

Uplifting a Community



Indore, India



Education

Year 1 Budget \$24,500

Project Timeline

FULLY FUNDED

MAR 22

FEB 25

Overview

This project funds a government-accredited school, a capacity building program for men, women and youth and maternal health care and clinics for women and children, all in one slum area in Indore, India. The school provides quality affordable education, delivered in English in an accessible location to the slum children who would otherwise not be able to attend school. 60-80 families have lived in this area for about 25 years but still lack basic infrastructure and services. Mobile clinics provide vital health and hygiene education and medical care for the community. Our partner is also responding to families' desires to pull themselves out of poverty through economic empowerment. Year 2 budget \$24,500.

Impact for September 2022 - February 2023

130

English medium education for 130 slum kids



Entrust support pays for school fees, books and stationery, bags and uniforms. The children have put in their best efforts for the quarterly and half-yearly exams and they are well prepared for the final annual exam period. There has been a pleasing reduction in school dropouts.

Maternal and child health clinics each year

Three medical camps were held, providing health screening and necessary health care for the entire slum community. A dental check-up was included this time, and those requiring further treatment taken to the dental hospital.



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Capacity building and income generation



The number of women enrolled in tailoring classes and savings groups has increased to 18 (up from 16). Of those, 8 have now completed the course, enabling them to earn an income with dignity, rather than by hazardous rag-picking. By sewing clothes for their family, they also save on costs.

Medical and counselling care for community

Health awareness, counselling, women's sanitary kits, hand-washing and hygiene, free medicines all form part of the medical camps which benefit 400 community members.



- Work continues on acquiring personal documents for youth so they can obtain drivers licences as a means for more job opportunities. A computer course with basic English tuition (so they can follow along) will be made available for youth.



Reema's Story

I am from a family of six and I am 21 years old. I studied until 9th grade but then had to pull out of school because of my family's financial circumstances. This year, I had the opportunity to join the tailoring project and have picked up the skills quickly. I was one of the best students (so my teachers say!). I have now graduated from the course and I am sewing women's clothing, earning enough for my daily needs. I would far rather sew than have to pick through filthy rubbish all day. Now I can even dream of starting my own tailoring shop and be financially sustainable well into the future.



Thank you for making a difference