



News from the Homes in India

Overall, we hear that the children are safe and doing well. A few children and administrators have contracted coronavirus, but they have recovered.

Many of the children are still with relatives, waiting for the state governments to allow schools, boarding facilities and orphanages to open. The orphanage administrators are watching over the children who are with their families and giving them supplies. As of now, the children and college students are attending online classes. Some state governments may grant permission for the children to return in November.

“We are visiting children and their loved ones at their villages and providing some provisions and essentials on a regular basis.” —Pearl, Methodist Boarding Home

St. Elizabeth’s Home for Children wrote, “Last month we gave the children text books, notebooks and paid the school fees. Children are busy with their online classes. The state government is not yet decided to open the schools and boarding hostels. We have no idea when they will open the schools. We are anxiously waiting for the directives.” —Sister Catherine

A few administrators tell us the children are slowly returning to their orphanages.

The Hyderabad area of India was hard-hit by flooding. The children are safe, but this has been an added hardship for the people in the area. Uttam from Balavikasita Orphanage in Hyderabad reports that the government is inspecting orphanages in their area.

“We are yet to receive feedback from the government about their inspection report. However we have been receiving more girls and boys at our homes as many children are getting displaced and families are not in a position to take care of them—especially poverty driven families who are mostly victims of Corona and the floods. We are saying no to many of them as we do not have funds to take care of their wellbeing.”—Uttam, Balavikasita

We will keep you posted. Our hearts are with everyone enduring hardships at this time. —WC Team

Happy Home Kitchen Before and After



It’s been challenging for the homes to complete their projects because of coronavirus, but as you can see the need for this new kitchen was great. Thank you for making this project possible with your kind donations.

Pandaravedu Boys' Toilets get a Makeover

Porta-potties transformed into a beautiful toilet building with handwashing station—thanks to you.



2020 New Project Requests

Home Name	COMFORT AND SAFETY	Cost
Balavikasita Orphanage	New vehicle for delivery and transport needs of 94 children	\$26,584
Athipet Tribal Girls' Home	New compound wall to keep 194 girls safe from intruders	\$27,398
Raichur Girls' Hostel	Stone path to protect 50 girls from snakes	\$7,763
Pandaravedu Orphanage	Scooter to transport food and medicine for 97 children	\$1,524
Raichur Girls' Hostel	Buffalo for milk to keep 50 girls healthy	\$548
CONSTRUCTION		
Bethel Orphanage	Study hall for 43 boys to do their schoolwork	\$18,536
Fatima Children's Home	Study hall for 64 children to do their schoolwork	\$15,672
Little Flower Home for Children	New tile flooring for the home of 123 girls	\$7,435
EDUCATIONAL TECHNOLOGY		
Sneha Sadan	Computers and training for 80 girls	\$1,791
Raichur Girls' Hostel	Television for educational programming for 50 girls	\$1,204
Sister Seline's Home for Children	Projector for education for 36 children affected by HIV	\$823
Nithya Sahaya Matha	Television for educational programming for 108 girls	\$612
WATER & SANITATION		
Sherman Girls' Hostel	Renovating bathrooms, kitchen, and leaking roof for 31 girls	\$14,238
Happy Home for Children	Safe and private bathing rooms for 165 girls	\$11,082
Nirmala Home for Children	Shed for safely cleaning and drying clothes for 300 girls	\$5,220
Sherman Girls' Hostel	New water tank to provide drinking water to 31 girls	\$4,518



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2020 Annual Campaign Update

November 2020

Whatever the Need



Last month we announced our special fall campaign — ***Whatever the Need.***

We have received additional compelling requests. Several are featured and all are listed on a chart including costs.

Several years ago, we purchased a vehicle for Balavikasita Orphanage. The car broke down when Andy and David were in India last year (top right photo). Now it is useless. Uttam, the orphanage administrator, has to use an auto rickshaw to transport food or take children to doctors, etc. You can see the rickshaw is filled to the brim with necessities.

The girls are helping Uttam unload the weekly supplies to carry upstairs to the kitchen. Balavikasita desperately needs a new vehicle to get supplies and transport children.



See the 2020 New Project Requests chart for a summary of all the unfilled needs from the homes. Let's come together to help again this year!

Athipet Home needs a new wall



The girls at Athipet Home are standing by their broken compound wall.

“We are sad to share with you that we are unable to create a safe atmosphere for our 194 girls. Our girls are very much disturbed. There are wine shops beside our orphanage and drunkards can get inside our compound. They rob clothes from our children and have also robbed our lights, hardware and cooking vessels. Poisonous snakes can get inside easily and the children are afraid. We will be waiting in hope for your positive reply. Thank you so much for your great support.” —Sister Elizabeth Rani

Happy Home for Children needs safe and private bathing rooms

At Happy Home, “Girls both young and teenagers share a common bathroom with one shower and two toilets which create long lines. Our girls used to take bath in open space inside our campus, but this is dangerous and the government officers have strictly commanded us to provide proper separate sanitation facilities for the older girls. We humbly request that you help us out with this problem.”

—Sister Eugin Leema



Additional requests

“The **water storage tank** is very old and leaking badly. It is completely cracked on all sides as well as at the bottom. Within no time it will be empty.” —Sujalatha John, Sherman Girls’ Hostel

Clothes drying shed: “Around 300 young girls are staying in our home. They have only two sets of uniforms as well as a few dresses. They use them alternately. When the dress does not get dried, they wear wet clothes. The clothes stink and they get skin infections.” —Sister Lumina, Nirmala Matha

Fatima Home and Bethel Orphanage need **study halls**. “For study hours, the children sit in the open air and we are unable to control them. There is no proper place to keep the books and to sit and study for hours.” —Sister Mary Hilda, Bethel Orphanage

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