

A PROJECT OF EL SHADDAI CHARITABLE TRUST

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Project proposal for running Community Centre

About El Shaddai

El Shaddai Charitable Trust is a registered, non-profit charity working in Goa and other states of India, implementing the Child Rights and Juvenile Justice for orphans, street children and children coming from economically underprivileged conditions. In the year 2013, El Shaddai Charitable Trust was accredited by Credibility Alliance which is one of the Leading Accreditation Agencies in India. In August 2017 El Shaddai was awarded by The Goa State NGO's Leadership, an initiative of World CSR day. El Shaddai was also awarded this year by Amrita TV recognizing the effect of Charitable work.

Vision

"Bringing childhood to children who never had one".

El Shaddai provides such children with:

- Shelter and Care
- Education
- Nutrition
- Health Support
- Awareness Programs

This gives them an opportunity to have a brighter future.

El Shaddai has impacted over 70,000 children and continues to touch more lives through its various initiatives. We want to reach out to many more children with the love and care they deserve.

Programmes by El Shaddai

Homes

El Shaddai is currently running seven homes with 350 children across the state of Goa by providing rehabilitation and compassionate support needed to help children that gives each child in their care a comfortable life leading to self-reliance.

Shelters and Centres

In the North of Goa we have three programmes - Ashadeep, Little Acorns, and Tremara with newly introduced women shelter, House of Hope. In the South, we have three programmes as well- Stepping Stones, Good News, and Ashraya. The slums surrounding these programmes have thousands of children deprived of a normal childhood and thus, these programmes bring comfort and relief to these children. The Shelters and Centres offer protection, education, and teach the children about the significance of health and hygiene.

We have over 2000 children availing the benefits of El Shaddai Day care Shelters, and Centres. Our fieldworkers also work to spread awareness among communities and the children coming off the streets for food and medical attention.

Vocational Training, Classes, and Camps

A large group of around 3000 migrants receive vocational training and are enrolled for Mehendi Designing, Tailoring, Computer Classes, Beautician Courses, and Adult Literacy classes. Counseling, Awareness, Medical, and Health camps are also conducted in the slums.

Meals on Wheels

El Shaddai's "Meals on Wheels" Manna Khana Food distribution programme provides free packed meals for the poor, disabled, those living on the streets. Over 300 adults and children benefit from this project; they are provided with takeaway packets on week days in four areas of Goa - Margao, Panjim, Calangute, and Mapusa. Our staffs empower and comfort these unfortunate people with kind words and also enlighten them with awareness programs.

Slum Schools

Slum School project is a uniquely designed program which prepares slum children, for formal education by taking the school to them. This project will provide 1000 children who are living on the edge, marginalized and deprived of the basic education, health facilities and with no financial security with education and comprehensive support services. The children often end up doing domestic chores or get into rag-picking and other anti social activities. This project will allow children from these uniquely marginalized communities in Goa, India to stay off the streets and thrive in mainstream school environments.

Women's and Men's shelter

House of Hope is a project of El Shaddai Charitable Trust in collaboration with Goa State Urban Development Agency started accommodating urban homeless females in their shelter home, a safe place providing protection and support, catering to the primary needs of women in difficult circumstances like domestic violence, abuse, sexual assault, and mental stress and empower them to get back to normal life. The women in need are involved in skill development program like tailoring, gardening, personality development. Men's shelter is started at Verna House, Verna. Around 10 abandoned men are taken care of.

Community Sponsorship

Many children from the underprivileged section have migrated from other states and are left with nothing. Some are drop outs and are not able to continue with the schooling due to financial challenges and the ongoing crisis. Community Sponsorship is an initiative of El Shaddai, through which we provide support and scholarship especially parentless, single parent with no proper infrastructure and also for the children who are good at academics, but are financially challenged to pursue their studies.

PROJECT DETAILS AT A GLANCE:

Project title	To provide Day care and protection to the underprivileged children serves as a safe haven for the street children whose parents work as laborers, Empower women and Vocational training
Project Status	Ongoing
Implementation	Little Acorns Community Center
Proposed Project period	1 year
Project Goal	Provide Daycare, good education and the tools of life to enable them to have a better future and empower women and by providing Vocational Training
Target beneficiaries	180 Children and Women
Areas	Chimbel, Panaji - Goa
Annual Financial Assistance	RS. 1462200=00

Details of the Project – Little Acorns - Community Center

Little Acorns is our third Day Care Shelter was inaugurated in 2005, located at the coastal village of Calangute, in the north of Goa to provide care and protection. Tourism is the main source of income in this area and during the tourist season people from the neighboring states migrates to Goa in search of livelihood. The underprivileged children accompanying them are often sent out to work in the market. Some beg, others pick rags and others work as hawkers. The lives of these children are dismal to say the least especially the once who are left back in the slumand are prone to physical and sexual abuse.

Objectives:

- Day care Shelter to ensure safety of the children from physical and sexual abuse.
- Make them feeling loved by providing them care, love and a sense of belongingness
- Conduct different activities for the personal growth and building self confidence
- Women empowerment, Education and Vocational training
- Community Health work & awareness on family planning

Beneficiaries:

- Marginalized/slum and street children
- Children Deprived of food, education and day care
- Children belonging to labor class families
- Economically weaker section of the society
- Uneducated women

Strategy Interventions:

- Align projects as per the objectives
- Provide food, clothing and Day care
- Provide Education to the children
- Protect them from physical and sexual abuse
- Empowering Women and adults with vocational training as per their talents

Sustainability

- Regular and sustained awareness and counseling
- Provide Day care
- Developing more support staff to take care of the children
- Develop long term linkages with the stakeholders

Major Challenges

- Street Children deprived of a Day care
- Children do not receive proper education and food.
- Coping up with studies is a challenge for poor children
- Developing confidence and achieve the best as per their abilities
- Domestic violence, abusive parents and risk of sexual abuse.
- Educating the parents

COST REQUIREMENTS FOR THE EXISTING PROJECT:

Food Expense	Monthly cost	Yearly cost	Total in Rupees		
Food/Provisions and Snakes	36000 @ 120 Children	432000	432000		
School Expense					
Books		12000			
Stationery Items		10000			
Learning Aids		3000	25000		
Staff salary					
Centre In charge	20000	240000			
Field Worker and Teachers x 3Nos	45000	540000	780000		
Travelling /Petrol/Insurance and Utility					
Travelling expenses		2700			
Insurance		1500			
Housekeeping Utilities and consumables		10000			
Electricity, water and telephone charges	<mark>1350</mark>	16000			
Repair and Maintenance of Shelter/Vehicles		100000	130200		
Other Expenses					
Medicines Expense		15000	15000		
Conducting Programmes eg: Adult literacy Health awareness Outreach and Vocational training		80000	80000		

Conclusion

The interaction of our field workers with the slums dwellers and people living on the streets brought to our notice a very urgent need for supporting the children who are prone to abuse since their parents work as labours during the day living the children alone the slum. Educating the parents and providing vocational training has made significant change in their life. So Community Centre has a significant meaning for El Shaddai, giving a ray of hope for the unprivileged children and empowering women. We want to ensure the children and their families are given back their rights to enjoy life and not fight for it.

Your support and generosity will be highly appreciated.