

SOFOSH

SOCIETY OF FRIENDS OF THE SASSOON HOSPITALS

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Dear Friends,

Greetings from SOFOSH!!

SOFOSH (Society of the Friends of the Sassoon hospitals) is a non-government charitable organisation established in 1964 to supplement the efforts of the Sassoon General Hospitals, Pune by offering a wide range of patient welfare services.

Patient Welfare: Project for HIV, burns project, TB project, support for cancer and Thalassemia patients etc are covered under patient welfare. Apart from the direct help to patients, help for equipments and infrastructure is also given to the hospital like providing defibrillators, ventilators, laundry machines, ECG machines, suction machines, trolleys etc. Lastly nutrition to needy patients and health education is also done under the patient welfare project.

Shreevatsa Child Care Centre- In 1973, SOFOSH established SHREEVATSA, a child care centre which provides shelter, care, educational and medical aid to family deprived children. All efforts are made to rehabilitate these children through our well established adoption programme. Shreevatsa is set up for catering to the needs of the abandoned, orphaned children from newborn to 6 years of age and offering them a loving home and hope. Due care is taken for their food, medical and psychological needs. A long term rehabilitation plan is worked out for each child, primarily through efforts of reuniting with the birth parents, failing which they are rehabilitated through adoptive parents. Pre and post counseling for adoption is done through a dedicated team for adoption.

Till today we have looked after 5438 children at the child care centre Shreevatsa and rehabilitated 3217 children in adoption and provided them loving family and permanent home. Currently we have 40 children in our care at Shreevatsa.

MANAGING COMMITTEE

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Foster Family care Programme: Through SOFOSH's Foster family network, family-deprived children are nurtured by substitute families, till they can be permanently re-settled.

Tara - SOFOSH Dhadphale Centre: A home for the mentally and physically challenged family deprived children was established by SOFOSH in 2008 at Pimpale Gurav. All efforts are made to provide shelter, care, educational and medical aid to these children to facilitate their growth and development. This initiative is aimed at the children with special needs. Tara is a special home especially designed to help special children confront their mental, physical and social challenges and thus fulfil their right to a protected and dignified life. Currently we have 41 children in our care at Tara SOFOSH Dhadphale Centre.

We appreciate your gesture of donation towards the honorarium of the child care staff who looks after the family derived children and children with special needs. This ongoing help from your side is God sent for us.

We take this opportunity to thank you for your worthwhile help. Your donation will certainly help the family deprived children to get a better life.

Yours sincerely,



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