



Urgent need to focus on preventive public health measures

At Shanti Ashram and the International Center for Child and Public Health, we decided to look out for our most vulnerable children and women in our service villages across rural India. We aim to support their care in their homes, in the warmth of their families as well as in local community settings.

The **focus** of creating this social safety net will include **three important dimensions**:

01 Facilitating critical Public Health Education on COVID 19 prevention & extension of PPE kits.

02 Extension of child health services as the lock-down continues to affect access to health services in low socio economic communities.

03 Ensuring food security for the most vulnerable children with local rural women entrepreneurs

THE BENEFICIARIES: WHO WILL WE SERVE?

Informed disease prevention and control requires epidemiological knowledge of the disease, multi-faceted causation, sources of infection and dynamics of transition. Frequently it may be necessary to identify and institute more than one method of reaching out to vulnerable children simultaneously as the impact of the current COVID 19 Pandemic has been multi-dimensional. The inclusion criteria will include children living with:

- Mother headed families
- Families living with HIV
- Living in extreme poverty
- Families cared for by grandparents in the absence of (living or deceased) parents



TIME FRAME
September 2020
to February 2021

SERVICE AREA
Service villages
of Shanti Ashram



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ICPH members of Shantidharma

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Stärkung verbindet
Stärkung verbindet
Baden-Württemberg

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STAATSMINISTERIUM

EINE WELT LADEN
Viel bewegt
30 JAHRE



THE GREAT DIGITAL_DIVIDE

SOME HAVE MANY . MANY, HAVE NONE!

Poverty raises its head in the digital world too. The lack of access to the digital world and to devices is as big a threat as hunger. The COVID 19 Pandemic is unfolding real time this new divide and the accompanying 'Learning crisis'

At Shanti Ashram we are working actively to bridge the divide for our Children. Can you help bridge the divide? Let's collaborate.

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**17 October: International Day for
the Eradication of Poverty in INDIA**



“We are all members of one human family. United we stand and divided we fall. This sense of common destiny will have to be instilled in all schools and educational institutions around the world.”

Dr. M. Aram
 Founder President, Shanti Ashram
 Former Member of Parliament, Rajya Sabha
 Former, Vice Chancellor, Gandhigram Rural University

During these past one hundred days and more of the COVID 19 Pandemic, we have often spoken about despair, disease and death. A virus invisible to the naked eye with the power to disrupt daily life and global affairs at such a scale - this is indeed a public health crisis. The data is there for us to gauge the extent of the pandemic.

John Maxwell said, “Leadership is not about titles, positions, or flowcharts. It is about one life influencing another”. These past two months, we saw this spirit amongst the young volunteers and child representatives of Shanti Ashram. There was a surge in the spirit of volunteering and the desire to be part of something constructive, something useful. They talked amongst themselves, developed some creative ideas to serve the community, were willing partners with adults in community service, participating in interfaith prayers, sharing knowledge updates, and supporting with technology adoption in maximising outreach.

Our YOUNG VOLUNTEERS and CHILD REPRESENTATIVES have been living testimonies of volunteerism and creative leadership. The ‘evolving capacities of children and young people’ is something that has always energized the work at Shanti Ashram. 30 volunteers, girls and boys, between the age group of 11 to 31 engaged! The youngest was studying in 6th standard and the oldest was pursuing a PhD.

- Initiated public health awareness on personal hygiene across 37 villages,
- Organized online talent sharing connecting over 300 children from 10 cities
- Created content in the form of short videos, posters and reflections for the global community
- Supported with running the learning hub,
- Reflected and represented the youth perspective in interfaith prayers & gatherings, and
- Physically helped champions and workers on the frontline to ensure food security.

VOLUNTEERING AMIDST THE COVID 19 PANDEMIC

425 52 days of lock-down
30 52 days of Volunteering
 hours of volunteering
 dedicated volunteers

Shanti Ashram is truly privileged to place its ecosystem to these inspiring Young INDIANS!

Ecosystem of Volunteering
 Our volunteers have modeled and exemplified the United Nations working definition that states that the terms volunteering, volunteerism and voluntary activities refer to a wide range of activities, including traditional forms of mutual aid and self-help, formal service delivery and other forms of civic participation, undertaken of free will, for the general public good and where monetary reward is not the principal motivating factor.

In these difficult times, I have lent a compassionate ear to every customer and ensured food security for the village - all for only one reason

"people should not suffer"

D. Kalpana

Women Entrepreneur
Kasturba Gandhi Awardee



920

Families with ration cards have been ensured 100% provisions

40

Families without PDS cards have been provided supplies with help from donors

25

Days of continuously supplying warm meals to vulnerable elders and children

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transferred to vulnerable families as special Government COVID19 financial assistance.

Created a Community Connect to help line numbers as well as acted as eyes and ears of administration by communicating ground level data

Soliton Technologies Pvt Ltd & Shanti Ashram are proud to support the leadership and service of Ms. D. Kalpana during the COVID 19 Pandemic



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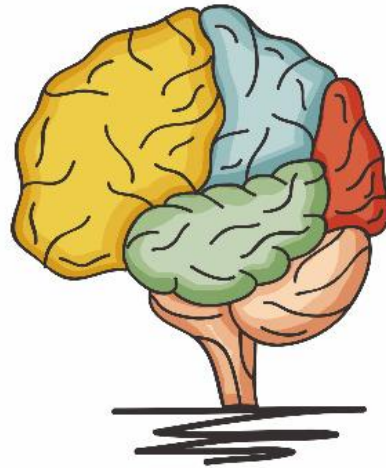
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*Let's talk about
 Mental Health*



Make
 YOUR mental
 Health a
Priority

Are you  wondering how to deal with daily **STRESS** and **FRIENDS** at the same time?

Does **ANXIETY** impair your **thinking and exam performance?** 

Do you find it  difficult to share your **PROBLEMS & OPINIONS** with your **PARENTS?**

At this unique interactive session happening **YOU** should be able to **DISCOVER ANSWERS** that helps **improve your mental health**

WEBINAR

Managing stress, improving decision making and ensuring mental wellbeing among adolescents'

FRIDAY,
31ST JULY 2020
3.00 - 5.00 PM

21st September 2020



“YOUNG LEADERS DIALOGUE ACROSS CONTINENTS”



Ready to work together for Peace?

We invite you to the 'Young Leaders Dialogue across Continents' to listen to one another and to share notes from leadership experiences and active peace-building. In unprecedented times like the COVID-19 Pandemic or in everyday encounters, such dialogue creates an environment of reflection, mutual learning and re-commitment to action, active peace building and community cohesion. The individual leader has a role as much as a team in shaping our collective work for active peace building. 'Leadership can be learnt' and here is an opportunity to learn from one another!



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Zoom Webinar: 918-9150-9510



Together let's 

Stand up for Peace

peace
Begins with **YOUTH.**

Your contribution to building world peace is priceless.
You are invited to join 1000s of global youth at the

Coimbatore Peace festival 2020

During the COVID-19 pandemic @Shanti Ashram via the digital platform

In the continuous quest for a peaceful world, Coimbatore Peace Festival aims to empower youth and actively engage youth in the rebuilding of a compassionate and cohesive society

Coimbatore Peace Festival 2020 marks the:

75th anniversary of bombing of Hiroshima and Nagasaki. It was the first use of an atom bomb in human history marking unprecedented destruction of innocent human lives and nature.

34 year commitment to Mahatma Gandhi's lifelong mission of building peace and ensuring justice actively with young people and children



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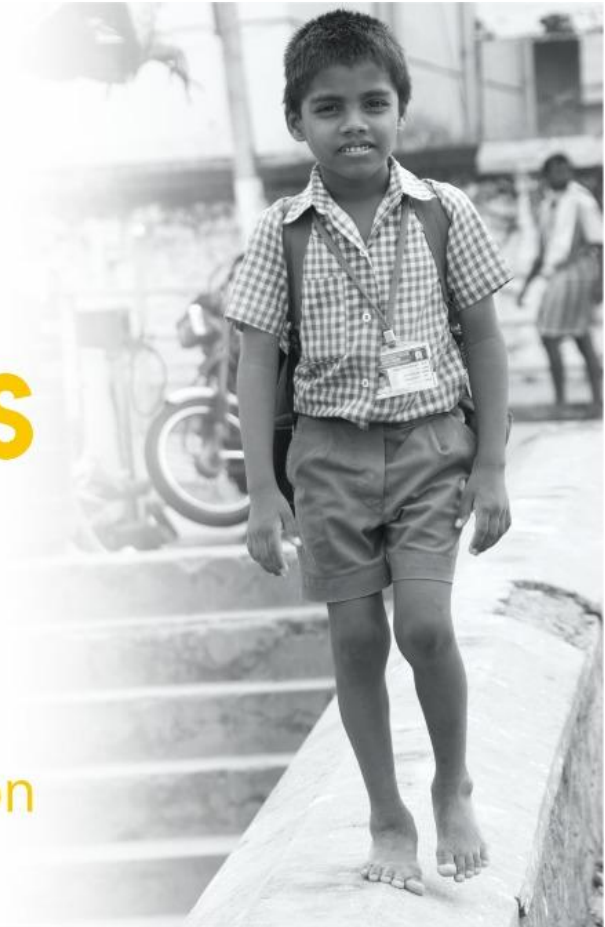


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9th Edition

INDIA POVERTY SOLUTIONS 2020

Eradicating poverty
by empowering
children with education



THE PURPOSE: India Poverty Solutions, a country wide initiative, has united children and youth to work together and find solutions to child poverty. This innovative initiative brought together institutions from 16 states of India in 2019. **10,000 volunteers from major faith traditions will work hand in hand to bring effective & simple solutions to end child poverty in 2020.**



ELECTRONIC PIGGY BANK

Enabling school children to save a small amount on a regular basis and contribute 1/3rd of it towards ending child poverty

The electronic piggy bank has this year children as active participants. During COVID19 we also invite committed citizens and socially responsible corporate houses to be part of it.

Sale of specially designed Peace cards to enable interested individuals/ institutions to contribute to the cause of ending child poverty



GREET. IT PAYS TO DO SO.

THE TARGET: **TO RAISE ₹5,00,000**



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**Ending
Poverty**



**Enriching
Children**



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All for Children

End
Child Poverty

International Women's Day Celebration 2021

Saturday, 6th March 2021 - Shanti Ashram

101 100,000

Women from the
frontline we honoured

Lives improved
by our Women Leaders



**MARATHON
FOR
SOLIDARITY**
MAY 15TH, 2021



Every Child matters!

Coming together in solidarity to ensure
the well-being of vulnerable children

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