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2018 annual report



Once again, Hope Abides continued to see growth with donations raised from supporters and support provided to our partner orphanages and schools.

Our 2018 fundraiser dinner drew approximately 160 people, the second highest attendance to-date. It was also the second most profitable event we have had, falling only a few hundred dollars shy of the previous year's high mark. The success of the event was due in part to our guest speaker (and HA partner) Aarti Naik who was in the U.S. as a finalist in UC Berkeley's 'Tell Her Story' contest.

Total grants from foundation and corporations again dropped from last year, totaling less than \$3,000. The past couple of years have seen a downward trend which may be a sign of the times. Some studies show that over 90% of U.S. charitable giving is targeted to domestic causes, both local and national. Less than 10% of

charitable giving goes to international causes. Supporting children half a world away is tough even during good times, but we continue to work hard to get support from a variety of foundations and corporations.

Thankfully, the drop in grants received was offset by our best year ever with individual donors. Overall, 2018 was our most fruitful year ever with revenue generated of \$93,000 (per unaudited financial statements) - an increase of over 10% from 2017. Audited financial statements will be available late May 2019



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Ahead provides therapy, education and vocational training to dozens of severely mentally and physically challenged children in Kolkata. In 2018 we helped to fund salaries for their therapists and psychologist. Additionally, we sponsored four of their children.





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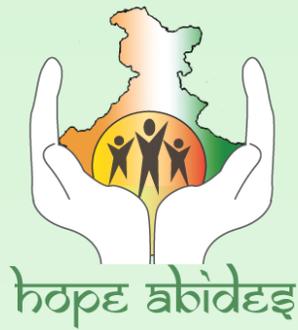
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Aum Pranava Ashram (APA) is in Ilanji, a rural area in the Indian state of Tamil Nadu. They care for about 70 children, many of whom are in, or preparing, for post-high school education. Hope Abides was able to fund the primary and secondary education costs for 20+ students. The older children at APA are studying for careers in commerce, electrical work and mechanical engineering. Our sponsors support nine of their children.



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Sphoorti Foundation is located in a rural area near the city of Hyderabad,. Most of the children are now living in their new campus with many buildings up and new ones under construction. It is home to approximately 200 children. We are happy to say that Hope Abides has sponsors for over three dozen of the kids.

The oldest wave of children are solidly in university, or even graduating and entering the work force. For example, two of “our sponsored girls recently graduated and are now working for a U.S. based software company which serves in the field of healthcare analytics.

We also funded tuition assistance, girls’ undergarments and sponsorship of 15 Gond tribal children.

Left - Ratna recent university graduate



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Premdham, located in the state of Uttar Pradesh, cares for approximately 130 boys and men who are severely mentally and physically challenged.

Our January 2018 grant bought badly needed tables, chairs, music system (for therapy) and clothes dryer.





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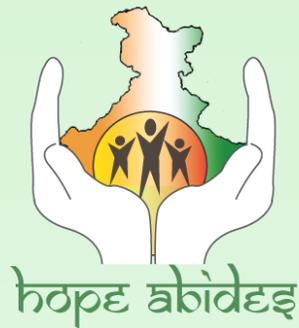
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Substantial support was provided to **Saraswati Anath Shikshan Ashram (SASA)** our partner in Pune. Grant money from Hope Abides funded food, tutors salary and computers. With help from a major supporter, the orphanage now has a library, as well as food to supplement their regular diet.

Eight of the 30 boys are sponsored through Hope Abides. All boys continue to receive tutoring to help with computer skills and overall academic performance.



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Mission for the Rural People

(MRP) now has a massive new dining hall for their 120 children. Started in 2013, the project was finally brought to completion with help from a few generous donors (thanks!).

The children now have a proper place to eat rather than outside. This is a major benefit especially during monsoon season. Hope Abides provided tuition help for over two dozen vocational, college and university students including one in her 4th year of medical school. A new boys' dorm is under construction with us funding a portion of the cost.

With our clean water partner **For One Another Foundation** we facilitated the funding and construction of a bore well for Brooke orphanage (which is affiliated with MRP). Not only does it bring clean water to Brooke, but also is used by the surrounding village. The locals no longer have to travel miles for clean water or to buy bottled water. Hope Abides sponsors over three dozen children at MRP and sister orphanage Moparru.



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More grants:



In partnership with **Kuriakose Elias Service Society (KESS)** we provided education help to 50 children of families impacted by cancer and aids. Later in the year we helped with education and other assistance to 75 children devastated by the massive flooding in Kerala.

Hope Abides partnered with KESS and **For One Another Foundation** to distribute dozens of water filters to women led households.

Miscellaneous grants:

Global Aid (Vizianagaram, Andhra Pradesh) - Tuition and various supplies for 15 girls

Aids Combat International (Mumbai) - Glaucoma screening and treatment; adults and children. Funded by major HA supporter.

Brooke - Windows for facility in preparation for winter.

Precious Children (Kottayam, Kerala) - Tuition 3rd year nursing student.

Sakhi for Girls Education (Mumbai) - Raised over \$2,000 for slum girls

Thank you to all of our volunteers and supporters. We hope that this Annual Report has explained how much your generosity is helping change the life trajectory of our kids. Also, a huge thank you to the leaders at each of our partners in India. You do the hard work on a daily basis. We are proud to be a small part of the good work you do.

Here's to a successful 2019!

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