

# ANNUAL REPORT | 2014-15







CHILDREN OF GOD FOUNDATION

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# **Complete Mission**

C.O.G.F is a movement to enrich the life of street kids through God'slove, better security and through right education.

# **MAJOR CHALLENGE**

It is estimated that globally around 100 million children and young people are living on the streets. Whilst many children develop resilience to the risks associated with life on the streets, many children are vulnerable to physical, psychological and sexual exploitation and are excluded from mainstream social structures and opportunities. To promote street children's best chances in life, services are needed to reduce these risks and also prevent marginalization from society. Understanding what services are most likely to be effective in improving outcomes for street children and systematically reviewing all evidence is important for ensuring that resources are invested efficiently and ultimately street children can live safe and healthy lives.



## **FACTS**

Majority of the street children are boys as either the parents fear the dangers of street life to females or they are more likely to be engaged in a commercial sex work or maids in bars and backstreet hotels Their emotional and cognitive development also seriously affected as they experienced hostile, rejecting, and/or abusive behaviour from their home and / or the public Therefore, their basic emotional security and trust affected profoundly . They lose basicparental affection and suffer



from low self-esteem ,apathy, fatalism, anxiety, depression, or so regressed behaviors .The result is that their depression is often manifested through self-mutilation and suicide attempts found similar results in boys who had been sexually victimized.

Street Children are severely affected from malnutrition, especially in their early life, resulting in cognitive, social and behavioral deficits like cognitive and motor delays, anxiety, depression, social problems and problems with attention and they become frustrated. Exposure to violence and abuse can cause serious mental health problems including depression, anxiety and psychosomatic complaints and substance use disorders, which are very common among street children.

#### **OUR RESPONSE**

C.O.G.F aims at employing a wide variety of strategies to address the needs and rights of street children...

# PROJECT STEP-UP: RESIDENTIAL SCHOOLING

It is a project run by C.O.G.F. for street children with no formal education, subject to any form of abuse. COGF engages in three step approach towards complete rehabilitation of the street kids

# **INNER HEALING**

Here the activities are focused on assisting children to recover from drug, abuse with the help of medical practitioner & counselors.

Art is an important and universal facet of human expression and is as old as human civilization. "The use of art for healing and mastery is at least as old as the drawings on the walls of caves". Expressive arts include activities such as dancing, drawing, drama, creativity. Creative arts allow children the opportunity to grow and develop self-awareness through selfexpression. This has been shown to reduce stress and accelerate psychological and physical healing



Expressive arts are integrated into each stage of the children's development. Through a wide variety of programs, COGF facilitates emotional and creative expression, helps heal psychological wounds, and accelerates developmental growth through its use of the arts. Children receive music instruction and have regular access to instruments. Children have access to donated art supplies and regularly draw and paint. Many participate in creative writing, journaling, and poetry.

# **EDUCATION**

The aim of COGF is to reintegrate children into the public school system and society at large and therefore de-stigmatize them. A progressive non-formal education project was introduced using innovative training tools. These focused on techniques of working with children of varying capacities and levels of

learning, monitoring and evaluation, learning through play, and selflearning. Children who are above 12 yrs are taught in a 3- step module (with specially designed syllabus) for 3 years. After completion of 3 yrs, the child is prepared to give his 10th through N.I.O.S. (Delhi Open School). Children below 12 yrs are admitted to formal schooling.

# **REHABILITATION**

Rehabilitation is the process of re-integration of the child into the society. Once the child finishes his basic education, he or she is encouraged to pursue a profession of their choice along with a job to support them. The child is then relocated into the society. The main objective of cogf is to see vulnerablekids transformed into fulfilled responsible persons.

# PROJECT STEP-IN: STUDY CENTERS

These centers are aimed to serve a larger number of street children than institutional programs. These work to alleviate the worst aspects of the street life for children by providing services to them in the streets. These centers are called step-in centers were a child can easily drop in to find help.

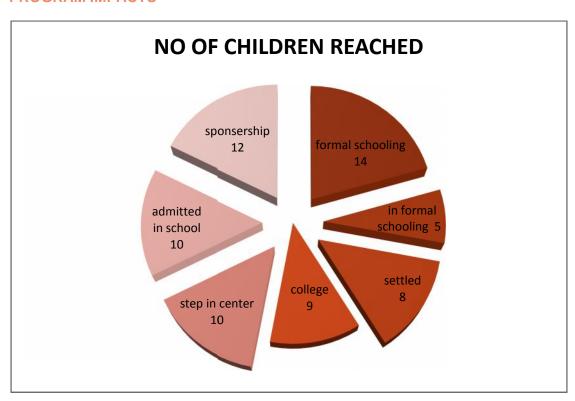


# SPONSERSHIP PROGRAMME

Some children need temporary financial support/shelter, till their near ones can care for them again. Cogf provides temporary support so that that the children are not drawn to the street or fall into wrong hands.

Cogf also sponsors' the education of the children who have left cogf. These children are now living on their own and wish to study further

### **PROGRAM IMPACTS**



# **HIGHLIGHTS OF THE YEAR 2014-15**

# **NEW ADDITION....**

- A ten year old boy and his sister was brought to our home by their aunt, they ran away
  from their native and came to Mumbai to their mothers house father had died when they
  were small hence looked after by their relatives. Their mother being deaf and mute was
  not able to look after herself, so he was brought here, later his sister was also brought
  here on 6<sup>th</sup> nov.
- Another 13 yrs old boy was taken in COGF, as the home for boys run by an organization was shut down.

#### ACADEMICS...

- Jaira cleared her 10<sup>th</sup> and admitted to 11<sup>th</sup> arts national college-bhandup.
- Siddesh, suvarna and suraj prajapati cleared there 12 th state board exam with 60%,64% and 68% resp.

#### **EVENTS**

 Children took part in Christmas mela organized by Christmas mela committee and performed very well.

## **REHABILITATION...**

- Siddesh was admitted for b.com in acharaya college and shifted to BCC (Bombay Christian center ) after getting a job as office assistance in majid bundar.
- Suvarna got admission for bsw in nirmala niketan. After getting sponsorship for hostel fees she was shifted to nirmala niketan hostel on 3<sup>rd</sup> july 2014.
- Suraj prajapati is pursuing a diploma in Hardware and networking, also working as computer service eng. Suraj was shifted to BCC on <sup>1st</sup> dec.
- Suraj. J was sent to don bosco on 1<sup>st</sup> may 2014 for certificate course in A.C maintenance .He is also working in a shop as electrician.

## **SPONSERSHIP**

- Vimla shetty working for our kalwa is sponsored by cogf for her B.com studies.
- Pavitra and deepika salve whose mother is a single parent were placed in Ma-niketan valiv(vasai)on 15<sup>th</sup> july 2014 as part of sponsorship programme. cogf is sponsoring them for one year.

# **PATNERSHIP**

• COGF is now partnering with Kites global for thetraining of staff. The training is helping the caregivers to be effective in taking care of the kids and themselves.

# **SPECIAL EVENTS**

- By Gods grace our staff Sunita Sitaram got settled into family life on 6<sup>th</sup> Dec 2015.
- Girls' home was shifted to Airoli on 20<sup>th</sup> October as we had received orders from BMC to vacate till dec.
   As we wanted both homes at one place we shifted the boys' home also to Airoli on 18<sup>th</sup> October.



# **TESTIMONY**

Myself sahil shetty and I am glad to share my testimony that shows gods abundance grace and faithfulness. I am proud that God had chosen me and taken care of me even before I knew Him, YOU DID NOT CHOOSE ME, BUT I CHOOSE YOU AND APPOINTED YOU SO THAT YOU MIGHT GO AND BEAR FRUIT (JOHN 15:16)

I used to live with my Father near Thane station, my father was a Drug addict and I was helping my father and his friends in getting his daily dose of drugs. Playing, roaming with friends and selling few goods in the train were my daily routine. A cup of tea and two pav was my daily breakfast and vadapav, bajjipav or missle pav were mylunch and dinner. Dad was very caring towards me but if he was high on drugs then I had to starve.



Once a staff from Oasis India noticed me on the street playing and took a permission from my dad and brought me to the shelter ASHADEEP which was at thane west in koper. So after my regular attendance and changes in behavioral pattern they sent me school and then to boarding house at Mira road where I studied till 4<sup>th</sup> std in Marathi medium. Once I ran away from there in search of my mom and found her in thane station, she was working as a maid in Koliwada, Thane west so I stayed with my mom and was working in a parking lot. My salary was only Rs 500 for a month. My duty was not only to work in parking lot but also to wash plates in marriage functions that weretaken by my boss. My legs were filled with sores because of water and wet mud that I could not even wear my slippers. People used to notice me and suggested that I study rather than work. Later I left the job and started working as a coolie in thane station.

When my dad passed away, I was very upset and on my mother's advice to join any hostel I decided to visit an ngo having day care shelter near kurla platform, there was no facility to stay in a night. In the night I returned to thane station and worked as a coolie to fill my stomach. Once two staffs from COGF came to visit our shelter, as there was place in their home I was admitted to COGF. As I was 14 yrs by now and had studied in Marathi it was not easy to go to English medium school hence I was home schooled. In one year I could read and write English quite well, hence was admitted in 10<sup>th</sup>NIOS Board. I could clear all subjects in one attempt except Math's. While I attempted to clear my 10<sup>th</sup>I got an opportunity to learn any one instrument I decided to learn guitar and they sent me to the music class, in the music class sir told me that you are completely blank and flat in music you have to learn much more, I left the class after attending a single class. I was told about ELM Bangalore's one month music training and was asked to pray for sponsorship and I got sponsorship and I went to Bangalore for one month training and in a month I learnt guitar. When I came back I gave my 10<sup>th</sup> std but failed again, I was very close to my mother I could not bear to see her still staying on the streets while I was having shelter, so all theses led me into depression and I tried to commit suicide but saved by God grace. It took me three years to clear my 10<sup>th</sup>, I passed with 47% percentage, percentage did not matter but the four letter word PASS was a miracle. By god's grace I got admission in National College and secured 57% in 11<sup>th</sup> and in 12<sup>th</sup> passed with 69%. When I was in FYBA I was settled outside the home in a rented house. Initially it was a struggle earning to take care of myself and managing my studies, but because of the support from teachers and all the praying knees I was not only able to take care of myself but also my sister who is now living with me and pursuing her degree in SYBBI. At present I have graduated from Mumbai University with 67% in BA English literature and working in Ryan international school as a Music teacher.

# This Work Needs Your Help

- ➤ Child sponsorship: Rs. 5000 (Food, hostel facilities, clothing, travel, etc.)
- Food and Accomodation :Rs.2000
- : Rs. 1000 ( education per child ) Education
- Educational material for one child :Rs. 500 (books and stationeries) (Project Step - In)
- Figures mentioned above are per month, per child

# Your Donation is More Important than ever Before

You can send a D.D or cheque or money order in the name of 'CHILDREN OF GOD FOUNDATION' and send it to below office address

Donations to C.O.G.F are exempted u/s 80-G of the Income Tax Act

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Write to us at: cogf.mumbai@gmail.com

# Volunteer and Make a Difference.

- By being 'reach-out'partners wherethe volunteer can commit few hours a day for teaching the under privileged children in our project area -kalwa. Interested Volunteers will have to undergo training before volunteering.
- By being 'resource' partners where the partners volunteers to collect used clothes, crayons, bags, toys books, etc and make it available for children in
- By being 'research' partners where the partners who are creative and willing to utilize their time and talent meaningfully, can come and help us by developing educational material for the children.

# **Wish Lists**

- Musical instrument for kids, guitar, keyboard, and a violin.
- Sewing machines for the center.
- Desktop for the residential care unit and the center.
- Bunk bed for the children in the residential care.

# **FINANCIAL REPORT**

CHILDREN OF GOD FOUNDATION TRUST 4/432, KAMAL SAGAR SOCIETY, RCF COLONY, BHANDUP (E), MUMBAI-400042 E-24742

#### REGISTRATION NO: E-24742 ( BOM )

#### INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31ST MARCH, 2015

EXPENDITURE		AMT	INCOME		AMT
OF PROPERTIES :-			BY RENT		
RATES, TAXES, CESSES SALARIES RENT INSURANCE DEPRECIATION	1		BY INTEREST ON SECURITIES ON LOANS ON FIXED DEPOSITS ON BANK A/C	101,384.00 43,414.00	144,798.00
			BY DIVIDEND		
TO ESTABLISHMENT EXPENSES (SCHEDULE A)		99,308.00	BY DONATION IN CASH OR IN KIND		3
			For Building Fund For General Purpose For Step In	1,971,630.00	1,971,630.00
TO REMUNERATION TO TRUSTEES		-	DV CD INTE		
TO LEGAL FEES			BY GRANTS		
			BY INCOME FROM OTHER		-
TO AUDIT FEES		8,588.00	SOURCES ADMISSION/TERM/ TUTION FEES MISCELLANEOUS INCOME	š	2,650.00
TO CONTRIBUTION AND FEES		-	BY TRANSFER FROM RESERVE		
TO AMOUNTS WRITTEN OFF		-	BY DEFICIT CARRIED OVER TO BALANCE SHEET		
TO MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES		27,500.00			
TO DEPRECIATION		32,495.00			
TO BANK CHARGES		510.00			
TO AMOUNTS TRANSFERRED TO RESERVE OR SPECIFIC FO	UNDS				
TO EXPENDITURE ON OBJECT OF THE TRUST					
(a) RELIGIOUS (b) EDUCATIONAL (SCHEDULE B)	1,776,70 .00				
(c) MEDICAL RELIEF (d) RELIEF OF POVERTY	_				
(e) OTHER CHARITABLE OBJECTS		1,776,701.00			
TO SURPLUS CARRIED OVER TO BALANCE SHEET		173,976.00			
	TOTAL RS.	2,119,078.00		TOTAL RS.	2,119,078.0

FOR CHILDREN OF GOD FOUNDATION TRUST

(Trustee) (Trustee) (Trustee)

Dharmendra A. Vasu

and our Reports attach herewith

FOR MEHTA & VASU CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS

(Partner) M. NO. : 47064

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# REGISTRATION NO: E-24742 ( BOM )

# BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31ST MARCH, 2015

FUNDS & LIABILITIES		AMT	PROPERTY AND ASSETS	AMT
TRUST FUNDS OR CORPUS :		IMMOVABLE PROPERTY:		
BALANCE AS PER LAST BALANCE SHEET ADJUSTMENT DURING	1,000.00		INVESTMENTS: FIXED DIPOSIT WITH IOB ACCURED INTEREST ON FD 86.893.00	2,396,893.0
THE YEAR		1,000.00	60,025.00	2,570,075.0
OTHER EARMARKED FUNDS BUILDING FUND: BALANCE AS PER LAST	1:		COMPUTER	32,680.0
BALANCE AS FER LAST BALANCE SHEET ADJUSTMENT DURING	745,972.00		MUSICAL INSTRUMENT	19,191.0
THE YEAR	55,770.00	801,742.00	FURNITURE & FIXTURES	30,927.0
LOANS :			SCOOTY	49,025.00
(SECURED OR UNSECURED	)		LOANS: (SECURED OR UNSECURED)	49,500.00
FOR EXPENSES		26,331.00	ADVANCES :	
FOR ADVANCES FOR RENT AND OTHER DEPOSITS FOR SUNDRY CREDIT BALANCES		1,440,000.00	T.D.S. RECEIVABLE	19,218.00
			DEPOSITS	110,000.00
			PREPAID EXPENSE	
			INCOME OUTSTANDING:	
INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT:		RENT INTEREST		
BALANCE AS PER LAST			OTHER INCOME	
BALANCE SHEET	314,288.75		PRELIMINARY EXP	
ADD : SURPLUS AS PER			CASH & BANK BALANCE:	
INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT	173,976.00	488,264.75	CASH ON HAND In Saving Account with	20,313.50
			INDIAN OVERSEAS BANK	29,590.25
	TOTAL RS.	2,757,337.75	TOTAL RS.	2,757,337.75

FOR CHILDREN OF GOD FOUNDATION TRUST,

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PLACE: MUMBAN DATE: 30.11.201 As per Books of Accounts produced and our Reports attach herewith FOR MEHTA & VASU CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS

Dharmendra A. Vasu (Partner) M. NO. : 47064 CHILDREN OF GOD FOUNDATION TRUST 4/432, KAMAL SAGAR SOCIETY, RCF COLONY, BHANDUP (E), MUMBAI-400042 E-24742

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# Shedules forming part of income & expenditure and balance sheet

# Shedule A: Establishment Expenses

Particulars	Amount
Mobile Exp	25,210.00
Printing & Stationary Exp	13,115.00
Recreation	55,983.00
Account Writing Charges	5,000.00
Total (In Rs)	99,308.00

# Shedule B: Expenses For Educational purpose

Particulars	Amount
Salary Exp in Step In	281,550.00
Educational Visit in Step In	3,950.00
Computer Exp	14,205.00
Computer Exp in Step In	250.00
Children Education Expenses	279,530.00
Education Fees	100,757.00
Home Study Material Purchase	33,121.00
Rent Expensess Of School Children	292,800.00
Electricity Exp in Step In	47,382.00
Grocery Exp in Step In	222,272.00
Medical Emergency	42,911.00
Home Repairs & Maintenace	139,041.00
Picnic Expenses	5,400.00
Food Expenses in Step in	13,307.00
Medical Expenses in Step In	30,213.00
Printing & Stationary Exp in Step In	209.00
Repairs & Maintanece Exp in Step In	4,655.00
Rent Exp in Step In	44,000.00
Staff Salary in Step In .	103,000.00
Study Material Exp In Step In	95.00
Telephone Exp in Step In	350.00
Registration	2,000.00
Electricity/Water Exp In Step In	5,100.00
Conveyance	102,673.00
Conveyance in Step In	7,930.00
Total (In Rs)	1,776,701.00



# **Looking Forward**

Finance: We expect to increase funding, in order to fund the upcoming community development project.

Upcoming Program: Starting community development in Kalwa as most of the street kids in thane station are from this area. Creating awareness among the parents about children's right, educating and encouraging the parents to sent their children to school and not viewing them as source of income.

# Thank You

No one can whistle a symphony. It takes a whole orchestra to play it.



We thank all...

Oursponsors' for supporting us: Your Unselfish and noble actions only evokes gratitude from the bottom of our hearts.

Our training partner: we are grateful for the valuable insights and helping us to grow personally and as a team

Our prayer partners: for their earnest prayers, constant encouragement and guidance.