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## OUR MISSION



WE ARE ON A MISSION TO SAVE
HIV-POSITIVE KIDS IN SOUTH INDIA.
WE FIRMLY BELIEVE EDUCATION IS
THE BEDROCK TO A SUCCESSFUL,
SUSTAINABLE LIFE. OUR NUMBER
ONE PRIORITY IS TO ENSURE EVERY
CHILD WE SERVE IS EDUCATED
THROUGH COLLEGE OR
VOCATIONAL SCHOOL.

### A NOTE FROM THE DIRECTOR - A YEAR IN REVIEW

Another year behind us – a new year to plan, create, engage and build the infrastructure needed to help our kids achieve their dreams. We ended the year with a wedding. A celebration that brought us together as a family and community to bless Christu and Sunil as they begin their new live together.

Our library space is growing. Having an English medium library will improve our English skills and be a valuable asset when the kids graduate from college and start looking for a job. We added 12 tablets to the library for the kids to share, which has been a great asset in terms of access to a vast free library online, including research materials they use for homework.



We have more kids in college or a vocational school than K-12. We started this journey 15 years ago and we now have 8 who have graduated, are employed and living on their own. We have 15 kids in K12 and 30 kids in higher education.

We doubled our garden footprint. Nutrition is the most important aspect of maintaining good health. A balanced, nutritious diet is critical for the HIV medicines the kids will take for the rest of their lives to work as they should.

The home is a bustling, bee hive of activity every day, filled with teenagers and young adults working towards their life goals. We look to the new year filled with possibility. Thanks for being a part of our story.

Machelle Norling



Advocate, Educate, Elevate



All children, particularly orphans, need a safe place to grow. Caring for our kids and nurturing them into adulthood is an important part of breaking the cycle of poverty and bringing change to a place like India where HIV still carries a great amount of stigma at every level of life. We continue to face challenges, especially as the kids get older and find themselves in the community more and more. College doors have been shut, job opportunities lost, housing applications rejected and a basic social stigma can sometimes hit hard, but we continue to work on what it means to be resilient and confident in the face of difficulties, steadfast in the belief that every one of our kids is equal to all others.





# IMPACT













In 2023, seven more of the kids will graduate from college or vocational school. We will provide additional support as they look for jobs and find a place of their own. Education changes everything. Those who are educated have higher incomes and more opportunities. Education has the power to help societies, and the world in general, change for the better. Our kids are ambassadors of possibility for those living with HIV.

The newer HIV medicines have shown that treatment is prevention. We know when an HIV-positive person is consistently on the proper medications they cannot pass on the virus to others. This breakthrough has been a game changer in the world of HIV care. Providing access to medicine is the promise of a future where HIV comes to an end. In cooperation with local government, our kids see a health professional once a month to monitor their status and provide needed medicines. This continues even after they leave the home. As adults, they create a partnership with the local hospital to maintain their care. In addition, our garden is the bridge to ensuring those medicines do their job. Growing our own food is a win on two fronts, it helps with the budget and it ensures we can provide nutritious meals. Gardening is a skill they will take into their adult lives wherever they land.



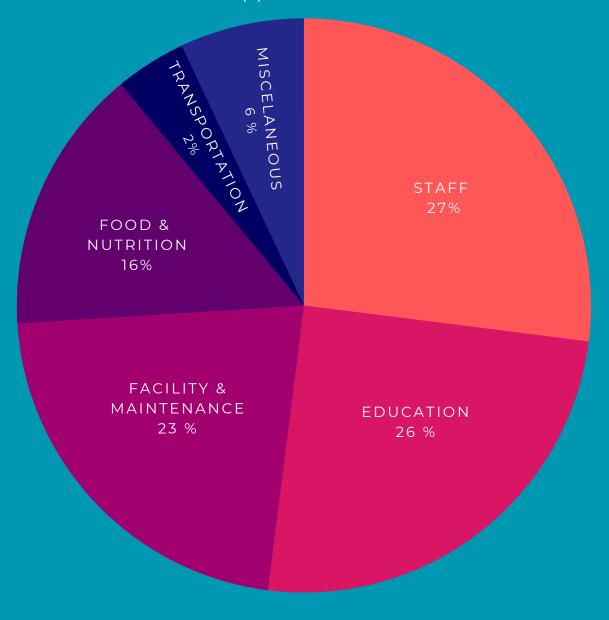




Everything we do and create at the home is designed with one thing in mind – to provide what is needed to live a stable, healthy and happy life. This year will be filled with more weddings, graduations and accomplishments. We look forward to sharing our story.



As a nonprofit, we rely on your trust and support to do our work. We are and always have been committed to ethical principles, transparency and accountability to all of you who support what we do. Every dollar donated to Hope Now goes to our kids and the infrastructure that supports them.





TRANSPORTATION 2%

FACILITY & MAINTENANCE 23 %

MISCELLANEOUS 6%

EDUCATION 26%

FOOD & NUTRITION 16 %

STAFF SALARIES 27%

## English as a Second Language

Teaching English as a second language provides the fundamental language skills that equip non-native speakers for future success in school, business and society at large. English is the language of business around the world including India. We are providing weekly lessons with an ESL teacher so the kids become proficient in the English language which will provide a valued skill as they pursue careers upon graduation.

## Growing More Organic Food

Good nutrition is very important for long-term health and well-being. Studies have found that people living with HIV who regularly eat healthy food in the right amounts can better tolerate HIV drugs, maintain a healthy weight, and feel better overall. As we continue to expand our garden foot print, we are able to provide organic produce grown on site. Most Indian families have a home garden. Learning how to plant and tend to a small garden is a skill the kids will take into their adult lives wherever they go.

## Develop Strong Business Partnerships

Internships are an essential source of talent and play a crucial role in shaping a career. Internships are also an opportunity to network with great people and sharpen skills before entering the work force. Hope Now is working to create a diverse group of Business Partnerships that will provide internship opportunities for our kids in college and vocational school. Employers often hire interns so they can train them for full-time employment upon graduating. Building a strong network will provide a pathway to employment for our kids.

