

Annual Impact Report 2024-25: Sarva Seva Sangh

Empowering Vulnerable Children, Youth, and Families in Pune

This year, Sarva Seva Sangh (SSS) worked tirelessly to protect the rights and build the futures of Pune's most vulnerable communities. Our efforts were focused on two key areas: supporting children in street situations and empowering children, youth, and families affected by HIV/AIDS.

1. Project for Children in Street Situations

Reaching the Unreached on Pune's Streets

- **Children Reached:** 769 children (341 boys, 428 girls) through direct interventions at traffic signals, temples, malls, and other public spaces.
- **Education Enrolled:** 30 children were newly enrolled in formal schools. Our mobile doorstep schools provided foundational education to 195 children.
- **Safe Shelter:** Provided safe hostel accommodation for 10 girls and a shelter for 5 boys.
- **Protection & Awareness:** Conducted over 30 awareness sessions on child rights, reaching 304 children. Trained 114 teachers and 65 police personnel on child protection laws.
- **Community Impact:** Sensitized over 10,000 students and citizens through mime shows and consultations on the harms of child begging.

Success Story: From Signal to School

Rahul, 6, worked with his parents at a traffic signal. After a year and a half of persistent counseling, the family moved into a rented home and enrolled him in school, prioritizing his safety and future.

2. Project for HIV-Affected Children & Families

Building Resilience and Hope

- **Families Supported:** 166 families received comprehensive care and support.
- **Children & Youth Served:** 165 children (72 boys, 93 girls) and 84 adolescents/youth (48 male, 36 female).
- **Life Skills & Leadership:** Conducted 2 residential life skill camps for 40 children on 'My Safety' and 'Child Rights'. 5 Children's Parliaments with 61 members took initiative to solve community issues like blocked drainage lines.
- **Educational Support:** Provided school supplies and educational support to 60 children.
- **Youth Empowerment:** Our 4 youth groups (77 members) organized digital literacy workshops, crisis management sessions, and a sports day. A landmark achievement was facilitating 7 marriages between HIV-positive youth, providing them with companionship and mutual support.
- **Celebrating Success:** 19 students who passed their 10th and 12th-grade exams were felicitated in a special "Your Success, Our Pride" ceremony.

Our Challenges

We continue to face the mobile nature of street families, deep-rooted poverty, the stigma around HIV, and slow systemic change. Evictions and administrative delays also pose significant hurdles to our work.

Looking Ahead

Next year, we will strengthen our community-led structures like Children's Parliaments and Self-Help Groups. We will enhance financial literacy programs, deepen our advocacy with government bodies, and continue to provide a safe, supportive environment for every child and family we serve.

Heartfelt Gratitude

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