

## **ANNUAL REPORT**

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# FOUNDER'S NOTE



**Biju Thampy**Founder - Vision Rescue

#### **Forward**

Nineteen years ago, in 2004, when my wife Secu and I first gave out those street-side snacks to six children on the railway platform, I never dreamed that today, Vision Rescue would impact thousands of vulnerable children across Mumbai, Chennai and Kolkata every day. The road to today has been paved with many struggles but our one constant has been the prayers, love and financial support of people like you around the globe who are sold out for Vision Rescue's mission: freeing children from all forms of exploitation by engaging and sustaining them in education.

The story of our impact today is every bit your story, because without you, we wouldn't be. So right at the outset, I want to deeply appreciate you for trusting us, coming on this journey with us, and supporting us through your generous giving.

The years April 2020 - March 2022 were Vision Rescue's most testing years to date, because of the pandemic. We had to pivot our entire operational model to meet the desperate hunger and healthcare crisis that hit India during the lockdowns. We had to reinvent our in-person educational model of 16 years and now provide online education to hundreds of impoverished children stuck on the wrong side of the digital divide. Despite these hurdles, we were successfully able to give out over 2.5 million meals worth of groceries and over 6 lakh personal protective items to communities in need.

After two years of navigating the pandemic's many storms, we came to the start of this financial year hopeful and excited to return to operations in person. The year began with an offline summer camp for children in our Beacon Learning Centres in April 2022. It was sheer joy to watch children, whom we'd only seen on screens for two years, run back into our classrooms! From there on, we grew from strength to strength, enrolling 2103 children into our Education programs across three cities.

While our teaching teams invested into these precious children's lives, here in Mumbai, our Case Officers got to work with each child's family and slum community, building rapport with them, assessing their needs through the Child Status Index, and creating goals for their progress through the Family Case Plan (FCP).

The FCP offers services like Skill Development & Livelihood training, medical and dental care, counselling, awareness programs etc. All these support services ultimately strengthen each family's capacity to sustain their children in education. Through this detailed Case Management model, we are able to go deep into the lives of 1515 families in four slum communities in Mumbai - Kalwa, Mandala, Shivaji Nagar & Maharashtra Nagar - understand their struggles and gradually cut the ties that bind them to poverty.

Parallelly our volunteer army The Movement India spread their reach wide, across the nation, through large-scale advocacy campaigns to raise awareness about human trafficking. Over 7000 participants joined the Walk for Freedom events conducted across 20 cities in India, accompanied by 83 press mentions reaching over 9 Million people.

While we celebrate each of these achievements, we are also acutely aware of the needs that continue to grow around us. In the Mumbai slum communities that Vision Rescue works in today, we see every second child below six years is malnourished. When little girls and boys need to answer Nature's call, they must use a public toilet that over 300 others share, or use an open gutter nearby, simply because sanitary facilities in their makeshift homes are non-existent.

Many of the houses they live in are mere tinsheet walls with a tarpaulin roof for cover. In the summers, it burns; in the monsoons it floods. Surrounded by heaps of garbage, and bordered by sewage canals, dignity is the rarest commodity here. The nightmares of human trafficking, child labour, child marriage, physical and sexual abuse are realities that the children and families here must brave continually. It is for their freedom that we strive daily.

Here's inviting you to join us on this incredible journey this year too as we keep Reaching Out With Love - until every child is free from exploitation, free to find their purpose, enjoy their rights and live with dignity.

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## OUR VISION

Empowering people to find their purpose, enjoy their rights, and live with dignity.

## OUR MISSION

To free children from all forms of exploitation by engaging and sustaining them in education. This empowers them to change mindsets and make good life choices that promote intergenerational transformation.



## **OUR WORK**

To free children from all forms of exploitation by engaging them in education, Vision Rescue runs a variety of **Education Programs** that offer both non-formal and formal learning for children from impoverished slum communities in Mumbai, Kolkata & Chennai. These include the Beacon Learning Centres Primary & Pre-Primary, Open Basic Education, Vision Rescue Bus & Tuition Centres. To directly sustain children in education, we also provide them with Nutrition, Healthcare (Medical & Dental) services and Sports education. In addition to the above four, through our School Support Program we also seek to empower and strengthen the municipal schools near our slum communities so that underprivileged children studying there from these slums can sustain in their education.

To sustain children in education, Vision Rescue works closely with our children's families through a *Case Management* model that first assesses all the risk factors present in the family such as lack of steady income, domestic violence, alcohol/drug abuse, lack of employable skills, low access to Government poverty alleviation resources, absence of identification documents etc, in order to present solutions as per need. Solutions include availing of our Skill Development and Livelihood Training courses, Healthcare (medical & dental) services, and Awareness sessions conducted for the families of our children.

This ensures that the shackles of poverty that bind our children's families - such as low awareness, financial burdens and healthcare concerns - are removed so that childrens are free in their pursuit of education.

We also work to transform our children's slum communities at large by conducting community development initiatives through our stationary hubs called *Community Centres* inside slums.

The biggest of these is the *Community Champions Development Program* whereby we identify, engage and train volunteer parents to become changemakers in their neighbourhood as Community Champions. As parents themselves, these 'Community Champions' are experiencing firsthand the transformative power of education for their children. They now advocate for education, healthcare,

nutrition and community development among their own communities.

Finally, through *The Movement India*, we seek to match the skill abundance at colleges and corporates in India's megacities with the need abundance with India's urban-poor slum communities.

The Movement India mobilises *Volunteer* talent to serve in the areas of human trafficking, mental health and education for low income communities. TMI also runs large-scale *Advocacy* campaigns to awaken public consciousness to the needs in vulnerable communities, as well as invests in the growth of communities through *Talent Development sessions*.

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## **OUR IMPACT IN 2022-23**



#### **EDUCATION & NUTRITION**



2103
STUDENTS
ENROLLED

152,922

MEALS PROVIDED A total of **2103 students were enrolled** in Vision Rescue's educational programs across Mumbai (1502), Chennai (434), and Kolkata (167).

**152,922 meals** were provided to the children in Vision Rescue's care at the Beacon Learning Centres in Mumbai and on the Bus in Kolkata.

Our School Support Program impacted **7871 indirect beneficiaries and 1047 students directly** from 15 BMC & TMC municipal schools.

#### **HEALTHCARE**



5318
CHILDREN
UNDERWENT HEALTH
ASSESSMENT AND
MEDICAL SCREENING

individuals received dental check-ups at various locations - School Support Program municipal schools (2,842), Matunga Shelter home (184), V.R Sports Club (88), and Murbad village (226).

**5318 children** underwent health assessment and medical screening

(including BLC and SSP students).

1406 BLC children and 3,340 other



14,055
ATTENDEES
BENEFIT DENTAL
AWARENESS
PROGRAMS

19 general medical camps and 29 awareness programs were conducted, serving a total of 1795 beneficiaries and 10,561 adults respectively.

**14,055** attendees benefit from dental awareness programs.

#### **SPORTS**



100 STUDENTS RECIEVED SPORTS TRAINING **100 students,** 57 boys and 32 girls receive **semi-professional football** training through Vision Rescue, while the remaining **11** students are involved in cricket.

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#### **CASE MANAGEMENT**



1515 families have been cared for under our Case Management system: 1422 of these are at High or Medium Risk, and 93 at Low Risk according to the Child Status Index evaluation.

Vision Rescue facilitates Seven Self-Help Groups (SHGs) across four slum communities with a combined membership of 21 dedicated women.

#### **SKILL DEVELOPMENT & LIVELIHOOD TRAINING**



146
WOMEN GRADUATED

**146 women graduated** in tailoring, mehendi, fashion jewellery, paper bag and beauty & hairstyle courses this year.

23,655 products were sold, including bags, paper bags, notebooks, bracelets, toiletry pouches, Vision Rescue uniforms, Upstitch Annual Day costume orders, kurtas, thank you cards, earrings and tea coasters.

#### **COMMUNITY CHAMPIONS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM**



211

ACTIVE COMMUNITY
CHAMPIONS & CO
CHAMPIONS

211 active Community Champions & Co-Champions fervently advocate for education, healthcare, nutrition, and overall community progress, within their neighbourhood.

**54** of Vision Rescue's **Community Champions** conducted **477 Focus Group Meetings** raising awareness about important social issues to an audience of over **7200 beneficiaries** in four slum communities.

#### THE MOVEMENT INDIA



7000+

JOINED THE WALK
FOR FREEDOM

Over **7000 participants** joined the Walk for Freedom events to raise awareness about human trafficking, conducted across **20 cities** in India, accompanied by 83 press mentions reaching over 9 Million people.



## I: OUR WORK WITH CHILDREN



#### **EDUCATION & NUTRITION**

#### Our work

Education, a fundamental human right, is a powerful tool with the potential to transform lives and uplift communities, as stated in Article 26 of the 1948 Universal Declaration of Human Rights. In India, the child and adolescent population are among the largest in the world, comprising over 444 million children (2022). However, the harsh reality remains that 175 million children are still deprived of this opportunity, according to UNICEF's global report on early childhood education (2019).

In the slum communities that Vision Rescue operates in, families face an uphill battle for survival amidst challenging conditions. Overcrowded and makeshift dwellings lack access to basic amenities like clean water, proper sanitation, and adequate healthcare

facilities, adding to the burden of poverty and uncertainty. We believe that education is a powerful tool that can create lasting positive change, and break children out of the cycle of intergenerational poverty.

UNICEF emphasises the critical importance of early education, with children learning to read until the age of six and then reading to learn from the age of seven onward.

Vision Rescue recognises the significance of the first five years of a child's life, during which they absorb knowledge at an unprecedented pace, setting the foundation for their future. Vision Rescue continues to plant seeds of knowledge, hope, and resilience in the lives of children in five ways:

#### BEACON LEARNING CENTRE (BLC) - PRIMARY & PRE-PRIMARY

BLC is a beacon of hope for young children aged three to eight living in challenging slum communities. Our focus on Early Childhood Education bridges the educational gap in underserved areas lacking access to quality learning opportunities.

1. BLC Pre-primary classes nurture children aged three to five, building a strong foundation through play-based learning, language development, and social interaction.

2. In BLC Primary classes, for ages six to eight, we foster academic preparedness with a structured curriculum, nurturing creativity and curiosity.

Subjects covered include Environment Sciences, Maths, Science, English, and Hindi, and through these we prepare children for a smooth transition to formal schooling. Every child in our BLC takes home a hearty lunch, hygienically prepared and nutritionally balanced to ensure that children receive a daily, rich nutritious meal.



#### BEACON LEARNING CENTRE (BLC) - OPEN BASIC EDUCATION (OBE)

Vision Rescue addresses the educational gap for older children through the Open Basic Education (OBE) program. Targeting 8 to 14-year-olds, our OBE coaching enables children to catch up on the years of missed schooling. Upon successfully clearing the OBE exam, students gain admission into the formal schooling system, opening doors to brighter educational prospects. We conduct follow-ups with enrolled children in municipal schools, to provide ongoing support, ensuring a smoother transition to formal schooling.

#### VISION RESCUE BUS PROGRAM -KOLKATA

In Kolkata, the Vision Rescue Bus Program delivers nonformal education to those underserved communities where setting up learning centres isn't possible. The mobile classrooms with flexible learning spaces and play-based learning methods engage vulnerable children, bridging the educational gap and empowering them for a brighter future. As the brightcoloured yellow bus arrives, excitement and eagerness fill the air, symbolising a glimmer of hope for disadvantaged children. After classes on the Bus, children receive a heart meal here too perhaps their only one for the day.

#### VISION RESCUE TUITION CENTRES - CHENNAI

In Chennai, Vision Rescue's Tuition

Centres offer a haven for children seeking additional educational support.

The program offers supplementary educational support for children aged 6 to 14 years, presently engaged in formal public or private schools, providing them with the additional academic intervention they may require. Empowered youth from the same slum communities serve as mentors and tutors, nurturing young minds with inspiration and guidance.

## SCHOOL SUPPORT PROGRAM (SSP)

Vision Rescue's School Support
Program (SSP) targets students
between the ages of 10 and 14 who
are at risk of dropping out of formal
school. We recognise the importance
of incentivising education for children
in municipal schools near target
slums, and to this end we have
implemented a sports coaching and
resource-building program to address
the challenge of drop outs, offering
activities like Combat Sports (Selfdefence), Football, Kabaddi, and Life
Skills.



[1] Statista, Sanyukta Kanwal, December 14, 2022, "Children in India - statistics & facts" [2] UNICEF, April 9, 2019, "175 million children are not enrolled in pre-primary education"



A total of
2103 students
were enrolled in
Vision Rescue's
educational programs

across Mumbai (1502),

Chennai (434), and

Kolkata (167).

In Mumbai,

1318 students were actively involved, with 99 students participating in the OBE initiative, while the rest were enrolled in the Beacon Learning Centres.

434
students were enrolled in Vision Rescue's
Tuition Centres in Chennai.

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167
students were enrolled in the Vision Rescue
Bus Program in

Kolkata.

152,922
meals were provided to the children in Vision Rescue's care at the Beacon Learning Centres in Mumbai and on the Bus in Kolkata.

**680** students successfully transitioned from BLC to formal schools from our Mumbai slum communities.

78
children were enrolled into formal schools directly from the communities Vision Rescue works in in Mumbai.



Out of 893 children who signed up for the summer camp, over

730
attended regularly 633 from Pre-primary
classes and 260 from
Primary classes.

volunteers from The Movement India supported the summer camps with fun games and activities for the children.

Science Day was celebrated at all BLC locations, with

1892 participants (both students and parents), engaging in exciting experiments and boosting students' confidence.

Education Day was celebrated to raise awareness among parents, strengthen bonds with BLC teachers and improve student attendance, with a total

of **1614** parents and children.









**CASE STORY** 

## **Change - Slowly but Surely**

## In our four-year journey with Imtiyaz and his three siblings, we've witnessed the family grow from strength to strength

Imtiyaz\*'s father had a history of violent physical abuse towards him and his five siblings. Their bodies bear the scars of many beatings. The environment of constant fear at home, led to the children underperforming in education.

When Imtiyaz first joined our Beacon Learning

Centre (BLC) in his slum, he used to raise his hand against the other children in class. His attendance with us was sketchy, and when he did attend, his attention and concentration was low. In just a few days of class, our teachers and Imtiyaz's Case Officer understood that the root cause of his difficult behaviour was his unsafe

home environment. For Imtiyaz to succeed in education, we first had to intervene in his home.

Imtiyaz's family has been living in a rented house near Mumbai's largest garbage dump ever since they migrated to the megapolis. They came to Mumbai 25 years ago from their village for better employment opportunities. Their makeshift home had a precarious broken wall that could collapse on the family any moment.

Imtiyaz's father Hanif\* used to sell fish for a living, but due to an accident many years ago he is unable to walk pain free. He takes up daily wage jobs near their home, to support his family.

Imtiyaz's eldest brother Abu\* (17 years) dropped out of school due to the family's poor economic situation and now does daily wage jobs to support the family. His sister Rehma\* (10 years) and Tara\* (9 years) study in Class II at BLC and his younger brother Haneef\* is in our Junior K.G.

With four children in our care, our Case Officer visited the family frequently for months together, to help improve their living conditions, and set them on the path to development.

Over the last four years of journeying with this family, we witnessed Imtiyaz's father's unhealthy behaviour toward the children change. Soon enough we saw Imtiyaz's



behaviour toward his classmates change.

He stopped raising his hand against them, his attendance in school increased and so did his attention and concentration in class. Their living conditions have also improved and as suggested by our Case Officer, the family moved into a safer house within the community. This decision was taken by the father.

Imtiyaz and his three siblings also receive a nutritious tiffin every weekday from Vision Rescue. They take home the extra-filled tiffins so that the other siblings who are not in our classes can also benefit.

The family has also received medical aid from Vision Rescue: Imtiyaz 's father was treated by our medical team when he got sick and his mother was also helped with registration in a Government Hospital after her 5th month of pregnancy.

Regular visits, counselling, gentle but firm conversations about their social issues, breaking down various problems they faced, giving relevant suggestions and hands-on assistance as and when needed was Vision Rescue's way of Reaching out with Love to this family.

Imtiyaz says that he wants to be a police officer when he grows up. Vision Rescue exists to make it possible for children like Imtiyaz to dream of a life far beyond the constraints of the one they are living now.



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#### **SCHOOL SUPPORT PROGRAM**

#### Our work

Vision Rescue's School Support Program (SSP) targets students between the ages of 10 and 14 who are at risk of dropping out of formal school.

SSP is a comprehensive initiative with three main focuses:

- 1. Creating awareness about formal education
- 2. Engaging students through sports coaching
- 3. Providing support in kind for educational resources

The program began in 2018 with 233 selected children in a partner municipal school who required immediate, targeted intervention due to low attendance and high dropout risk. By 2023, Vision Rescue had established connections with 15 municipal schools surrounding underprivileged slum communities in Mumbai and Thane.

Cheeta Camp BMC School (2 English)	BMC School No. 3 (Marathi)
Cheeta Camp BMC School (Hindi)	BMC School No. 3 (Urdu)
Cheeta Camp BMC School (Marathi)	BMC School No. 4
Cheeta Camp BMC School No.2 (Urdu)	BMC School No. 6
Cheeta Camp BMC School No.3 (Urdu)	BMC School No. 9
Cheeta Camp BMC School No. 4 (Urdu)	TMC School No. 27
Cheeta Camp BMC School (Tamil)	TMC School No. 92

Vision Rescue's SSP department organises a range of educational programs targeting children, parents, and teachers.

#### **SERVICES FOR CHILDREN:**

**Sports Coaching:** Students receive coaching in various sports, such as self-defence, football, kabaddi, and netball (at specific locations). The coaching program has three levels: Level 1, Level 2, and Level 3.

**Life Skills:** Along with sports coaching, students participate in life-skill programs to instil essential life skills and values.

**Additional Engaging Activities:** Students engage in various additional activities such as art, craft, computer training, English communication, and kitchen gardening.

**Healthcare & Dental Camps:** Vision Rescue conducts healthcare awareness sessions, screenings, dental camps and check-ups. Additionally, awareness sessions are organised on dental hygiene and oral health.

**Resource-Building Activities:** The program undertakes resource-building activities such as setting up classroom libraries and repairing school infrastructure to enhance the learning environment.

#### **SERVICES FOR PARENTS:**

**Parent-Teacher Meetings (PTMs)** are conducted to enlighten parents about the importance of education and provide updates on their children's progress.

**Awareness Sessions:** Vision Rescue conducts awareness sessions among parents about the significance of formal education for their children's future.

#### **SERVICES FOR TEACHERS:**

**Teacher's Guidance Programmes** help educators understand students' challenges, improve school engagement, and identify areas where support is needed. Collaborating with teachers enhances the learning environment and ensures the program's success.

Throughout the academic year, our School Support Program team follows-up with students, parents, and teachers to ensure consistent attendance and active participation. At the end of the program, a graduation ceremony is organised to recognise and celebrate the students' achievements. Certificates are awarded to every student who graduates the program.

The School Support Program (SSP) has created a conducive learning environment, boosted student attendance and reduced dropout rates in government schools through this three-pronged approach.



#### 2022-23 SCHOOL SUPPORT PROGRAM **ACHIEVEMENTS**

In 2023, Vision Rescue's School Support Program impacted

**7871** indirect beneficiaries and

**1047** students directly.

The sports coaching program had 851 students at Level 1 and 196 students at Level 2.

- Level 1 Football (245), Self-defence (426) and Kabaddi (180)
- Level 2 Football (53), Self-defence (103) and Kabaddi (40)

296

students received advanced training in self-defence, football, and kabaddi.

40-50 students participated in various football competitions &

participated in the annual kabaddi competition.

For the first time this year, Vision Rescue's medical team organised a free medical screening camp for all BMC students reaching a total

4144 students as well as a dental check-up camp covering

2842 individuals.

4000 students from 7 different BMC schools benefited from gender and equality awareness sessions organised as part of the Sports-For-Development concept, in collaboration with Just Play organisation.

Three awareness programmes were conducted, reaching a total of

- awareness on tuberculosis (714), measles (359) and sexual and reproductive health & hygiene (49).



#### **HEALTHCARE**



#### Our work

Over 33 lakh children in India suffer from malnutrition, with more than half classified as severely malnourished. The most affected states are Maharashtra, Bihar, and Gujarat. Around 1.7 million children are severely acute malnourished (SAM) and 1.5 million are moderately acute malnourished (MAM) in the country (Women and Child Development Ministry, 2021).[1]

Vision Rescue provides four key healthcare services impacting children in our care. Our initiatives aim to remove the barrier of access to quality healthcare and empower underprivileged children to pursue education and realise their dreams.

#### 1. HEALTH ASSESSMENT

Vision Rescue conducts health assessments twice a year for our Beacon Learning Center (BLC) students, which helps identify students who may be underweight or malnourished (SAM/MAM).

Children identified as SAM are admitted to Nutritional Rehabilitation, Research and Training Centre (NRRTC) Sion for treatment where they provide diet counselling and medicines as advised by the paediatrician. Students above 6 years who don't fall under SAM/MAM categories but are underweight are referred for treatment by the medical team.

## 2. PAEDIATRIC SCREENING

Once a year, paediatric screening is conducted for every student to facilitate early detection and prevention of diseases. Our medical team arranges for paediatricians to conduct health screening camps within our target slum communities. Clinical findings and medical advice are recorded on health cards. Students needing further treatment are referred by our medical team to network hospitals.



#### 3. IMMUNISATION

Immunisation camps target children up to five years old. Our medical team records each students' vaccination details on Health Cards, and in partnership with the local Public Health Centre (PHC) children who have missed out on key vaccinations are provided the same.



#### 4. DENTAL CARE

About 8 out of 10 children in India experience oral health problems and 60% of parents are unaware of their child's dental problems, according to a national study conducted by KANTAR IMRB for Colgate-Palmolive in India (2019). [2] At Vision Rescue, we understand that dental health is an integral part of overall well-being, and we are committed to empowering communities with the knowledge and resources needed for better oral hygiene. Vision Rescue's dental program conducts annual dental camps for our BLC children, oral screenings twice a year, periodic fluoridation programs, and follow-up services to serve children in need of additional treatment. Collaborations with dental colleges and NGOs enhance our services and reach.

[1] Business Today, November 07, 2021, "More than 33 lakh children in India malnourished, 17.7 lakh of them severely malnourished: Govt data"

[2] India Today, September 27, 2019, "Study finds eight in ten children in India suffer from oral health problems"



## 2022-23 HEALTHCARE FOR CHILDREN ACHIEVEMENTS

5318

children underwent health assessment and medical screening (including BLC and SSP students). 6'

children were identified as Severely Malnourished (SAM) and

**78** as Moderately Malnourished (MAM).

1,406

BLC children received dental screenings during the first screening, and 1,153 during the second screening.

**55** 

children benefited from the fluoridation program.

3,340

individuals received dental checkups at various locations - School Support Program municipal schools (2,842), Matunga Shelter home (184), V.R Sports Club (88), and Murbad village (226). On

## World Oral Health Day,

we collaborated with Nair Dental College & Hospital for a successful awareness and check-up event in Maharashtra Nagar.

# Climb every mountain to succeed in education

#### Journeying with a child in the road to de addiction from Mishri

Rafiq's six-member family lives in one of the poorest slums in the north of Mumbai. His parents never completed their schooling, and hence they didn't prioritise Rafiq's education either. He nearly missed out on his foundational years of early childhood education, but in 2019 one of our Case Officers spotted him playing on the community's gullies, and enrolled him into our Beacon Learning Centre classes just in time.

Things were going well for Rafiq and his family until the pandemic hit India in 2020 and a series of nationwide lockdowns hit their family. Rafiq's father - the sole breadwinner of the family - couldn't go out to earn his daily wages anymore. The family of six was staring hunger in the face, until Vision Rescue's donor came together to provide them with groceries every month of the pandemic until 2022. It was

Vision Rescue's Community Champions who delivered grocery kits to Rafiq's family every month at their doorstep.

In the meantime, our Beacon Learning Centre classes shifted online, but Rafiq was left behind by the digital divide. He didn't have access to a smartphone at home to attend our lessons. But we were able to raise an army of Education Representatives - young, educated women within the slum communities - who would go door-to-door to the homes of children like Rafiq and teach them on their own smartphones. Rafiq didn't drop out of education during the pandemic, like many of his peers in his slum, thanks to our Education Representatives.

However, when our classrooms reopened after the lockdown, our teachers noticed that something was off about Rafiq. He was addicted to 'Mishri' (A smokeless tobacco) - a habit he had picked up from his mother. With multiple awareness sessions and counselling conversations, our community workers educated Rafiq and his mother about the bad effects of tobacco, and finally Rafiq was weaned off the addiction.

At the close of the academic

year 2021-22, Rafiq graduated from our Beacon Learning Centre and in this academic year 2022-23 we have successfully enrolled him in a formal school.

We continue to follow-up with him and his family, and monitor his progress at school to ensure that he is sustained in education. Today, Rafiq dreams of becoming a Policeofficer when he grows up.







#### **SPORTS CLUB**



#### Our work

Vision Rescue Sports Club nurtures young talents in sports, providing holistic development opportunities to foster self-reliance and self-respect in society. We welcome students from the Vision Rescue community and the School Support Program (SSP) department to participate in our programs.

The Club focuses on two games: Football and Cricket. We have a junior boys' and girls' football team, as well as a senior boys' football team and a senior boys' cricket team. These are the primary sports in which the Club provides training and opportunities for the enrolled children. Upon enrollment, the Sports Club offers students a five-year membership program.

The Club aims to develop its members through daily practice, life skills and career guidance, and. Skilled students receive opportunities to participate in semi-pro & pro matches, tournaments, and leagues.

Exceptionally talented students can advance to **higher-level clubs** like Mumbai District

Football Association (MDFA), All India Football Federation (AIFF) or Western India Football Association (WIFA).

Daily practice sessions are scheduled based on school timings, and 70% attendance is mandatory for promotion to the following year. The practice sessions are a positive outlet for children's energy, protecting them from falling into the traps of social evils prevalent in their slum communities.

The children's natural sporting abilities, combined with our consistent training, have proudly enabled many of them to represent their enrolled schools in inter-school tournaments. Consequently, their schools also take pride in their achievements.

In addition to sports activities, the program emphasises **non-sports activities** like:

- Personality development plan
- Career guidance plan
- Spoken English courses
- · Mental health awareness
- Health-related sessions

Education is prioritised, and dropouts due to sports involvement are actively discouraged.



### 100

students, 57 boys and 32 girls receive semiprofessional football training through Vision Rescue, while the remaining 11 students are involved in cricket. The team competed

in **10** Mumbai District Football Association league matches throughout the year and emerged victorious 4 times. The under-15 boys' football team was the **runner-up** in the Pneuma Monsoon

Cup tournament.

The **Senior** 

boys' football

team qualified for the play-off round in the Mumbai Football Association (MFA) Second Division league. The cricket team played against Deutsche Bank, winning by

6 wickets.

**24** boys and girls benefitted from life skills and personal development sessions.



# Passion, Hard Work & Determination

From football in the gullies to midfielder in 2nd division, Mumbai Football Association (MFA), Prashant has come a long way





Meet Prashant - our passionate VisionRescue footballer! As a little boy, Prashant has always been crazy about football.

His love for football didn't stop him from playing barefoot with his friends on the streets of their slum community. But Prashant never got the exposure he was looking for to showcase his talent.

One day, Prashant heard about Vision Rescue's Sports Program from his friends.

With his love and passion for football, Prashnat was enrolled in our Sports Program. "I started playing for Vision Rescue and saw positive changes in my game, my daily routine, discipline and even life values," says Prashant.

Prashant participated in many tournaments with Vision Rescue and went on to win many accolades for us. He also started playing for 3rd division football matches and soon qualified to play for the 2nd division.

Prashant now plays as a centre midfielder in the 2nd division, Mumbai Football Association (MFA) for Vision Rescue and he recently scored two important goals in two matches.

We are so proud of what Prashant has achieved in all these years, through his hard work and determination.

Thank you for empowering and supporting Prashant in reaching his goal.



## II: OUR WORK WITH **FAMILIES**

#### **CASE MANAGEMENT**

#### Our work

Vision Rescue's core mission is to free children from exploitation by engaging and sustaining them in education. Although our educational programs effectively engage children, we've recognised that children can only successfully sustain in education if we address their familial and community burden of poverty, such as malnutrition, poor health, financial instability, addiction and abuse.

To unshackle children from the cyclical bonds of poverty, we introduced our Case Management System, which provides an array of supportive services to the child's family and the broader community, all with the singular objective of sustaining the child's education.

Each child in our care is assigned a **dedicated** Case Officer (CO) who assesses their needs and family and connects them with our support services departments. These departments include the medical team, dental team, skill development & livelihood team, counselling team and more.

Routine home visits are a fundamental component of the Case Management process. Armed with empathy and insight, the Case Officers (CO) routinely visit our children's families, nurturing trust and partnership as families openly share their struggles, stories, dreams, and aspirations.

At these initial visits the child's **CSI Index** (Child Status Index) is determined through detailed conversations with the family assessing the risk factors in their lives such as low access to nutritious food, presence of substance abuse, domestic violence etc. Based on this assessment the family is categorised as Low Risk, Medium Risk or High Risk. Together, the CO and family then work in synergy to create a Family Case **Plan** that sets goals for the family to work towards lowering their Risk level over time i.e., improved health, enhanced living conditions, counselling etc.

A cornerstone of our approach is to conduct awareness sessions specifically designed for the families of our students. By increasing awareness in various important topics, we equip parents with valuable knowledge to help them make informed decisions. These sessions promote a deeper understanding of critical issues and empower families to overcome challenges that might have hindered their child's education.

Our Case Management model serves as a beacon of hope for the students and their families. The Case Officers and families work together to create resilience, determination and hope for the child. As each family's story evolves, so does the story of the neighbourhood - a story of transformation, growth, and boundless potential within every individual and community.

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1515 families have been cared for under our Case Management system: 1422 of these were at High or Medium Risk, and 93 at Low Risk according to the Child Status Index evaluation.

In the course of the last year, 200 of the High Risk families progressed to Medium or Low Risk, and 66 of the Medium Risk families progressed to Low Risk.

Vision Rescue facilitates seven Self-Help Groups (SHGs) across four slum communities with a combined membership of 21 dedicated women.

In Shivaji Nagar slum community, 28 families received Rs 12,000 each for small businesses such as vegetable shops or fruit stalls by networking with Child Fund India.

In Kalwa slum community,

- 93 individuals were successfully connected to the Pradhan Mantri Phariwala Yojana, resulting in each family receiving a loan of Rs. 10,000 to start small business such as vegetable stalls, fruit juice carts etc
- Two students are also availing benefits under the **Right to Education Act (2023-24)**
- 240 sanitary napkins were distributed by two women from a Self-Help Group.

By networking with partner NGOs in the Mandala slum community, the following interventions were made possible

- 41 children joined tuition classes conducted by Maa Sitabun Welfare Society.
- 100 notebooks given to students by Children Adhar Foundation.
- 40 parenting skills enrichment sessions with Pukar NGO.
- Session with Apanalya NGO for disabled individuals.

By networking with partner NGOs and other organisations in Maharashtra Nagar slum community, the following achievements were made possible

- SHG women members were taken on an exposure visit to Women Trust India (WTI) and Lizzat Papad Unit to learn more about running businesses.
- Mangalmurti Godhadi Udyog provided stitching training to SHG members.
- Measles vaccinations were provided for 68 BLC students through ASHA workers.
- Mumbai Eye Care conducted an eye camp benefiting 103 people.

#### **CASE STORY**

# Empowering the child by empowering the family

From healthcare assistance to enrollment in poverty alleviation Government schemes, Vision Rescue has provided multiple support services to this family to sustain their children in education.

It's been six years since Savita and Ayush's\* parents moved to Mumbai. Their father Sanjay\* rented a house in the North of Mumbai, but living in one of the largest slum communities in the city, where exploitation is often common, he was afraid to send his little children out on the streets, even to school. It was then that our Community Case Officers met him and introduced free education at Vision Rescue's Beacon Learning Centre. Sanjay was hesitant at first, but when he learned that our BLC was right in his slum community and that his child would be safe with us, he agreed to enrol Ayush!

Ayush completed his Junior Kindergarten with us and our Community Case Officer helped his parents enrol him in a formal school nearby. This paved the way for Savita's education. Her father was no longer afraid to send his younger daughter to school because he knew she would be safe with Vision Rescue, just like his son was.

In 2019, Sanjay enrolled little Savita in our BLC. Savita enjoys her studies with us and she is now in our Senior Kindergarten. And her parents are glad to see their children learn and grow with Vision Rescue.

When the nationwide

lockdown was announced in 2020, Savita's father couldn't go to work anymore. With unemployment came the fear of hunger. We were able to help this family with groceries each month of the pandemic, from April 2020 well into 2022. Savita's education was not affected even during the lockdown because we helped her continue studies with us online right from her home!

At Vision Rescue, we believe that to sustain children in education, it is necessary to remove the external physical and mental barriers present in their families and communities that prevent them from learning. To overcome the





barrier of unemployment, we encouraged Savita's father to participate in a month's Skill Development Course with our partner NGO Pratham.

During the pandemic, Savita's mother fell sick. They couldn't identify the cause nor did they have any idea about her diagnosis. That's when our Case Officer and medical team stepped in to their rescue. Savita's mother was diagnosed with anaemia. With proper care and guidance, she was soon on her road to recovery.

Our Case officer also helped Savita's father Sanjay to avail of government schemes for low-income families, such as 'Pradhan Mantri Suraksha Bima Yojana', which is a government-backed accident insurance scheme that covers accidental death, permanent disability, and partial disability. We also helped Savita's parents avail of the 'Sukanya Samriddhi Yojna' scheme. This scheme was launched under the Beti Bachao Beti Padhao campaign with the main aim of securing the future of a girl child. It enables the legal guardians of the girl child to open a savings bank account for her education and marriage.

Savita's mother also joined our vocational training course and they took part in our awareness camps, parents' meetings and Focus Groups Meetings too.

All these support services have helped Savita sustain in education and have empowered her family over the years. From being parents who were wary of sending their children out to school, to today having two children educated through Vision Rescue, as well as learning and growing themselves, what a journey Savita's parents have come on!

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#### **SKILL DEVELOPMENT & LIVELIHOOD TRAINING**

#### Our work

Vision Rescue has designed the Skill Development and Livelihood Training program to empower mothers of our Beacon Learning Center (BLC) children and their older adolescent sisters. The program strategically aims to empower women, enabling them to attain financial independence and ensuring the sustainable education of their children in the years ahead.

Initially, we offered tailoring and mehendi courses for nearly five years. In 2021-22 we extended to seven courses. Currently, our Skill Development and Livelihood Training team has further expanded to **nine courses** as of 2023:



Upon course completion, Vision Rescue connects women to local employment opportunities or empowers them for entrepreneurship from the comfort of their homes. Many participants opt to establish or join **Self-Help Groups (SHGs)**, which then take on business orders, directly contributing to improved financial stability for these women.

Besides our Skill Development and Livelihood Training courses, in 2018, Vision Rescue introduced a **Culinary Training Institute (VRCTI)** in collaboration with Open Gate International, USA. In the culinary domain, two courses are offered, equipping candidates aged 18-23.



#### **Bakery Course**

This course is designed for individuals who want to learn bakery skills. It has a duration of 3.5 months, followed by a three-month internship.

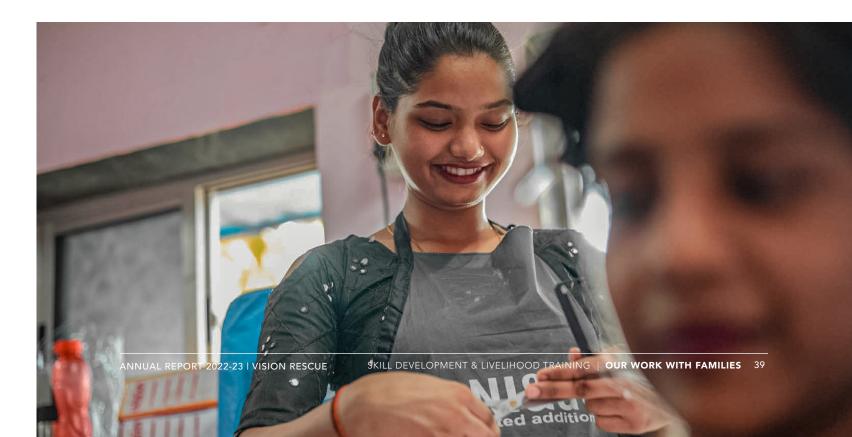


#### **Culinary Course**

This course is for 2 months with a three-six month internship. Students gain hands-on experience, industry exposure, and practical skills related to the culinary field.

VRCTI takes in students from Vision Rescue's slum communities as well as collaborates with other NGOs for candidate sourcing.VRCTI also partners with hotels and cloud kitchens for real-world exposure. Our graduates get paid internships with esteemed hospitality establishments like Love & Cheesecake, Theobroma and Good Flipping Burgers.

Vision Rescue's efforts have shown how empowering women and youth with essential vocational skills can create meaningful change. This not only improves their children's future but also helps them avoid being trapped in serious challenges like human trafficking. Our goal is to see empowered individuals using their skills to lead financially independent and fulfilling lives.





#### 2022-23 SKILL DEVELOPMENT & LIVELIHOOD TRAINING **ACHIEVEMENTS**

Of 302 women who enrolled in various courses.

## 146 graduated in tailoring,

mehendi, fashion jewellery, paper bag and beauty & hairstyle courses this year.

23,655 products were sold, including bags, paper bags, notebooks, bracelets, toiletry pouches, Vision Rescue uniforms, Upstitch Annual Day costume orders, kurtas, thank you cards, earrings and tea coasters.

Of the 11 students in the

### **Beautician &** Hair Care program,

three are working at a salon, earning a monthly income of 6000 rupees each. Eight have opted to work independently, taking personal orders, with earnings ranging from 400 to 500 rupees daily.

During the Eid celebrations in April 23, six Beautician & Hair Care students actively

### took orders,

collectively generating an income of 400 to 500 rupees per student.

4 students from the

## **Fashion Jewellery**

course in Kalwa successfully secured orders for bracelets through Vision Rescue.

## In the Hand **Embroidery**

program at Kalwa, three students received orders for embroidery on bags.

Vision Rescue facilitates

## Seven Self-Help Groups (SHGs) with a

combined membership of 21 dedicated women across four locations.

### Of the **54** students

enrolled in Vision Rescue **Culinary Training Institute** 36 students have finished their theory classes, and 19 joined internships. 2 students have **graduated** and started working.









# Finding hope in a new career path

Roshni is making the most of her learnings from our Beautician & Hair Care course.









Roshni is one of 5 children in a family that lives in a slum community beside Mumbai's largest garbage dump in Deonar. Her father had allowed her to pursue education until Class 12, but only because her elder sister was in the same school as her. As soon as her sister got married, her father refused to let Roshni travel alone to any institution for further studies. Her journey in education came to an sudden end.

While Roshni spent her days unemployed and alone at home, she watched her younger brothers continue to study.

Her second brother is now in Class 12, and her third brother in Class 8. Her eldest brother didn't study past Class 10, as back then the family couldn't afford high school for him. He works in a garage today.

The Vision Rescue team met Roshni one afternoon during a routine house visit. Roshni's cousin Angel studies in our Beacon Learning Centre, Class 1, right within their slum community, and Angel's Case Officer had gone home to help the family set progress goals for the days to come.

Our Case Officer met Roshni there, heard her story of interrupted education, and immediately offered to enrol her into one of our Skill Development & Livelihood Training courses. Roshni was eager to join our newly launched Beautician & Haircare Course, and she was part of our very first batch in September 2022. She made it to almost every class throughout the three-month

course, and she was quick to absorb new concepts.

From a quiet, shy girl who had very little confidence in herself or hope for her future, we watched Roshni transform in just three months to an outspoken lady who's unafraid to speak her mind, grooms herself well, and is excited to make new friends!

As soon as Roshni graduated from our course, she went straight to work. She told her neighbours, friends and relatives about her new skills, and she started taking orders from home. Shaping eyebrows, waxing, hair cuts, facials - Roshni put everything she had picked up on our course to good use! Today, she dreams of opening up her own Beauty & Haircare boutique in her community.

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#### **HEALTHCARE FOR ADULTS**

#### Our work

In poverty-stricken slum communities, accessing quality healthcare remains a critical challenge. When parents fall ill, children often take on household responsibilities, sacrificing education or turning to child labour to cover healthcare costs.

Many slum community families lack government documentation due to migration, hindering access to subsidised medical care. Consequently, private healthcare becomes the only option, imposing additional financial strain. Low literacy rates among parents exacerbate vulnerability to misinformation and exploitation, perpetuating limited healthcare access.

Vision Rescue is committed to tackling these issues through targeted interventions, collaborations, and community empowerment. We aim to dismantle barriers and create a healthier future for underserved families.

Various services offered to the parents of BLC and non-BLC communities are:

#### 1. General Medical Camps

These awareness and check-up camps cater to the health needs of the community and BLC family members. Collaborations with hospitals and medical colleges ensure expert professional involvement in community health initiatives. After such camps, BLC parents and other community members in need of additional medications or treatment are referred to specialised doctors in network government hospitals by our medical team. In 2022-23 Vision Rescue has conducted general medical camps on the following topics:

1	. Anaemia camp (awareness and detection) with medicine distribution
2	2. Audiometry test
3	3. BCG, DPT, MMR & TT vaccine camp
4	I. Cancer detection camp
5	5. Covid-19 vaccination camp
6	5. Deworming tablet distribution

7. DPT, MMR, TT, Penta, GOVER vaccination camp
8. Eye Camp
9. General and Paediatric camp
10. HIV Detection Camp
11. Importance of Immunisation
12. Measles
13. Nutrition camp
14. Malnutrition - medicine distribution
15. Routine immunisation

#### 2. Antenatal Care (ANC)

Monthly antenatal care and immunisation camps provide healthcare to pregnant women in our target slum communities and their children up to five years old.

#### 3. Healthcare Awareness Programs

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Vision Rescue conducts health awareness programs to educate the community about diseases, symptoms, and available treatments. Topics are chosen based on national health awareness calendars and community surveys. They include

1. Anti-Tobacco Day	7. HIV/AIDS
2. Autism	8. Osteoporosis
3. Arthritis	9. Polio
4. Breastfeeding	10. Sexual And Reproductive Health & Hygiene
5. Cancer	11. Tuberculosis
6. Diabetes	12. Contraception/Family Planning

13. Covid-19	20. Monsoon Diseases
14. First Aid Training	21. No Smoking Day
15. Hand Washing	22. Oral, Breast & Cervical Cancer
16. Healthy Hearing	23. World Aids Day
17. Hypertension	24. World Health Day
18. Malaria	25. Worm Infestation
19. Measles	

#### 4. Dental Health

Our adult dental health strategy encompasses oral screenings, preventive measures, treatment, and awareness campaigns. We work in collaboration with dental educational institutions and dental hospitals to provide comprehensive dental care and promote oral health awareness among our children's families. Specialists from these organisations, or our own dental team, routinely conduct dental awareness sessions across community locations, fostering knowledge about oral health, hygiene, and disease prevention. These are followed by Dental Camps that involve dental check-ups and treatment within the dental van or referrals to government hospitals.





## 2022-23 HEALTHCARE FOR ADULTS ACHIEVEMENTS

19
general medical camps
were conducted,
serving a total

of 1795 beneficiaries.

**29** awareness programs were conducted by the medical team,

benefiting 10,56° beneficiaries in various areas of health and wellbeing.

14,055 attendees benefit from dental awareness programs.

**953** community attendees participated in dental camps. being.



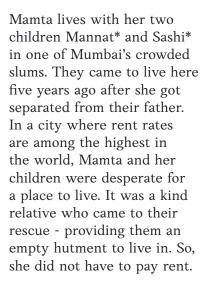
471 adults received dental check-ups through various programs - jails (262) and Murbad village (209).



**CASE STORY** 

## **Love in Action**

#### A single mother battles poverty and tuberculosis



In the initial years Mamta worked in a 'tabela' (stable, where cows and buffaloes are bred and taken care of). There she earned a measly sum of Rs. 3000/- a month which was barely enough to sustain herself and two sons.

With what she earned she paid for electricity and gas and daily basic expenses. In addition to her woes, neither she nor her children had any government documents like the Aadhar card and PAN Card. Without this basic documentation in place, Mamta couldn't enrol her children in any school. Moreover, Mamta just did not have the time, capacity or money to send Mannat to school when he was of school-

going age. While she worked at the tabela, Mannat and Sashi would be playing in the neighbourhood streets.

That's how Mannat's education took a back seat and so did his brother's. They effectively lost the first crucial five years of education. It was at this moment that the family met Vision Rescue.

In June 2022, Mannat, was enrolled in Grade I of our Beacon Learning Centre's Open Basic Education program, at the age of 8 years and his brother Sashi was enrolled in Nursery at the





age of 5 years. Despite his late start to learning, Mannat picked up everything from scratch, even holding a pencil.

Today he can write independently. Mamta says, "before joining BLC my son would roam around and play all day. Today he is learning and studying." Along with good quality education Mannat and his brother take a nutritious lunch tiffin home, which is enough to share with their mother who has been unwell for almost a year.

In the past year Mamta has been suffering from

Tuberculosis and was hospitalised. Our team assisted her in this time. She is now at home but is unable to go to work resulting in no income for her or the children to survive on.

The doctors have recommended for Mamta a diet of milk and an egg daily which Vision Rescue helps provide. In this way we can support the mother so that she can recover, stay healthy and look after her children. We believe it is imperative for the mother to receive support so that the children are sustained in education

and we are doing what we can to help them. Mamta attends our Focused Group Meetings when it is organised near her home, at other times the Community Case Officer drops in to check on her.

Once Mamta's health improves we also plan to guide her on how to make the relevant documents; the Aadhar Card and Pan Card which will be useful for the children's future. Our main focus for this family now is to help Mamta revive back to good health, engage and sustain Mannat and his brother in education and restore their dignity.

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# III: OUR WORK WITH COMMUNITIES

#### **COMMUNITY CHAMPIONS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM**



#### Our work

Vision Rescue's vision is to empower individuals to find their purpose, enjoy their rights, and live with dignity. We achieve this by providing tailored awareness camps and tools for self-empowerment to families in impoverished slums.

We actively engage with and support vulnerable communities in Mumbai through our Vision Rescue Community Service Centres in four slums

- Kalwa
- Mandala
- Shivaji Nagar
- Maharashtra Nagar

In 2018, Vision Rescue launched the Community Champions Development Program (CCDP), where leaders (Champions) are chosen from within the slum community and trained to drive social change within their own community.

The 'Community Champions,' many of whom are parents, have witnessed how education directly transformed their children's lives. Today we have 211 active Champions & Co-Champions who now fervently advocate for education, healthcare, nutrition, and overall community progress, within their neighbourhood

Our meticulous **Champion Selection Process** for the
Community Wellness
Development Program
(CCDP) involves identifying
potential leaders during
community visits.

• Individuals above 18 showing leadership qualities

and willingness to contribute are interviewed.

- After selection, champions undergo CCDP training and actively partake in insightful exposure visits to governmental institutions.
- These champions enthusiastically participate in diverse activities, including providing BLC support, diligently tracking absentee students/trainees, ensuring efficient grocery distribution, and conducting need

assessment surveys.
Every Champion is entrusted with connecting with and managing the needs of 50 families within their neighbourhood. In cases of Champion relocation, we ensure seamless continuity by carefully selecting a suitable replacement.

We further support the Champions' growth as leaders by conducting awareness sessions, training on criticals social issues so that Champions can lead local awareness meetings called **Focus Group Meetings (FGM)**, arranging eye-opening exposure visits, and facilitating connections with various NGOs and governmental bodies.

Vision Rescue's genuine and enthusiastic involvement showcases the positive impact of its initiatives spreading throughout the slum communities.



## 2022-23 COMMUNITY CHAMPIONS ACHIEVEMENTS

54 of Vision Rescue's Community Champions conducted 477 Focus Group Meetings raising awareness about important social issues to an audience of over 7200 beneficiaries in four slum communities.

- 55 Community Champions helped identify & distribute 1440 Khichdi packets (7200 meals worth) from Rise Against Hunger NGO to 819 families in need.
- **46** Community Champions visited Kama Hospital for an exposure and networking

session.

In Maharashtra Nagar 8 Champions secured flour mill and sewing machines through United Way Mumbai.

## In all communities Community Champions assisted in:

- Mission Admission the annual drive to enrol students into BLC as well as facilitate enrollments to the local municipal school.
- Conducting dental and medical check-up camps both at BLC and the local

municipal schools.

- Facilitating routine family visits alongside the Case Officer.
- Accompanying families to the local municipal hospital.
- Distributing clothes to needy families and helping in community surveys.
- Guiding community members to open Bank Accounts, make KYC (Know Your Customer) bank documents and avail various Government schemes.







**CASE STORY** 

# A daughter educated, a mother Championed

See how a mother inspired by her daughter's growth in education, became a community leader advocating for education herself

At Vision Rescue, we not only believe in engaging children in education but also in sustaining them in education by empowering their families. Meet Husena\*. Husena has been Vision Rescue's student since 2019. The first time we met her was when she was playing on the streets of her

slum community, which is bordered by the city's largest garbage dump.

Husena's father moved to Mumbai over two decades ago. He always dreamt of a better future and life for his family here in the megapolis. Settling in one of the poorest and largest slums in the city, Husena's father tried to cope with the hustle and bustle of the city. He tried his best to find a job opportunity but with no education all he could find was a daily-wage job. With the very little that he earned, a huge amount of money went towards their

rent, bills and daily living expenses and with whatever that's left he tries to keep his family afloat.

Husena's life began to change when she entered the doors of our Beacon Learning Centre. Right from receiving quality education, to providing her with hearty nutritious meals every weekday, school bag, uniform, stationery, health checkups and dental assessments, Vision Rescue's services have been sustaining little Husena in education from 2019 to date.

Seeing her child grow, Husena's mother Bano began to attend our Focus Group Meetings and training sessions for parents. Soon after, she went on to become our Community Champion too. She now advocates for education, healthcare and nutrition for all children in her slum community.

What a joy to see this mother and daughter grow together! Champions like Bano are Vision Rescue's strategy to empower communities to sustain development from within. Bano was trained through our Community Champions Development Program (CCDP), and this equipped her with exposure visits to local government bodies such as the municipal hospital, police station, ration shop etc.

Through CCDP Bano also has undergone numerous awareness training sessions on topics such as poverty alleviation schemes by the Government, acquiring government IDs such as Aadhar & PAN, accessing subsidised healthcare, dealing

with social evils such as phone addiction, tobacco addiction etc. These trainings have helped Bano connect the women and their families in her neighbourhood to the services they need. Today Bano is seen as a woman leader to reckon with in her community.

Bano couldn't be happier seeing her child graduate from our BLC. We enrolled Husena in a nearby public school for her further education. Husena now studies in grade 1 at this public school. Husena dreams of becoming a Teacher when she grows up.

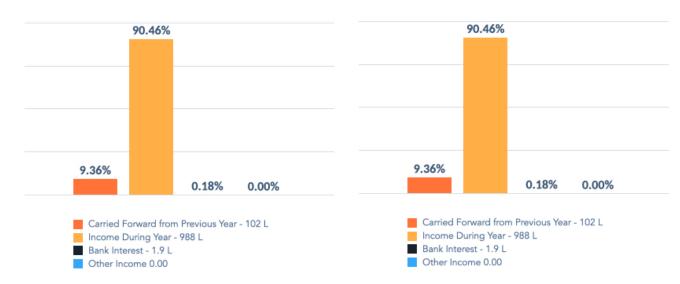
Meanwhile, Husena's younger sister studies in our Beacon Learning Centre OBE - Class 1. And it's their mother Bano who advocates for the power of education in their community.

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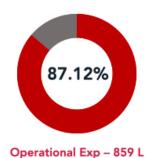
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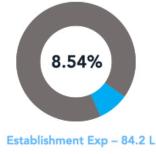




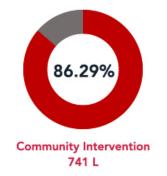
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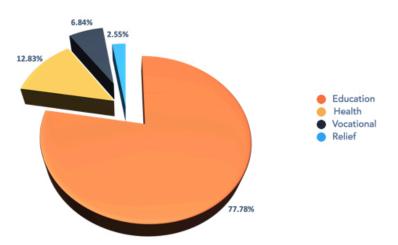






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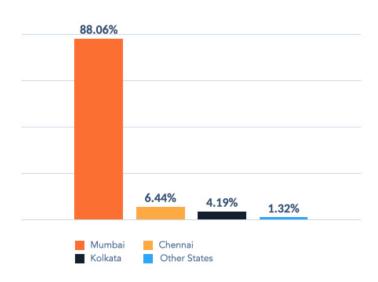
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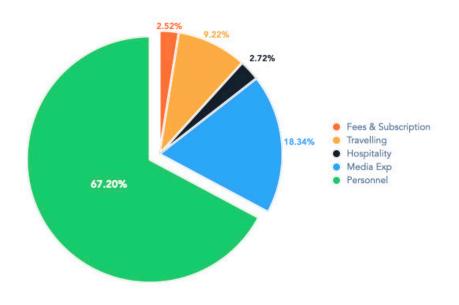
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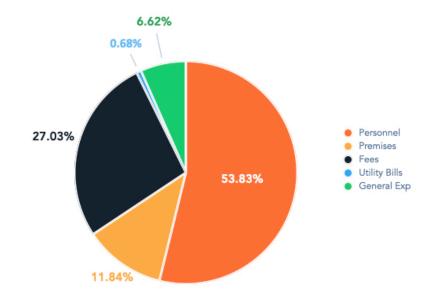
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