



# hope abides

Hope & Help for Orphans in India

October 2012



## 2nd Annual Fundraiser Dinner a Success!

The second annual Hope Abides fundraiser was held September 29th at the Rancho Cordova City Hall. Attendees were entertained by UC, Davis South Asian A Cappella group Jhankaar (pictured above) and the band Mantra. A variety of vegetarian and non-vegetarian food was enjoyed by all.



Kristy Dray displays her henna tattoo

The fourth award of the evening was to the Carmelites of Mary Immaculate (CMI) an order of Catholic priests from Kerala. CMI was kind enough to host our Founder, Brent Adams, on his trip to India last year. In a true spirit of service and generosity, three members of CMI (Fathers Anto, Varghese and James) travelled with him for several days to all four corners of Kerala visiting various orphanages and children's homes. The following week, Father Anto, also guided him throughout many other areas of India including Andhra Pradesh, Uttar Pradesh, Delhi and Maharashtra. The award was made *in absentia* to CMI, but will be presented to them in Kerala in November.



**Hope Abides** is a U.S. based multi-faith organization whose mission is to provide help and hope to orphaned and destitute children in India. We help children regardless of their gender or religious background and seek participation from all regardless of nationality or faith.



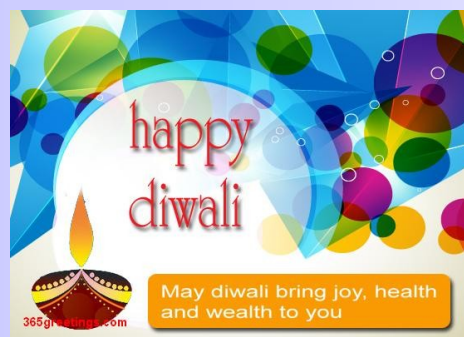
(Left to right) Anil Mandava (TAGS), Brent and Marie Adams (HA), Swarna Kambhampati (TAGS) & Suresh Kotha (HA)

### TAGS Supports Hope Abides

The Telugu Association of Greater Sacramento (TAGS) presented Hope Abides with a donation of \$2,000. This is the second year in a row that TAGS has made such a generous gift to us. The donation was presented at their annual Family Camping Event in Coloma, California in late August. We are very grateful for their support.

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### Sponsor a Child

To sponsor Ganesh, whose mother passed away and whose father is mentally ill, click [here](#). Only \$25/mth can help him towards a more secure future.

To sponsor other children or supplies click [here](#).

One time donation to our general fund click [here](#).

This year we presented awards to individuals and organizations who have played a significant role in our success. Awards were made to Kate Carasca of St. Mary School in Sacramento and Natasha Yerramilli of Sacramento Waldorf School. Both of these young ladies held fundraisers at their schools and were successful in raising hundreds of dollars to help our orphanages. Additionally, Natasha produced a short film documenting the work of the Sphoorti Foundation in Hyderabad. An award was presented to the Telugu Association of Greater Sacramento for their support financially and for allowing us to network with their membership. They were the first organization that supported us and have been great partners in our mission. (See related article below).



(Left to right) Supporter Prasanna Kotha, event decorator par excellence Dee Hodges, Board member Sandie Yerramilli

In addition to entertainment mentioned above, there were henna tattoos provided by artist Marina Bian and a Bollywood dance number from Anisha Yerramilli, Larissa Lief, Hannah Fields and Lillian Olsen. This year's dinner surpassed the previous year's in number of attendees and net revenue! We tripled the net revenue from 2011 and 100% of that net revenue will be get to the orphanages with whom we work. It was truly a great evening.

**Thanks to our supporters who made it all possible!!**



### Colors of India

Global Visions is a charity based in California that supports educational initiatives for youth affected by poverty and conflict. Their focus this year is on displaced communities in Sri Lanka following a 30 year catastrophic civil war. Please consider attending their [fundraiser event](#) this November.

### Hope Abides Welcomes New Board Member

We are proud to announce the addition of a seventh member to our Board of Directors. Monika Sane is a Semiconductor Chip Design Engineer at Intel Corporation. She is originally from the state of Maharashtra and earned her bachelor's degree in Electronics Engineering from Pune, India and her Master's degree from BYU, Utah. She has been a part of designing multitude of microprocessor chips and chips inside cell phone and tablet PCs over the last 15 years. She feels a very strong social obligation and has carried out multiple solo projects to help children in India. Welcome aboard Monika!



**Bollywood Movie Night**  
3750 Bannister Rd  
Fair Oaks, Ca  
December, 7th 5:30 pm.

Fundraiser for Sphoorti Foundation (a Hope Abides partner) and a School for underprivileged Children in India

3 free movies to choose from: (Donations suggested)

Dhoom 2 - Action  
Bride and Prejudice - English, based on "Pride and Prejudice"  
Kabhi Khooshi Kabhi Gum - Star studded typical Bollywood movie

There is also FOOD for purchase and Henna