

Help When You Can

A young woman of 35, Olive Alick has been a member of the Self-Help Group "AMBER" since August 2009. At this time her savings amounted to Rs.5, 050.00, she has two sons attending the semi-government school "Shama Parsad School", and she and her husband are leading a good marriage.

But fortune, it seems, can not always be good. One day, Olive began feeling sick and feverish. When one of the project's employees attends one of the meetings of "AMBER", her group members informed us that she was very ill. We soon found out that she had started treatment with a local doctor from the Basti, who was trying to convince her to go to a hospital.

We encouraged her to follow the advice; she did, and was admitted to the Metro Hospital. Her family struggled to keep up with the expenses brought on by the hospital, but the bills started piling up and her husband feared he could not pay them. Fearing for his wife's life if he could not afford the treatment necessary, he approached the members of her group and told them of their troubles. After a short consultation amongst the group, they agreed to give Olive a loan of Rs.20,000.00. Her husband was overjoyed and truly grateful. Olive received the much needed treatment and her life was saved. She is doing very well now and has already started paying back her debt.

This union of strong women was able to provide what was needed to save the life of one of their own. Olive is more than thankful and the other women are proud. It is because of them that she lives. This harsh experience has made them realize the importance of their membership in such a group. HOPE is always there for those in need.



Pic. Dividend Distribution



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From Disappointment to Hope

Afroz and Feroz are 45 years old twin brothers living on the streets of Basti Hazrat Nizamuddin with a physical disability hampering their movement up to 95%. With no basic amenities to survive on the streets, the two brothers move around on a wheel chair depending on the neighbourhood for food and shelter. Having lost their wheel chair on an immoral day in the basti, their movement became disrupted leading to their crawling on the concrete road and getting bruises and severe wounds. Subsequently being doubly discriminated upon, for being deprived and disabled, they somehow managed to reach the premises of The Hope Project. At Hope they received immediate medical attention from the Health Centre and after a month they were also helped in getting a wheel chair. Afroz and Feroz are now regular visitors of Hope.



Pic: Disabled

Affording Gifts

Tarannum, a 19-year-old educated at Hope, always knew that as the eldest child, she would work and support her parents as soon as she could. During her time as a student at our school, the teachers found her to be a bright, dedicated, and very responsible young girl, and now young woman. After having finished her academic training, Tarannum knew that she must learn a skill to help her parents. She joined the vocational training at the Hope Project in the Baking & Catering unit. Here also convincing her teachers as a dedicated and hard-working student, she received excellent training in baking cakes and biscuits and mastering the complicated art of the Indian cuisine. It was soon clear that Tarannum is a talented cook and baker and she impressed many a client with her skills. Her efforts earned her respect and she quickly joined the unit as a permanent and appreciated member.

With the money rightfully earned, Tarannum delightedly supports her parents, helps them keep their family afloat. Not only does this success put a smile on her own face, but she procures one on the faces of her younger siblings by surprising them by affording gifts of toys and books every once in a while. With HOPE, there seems to be a smile for everyone.



Pic. Tarannum

Hope for the Better Tomorrow



Pic: Noor Inayat Khan Library

Your continuing support leaves us most humble and grateful. With your help we have been very successful. The placement centre has already placed 13 of 31 registered in commercial companies. The Youth Forum continues to grow and set a path of itself. Training in English conversation and classes in job readiness orientation are a few of inspiring new ideas. Some members have also started using our Noor Inayat Khan library, The work center has also gained in momentum as another 20 women recently joined, this ensuring an income for their families, and of course empowering themselves. Truly significant as well is the continuing interest in the computer training programmes. Hope is very active in keeping up with current demands and has therefore planned crash courses in professional accountancy and retail management and marketing. This creates opportunities for the youth and ensures the possibility of growth in person by minimizing their vulnerability.

But perhaps Hope's greatest achievement in the past sixth months is the new program of Gynecology OPD. Having started in April in the Hazrat Inayat Khan Health Centre, this program provides expecting and lactating mothers with all the basic health care needed during this fragile time (cont.).

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This will result in the reduction of the maternal mortality and morbidity. The women were, up until now, forced to travel long distances in order to receive such attention, often resulting in complications. Encouraging safe deliveries are now much more possible and probable. The poor and homeless women of course receive all treatment free of cost. The Gynecology OPD also provides information services, reproductive clinical services, ANC/PNC check-ups, ensuring an immense support amongst the expecting and recently blessed.

The Hazrat Inayat Khan Health Centre has been very active. Besides the Gynecology OPD, many other initiatives were taken in improving basic health. A dental camp was set up on January 27th, proving care for easily treatable cases and referring more complicated cases to a near by dental centre. An educational magic show was used to inform the inhabitants of the basti on heart diseases, kidney diseases, diabetes (all three how to recognize the symptoms and how to prevent), hygiene, eating habits and adiposity. EYE screening training was offered to make aware of and prevent eye diseases. And on the World TB Day 2011 students from the support classes were joined by the Girls Non-formal School for educational information on TB.



Pic.: Gynecological examination