **Pooja's** story, we see how our evidence-based program creates meaningful change in students' lives, mental health, and academic performance.

Like many teenagers, Pooja began using social media to stay connected with friends. However, what started as casual use soon became consuming — endless scrolling replaced study time, grades declined, and anxiety crept in. Her experience mirrors that of countless students who find themselves caught in the grip of digital dependence.

Through Chetana's five-week course, Pooja learned about screen management, mindfulness practices, and strategies to reclaim her time. Today, she spends more time focusing on her studies and hobbies, demonstrating how small, consistent changes can lead to lasting positive outcomes.

Through programs like Digital Wellness, your contributions not only empower students like Pooja to break unhealthy patterns but also foster healthy habits that multiply to improve their academic and personal lives. These small but profound changes, fueled by your donations, create a foundation for long-term success.



"I didn't realize how much of my time was going into social media," Pooja reflects. "After joining the program, I felt motivated to change. I'm more productive and happy now, and my anxiety has reduced."



Healthcare 2 Unreached

Double Your Impact for

GIVING TUESDAY

GIVE A GIFT, HAVE IT MATCHED!

With matching contributions thanks to the generosity of **Nimish & Sejal Doshi (\$10,000)** and two anonymous donors (**\$10,000**), your gift can do double the good in the lives of those we serve with a **total of \$20,000 being matched!**

Your compassion and generosity on Giving Tuesday will spark a transformation, creating stories of hope that uplift entire communities.



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