



CARE & SHARE

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HOUSING PROJECTS

“Home” is a basic human right that is critical to a family’s health, dignity, safety, inclusion, and contribution to its community. Care & Share works with numerous partners to serve the requests that we receive through various channels for impoverished families. In the last 5 years, 78 houses were supported, of which 70 are completed, 3 are in progress and 5 are ready to get started. Care & Share has spent approximately \$472,000 raised through various fundraisers and partners towards housing.

Mr. Unni and his wife are elderly, jobless and have chronic medical conditions. The only



Old homes

breadwinner in their household was their son, who lost his job after COVID complications. Along with their son’s wife and two grandchildren, all six family members were living in a small hut, which then collapsed when a tree fell on the house. Every family that we support has its own unique story to tell.



New homes

On the auspicious day of Uttradam (Onam), four families living in deplorable conditions moved into their new homes. Each home averaged around 600 square feet, costing \$9,000. Around 20% of the cost was either met by the families or raised locally. Care & Share met the rest of the expenses.

CHRONIC KIDNEY PATIENT PROJECTS

In recent years, kidney-related complications are on a steep rise in Kerala. A majority of these cases advance into either renal transplants or dialysis support. Typically, dialysis costs more than Rs.4,000/week, even after commonly available subsidies.

Care & Share supports CKD patients in various ways. We sponsor dialysis machines at select hospitals, so that patients below the poverty level get dialysis at a discounted rate or for free. So far, we have donated 3 dialysis machines to PS Hospital in Maradu, which is known as the hospital of the poor in Ernakulam. We are currently working with Shanthibhavan Palliative Hospital in Thrissur to sponsor an additional 3 machines. Shanthibhavan (<https://shanthibhavan.in/>) is known as “no -bill” hospital and provides all of its services to patients free of charge. Thanks to our partners, friends and supporters for making this possible.

Through our partnership with “Stand With Kerala,” we also sponsor 100 dialyses a month at Paalana Hospital (<https://paalana.in/>) in Palakkad. Apart from this, Care and Share also extends support to CKD patients in Vadakara Co-operative Hospital and Amala Hospital, Thrissur.



One of the donated machines. Three more will be donated in the first quarter of 2023

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JUNIOR HIGH STUDENT HELPS LADYBUG HOUSE

Pediatric palliative care provider Ladybug House (www.ladybughouse.org) in Washington is trying to build the state’s first family centered respite care home for children, adolescents and young adults with life-threatening illnesses. Sixteen-year-old Malavika Brijesh, a junior high student at Liberty High School, came forward to perform a wonderful Carnatic classical vocal concert in order to support the efforts of Ladybug House. “Nadopasana” attracted many supporters and music enthusiastic, despite the pandemic challenges during March 2022. Care & Share provided all the required infrastructure and logistical support to successfully raise \$24,000. Care & Share also matched 1:1 of the first \$10,000, to make the contribution a whopping \$34,000. During the Care & Sare Board function in Seattle on May 14th, Malavika handed over the donation check to Ladybug House founder Ms. Suzanne Gwynn.

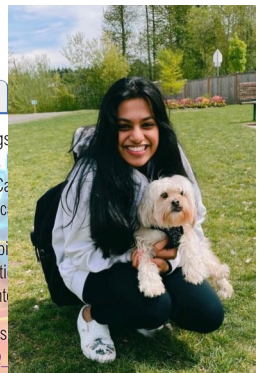


Malavika handing over \$34,000 to Ladybug House founder Ms. Suzanne Gwynn

While we asked Malavika what made her choose Ladybug House as the beneficiary, her response was, “We may not be able to add days to their [LBH kids’] lives, but we can definitely add life to their days.” Her compassion was so touching. Thank you Malavika, you are such an inspiration!

ART AGAINST COVID

With a strong second wave of COVID in Kerala, Ayiloor Panchayath in Palakkad struggled for all kinds of resources. Panchayath’s health center urgently needed basic accessories such as oximeters, antigen test kits, sanitizers, PPE kits, face shields, gloves, bedsheets and glucometers. Eleventh grade student Devika Ajith from Bothell, WA, whose parents originally hail from Ayiloor, immediately responded with a fundraiser by showcasing her best artwork over the past two



Devika (on the right) listed six of her works for auction to help Ayiloor panchayath’s health center’s COVID needs



Local MLA Mr. Babu Nemmara hands over accessories to the health center

years in an internet auction. With each piece of art averaging about \$850, she raised close to \$5,000 in less than a week. Care & Share worked with Trichur Surgicals to deliver the required items on an emergency basis. Accessories were handed over to the Panchayath by local MLA Mr. Babu Nemmara.

We experience such joy when our young volunteers come forward to use their gifted talents to extend a helping hand to the people in need! Kudos Devika Ajith, we wish you the very best with your artistic career. We are sure good deeds like this will influence many others to have a positive impact in society.

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POKER TOURNAMENT SUPPORTS TWO SPECIAL SCHOOLS

Care & Share
POKER
Tournament
Oct 18th 4.30PM PST, Online **give**
Cause: **Special Education**

Prizes:
 First prize : Xbox Series X
 Second prize : Apple Watch Series 8
 Third Prize : AirPods Pro (2nd Generation)
 Fourth - Eighth Prize: \$ 50 Gift Card

100% proceeds go towards special education.
 Suggested donation to buy in: \$40 + MS Match
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Microsoft celebrates October as Giving Campaign month, equipping charities with a wide range of tools, such as the infrastructure for poker tournaments. For the past five years, Care & Share has been part of these tournaments to raise funds for special education schools and chronic kidney patients. Ten thousand dollars was raised to support two special schools - Chaithanya in Palakkad and Holy Cross in Kottayam.

Chaithanya School (www.chaithanya.net) is one of the fourteen special schools in the district of Palakkad in Kerala. One hundred forty-nine children attend the school, and another set of children receive help through Community Based Rehabilitation (CBR) programs. Care & Share has been supporting Chaithanya since 2010.

Holy Cross Special School in Mannackanadu, Kottayam is the latest addition of special school that receives Care & Share support. Started in 2001 with 17 students, the school today serves

104 special needs kids. With around 20 staff members, the school provides a wide range of services such as CBR, home based rehabilitation, noon meals, vocational training, periodic medical checkups and multiple therapies. Vocational training activities include candle making, book binding, envelope making, fabric painting and screen printing.



Holy Cross school celebrating children's day

TO SPONSOR 900 SQ FT AT SNEHAKOODU

Snehakoodu (<https://snehakoodu.org>) is a secular non-profit organization with the goal of protecting elderly people who are left alone in the streets for various reasons. Snehakoodu tries to reunite the individuals with their families by providing all possible legal protection, but in many cases, they have nowhere else to go other than Snehakoodu. Seventy-nine elderly people (24 males and 55 females) are currently living there and are provided with food, shelter, love, treatment, and other basic needs.

The organization currently operates out of a rented property with a monthly rent of close to Rs 1.5 lakhs. One of its supporters donated 15 cents of land to the organization, and it intends to build an 8,000 square foot facility with three floors. The bottom floor will serve as a palliative care facility to those who are in need. The cost per square foot comes to around Rs 1,500, and 300 square feet is treated as a room/unit equivalent. Care & Share, with the support of partners like MaChaNi and Seattle Saptaswara, will be sponsoring three units in 2023. Total cost for 900 square feet would come close to \$18,000. Would you like to sponsor a square foot unit? The cost is only \$20!

#SQUAREFEET CHALLENGE ₹1500
 Care & Share joins the #SQUAREFEET challenge by sponsoring 900 sq ft

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FINANCIAL REPORT

In 2021, a total of \$745,674 was spent for charitable projects, with an administrative cost of just 0.4%. This means that for every \$100 donated to Care & Share, \$99.60 went straight to the project beneficiaries. For more details, please visit <https://www.careandshare.com/financial-operations>.

	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Revenue for the Year	120,208	3,375,685	770,944	572,220	1,002,395
Fund Balance from Prior Year	61,701	45,433	160,108	326,854	378,980
Allocation and Disbursement for Charitable Projects	130,600	3,234,184	577,452	499,601	745,674
Administrative Expenses	849	4,337	3,963	6,572	6,138
Administrative Expenses %	0.5	0.1	0.5	0.7	0.4
Revenue over Expenses	\$45,433	\$160,108	\$326,854	\$378,980	\$605,676

KIDS WHO LOST BOTH PARENTS FIND A NEW HOME

Leslie (17 years) and Melvin (12 years) lost both their parents in successive years, one due to health complications and the other to COVID. They were living in a rented place which they had to vacate after losing the parents. They were temporarily placed in one of their relatives homes, but needed a permanent home. Few groups came together including our partners “Stand With Kerala” and Seattle Saptaswara to find 3 cents of land and constructed a beautiful small home of 580 sq ft. Saptaswara from 2022 Ganolsavam funds, supported the deficit of Rs 3 lakhs (~\$4,000) required for the completion of home. Construction was completed in about 4 months and home was handed over on Nov 26th.



LASER ENGRAVING MACHINE FOR PARAPLEGIC

Can Walk Society for Human Welfare (CWS) is a non-profit based in Trivandrum working towards addressing various aspects of paraplegic individuals. The physical, psychological, social, economic and other issues of the spinal cord injured (SCI) community go largely unnoticed and unaddressed. As part of CWS’s effort to vocationally rehabilitate 60 SCI persons, the organization needed a laser engraving machine which can be used for various purposes in the crafts and gifting industry. The machine supports various surfaces such as wood, acrylic, paper and leather. The most common usages are creating mementos and engraved recognition plaques. Our partner Ma-ChaNi’s Christmas Carol team learned about the need, and its members graciously came forward to sponsor the machine. The machine cost Rs 3.72 lakhs (~\$5,000) and is now fully functional.



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