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Hope & Help for Orphans in India

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2016 - Our Best Year Ever!

Preliminary financial statements for yearend 2016 show that Hope Abides provided \$67,000 in grants and nearly \$19,000 in sponsorships to our partners in India.

Based on a 17-fold purchasing power factor from the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development this is roughly equivalent to \$1,400,000 in food, shelter and education for orphans and vulnerable children in India!!

We may be relatively small, but the generosity of our supporters is paying BIG dividends - thanks so much!!



10th Graders Seek Assistance for post-High School Costs



Over one dozen of our kids at Sphoorti Foundation in Hyderabad will be graduating from 10th STD and moving on to college. Tuition is not an issue, but they do need help with other costs such as transportation and school supplies.

Their recent exam grades (and ambitious goals) are listed below.

Most of the children are expected to score above 7.5 on their placement exams. There are a few students who have the potential to score 9.5.

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, caste or religious background and seek participation from all.

Hope Abides Partner Aarti Naik **Receives U.S. Recognition**



The U.S. based International Literacy Association (ILA) recently included Hope Abides partner Aarti Naik in its recent '30 Under 30' list.

ILA is a global advocacy & membership organization of more than 300,000 literacy educators, researchers, & experts across 75 countries.

Honorees of ILA's second annual <u>30 Under 30</u> list were unveiled in the September/October 2016 issue of Literacy Today. The 30 Under 30 program, which debuted in 2015, honors the next class of literacy champions who are transforming classrooms, the community, and the world.



Aarti is a self described Changemaker and Founder of SAKHI for Girls Education. SAKHI's mission is to create quality learning spaces at the community level, so that every girl in the slums of Mumbai, India, will get an opportunity to continue her education with confidence.

Hope Abides is requesting one time donations of \$150 to help each child with costs. If you are interested, please contact Hope Abides President Brent Adams at brent.adams@hopeabides.org for a link to donate and to let him know which child you would like to assist.

For information on academic grading in India, please see this Wikipedia article.

Note - children listed below with an asterisk have already been sponsored.

Name	Goal	Exam Results
Varsha	Cardiologist	9.50
Ashwini	Teacher	7.00
Devi	Fashion Designer	9.00
Sujatha	Police	7.50
Shirisha	Government Service	9.80
Sumalatha	Doctor	9.50
Shanthi	IT Professional	9.50
Swetha *	IT Professional	9.00

Hope Abides has worked with SAKHI since 2014 to provide mentoring opportunities with other Hope Abides partners as well as funding for educational materials, a teacher and a larger facility in which the girls can meet.

Congratulations Aarti and thanks for all you do!

To make a one-time or recurring donation or to see children available for sponsorship click here.

Questions? Comments? E-mail us at info@hopeabides.org or call 1 916 690-4289 (US)

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Name	Goal	Exam Results
Vani *	IT Professional	9.50
Nirmala *	Teacher	8.50
Arun *	Engineer	8.00
Jahangeer	Army	8.00
Dilip	Police	8.50
Pavan	IT Professional	6.50