



# ABC

*Advocates for Babies in  
Crisis Society*

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## Newsletter

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### Looking ahead

Covid has slowed us down a little bit, but by no means has it stopped us. We continued with hospital admissions for our sick children and from October onwards, our staff is back full time at the orphanage.

Unfortunately, it will be a while before we can start cuddling again, but we are constantly in touch with both the orphanages, helping as needed. Our focus is currently on health and hygiene, diagnostics, vaccines and other preventive care measures.

We also have some exciting new projects coming up, for which we need your help and support. Do read on for more details.

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**Help Save Lives!**

# Pre-School Project

WE NEED YOUR HELP TO

# MAKE-A-PLAY SCHOOL




sometimes we need a little more than some magic...




For over 200 orphans we support...

We are very excited to announce that renovation work is complete at one of the buildings at the orphanage. There is a huge hall now assigned as a pre-school play and learning area for the children, with different sections for learning, art, playtime, pretend play, music and movement etc.

We are currently working on a project plan to procure furniture, storage, toys and learning tools for this space, and anticipate a total cost of around **5 to 6 lakh rupees** to complete the project.

## OUR WISH LIST

- Book shelves and other storage
- Tables
- Chairs
- Learning tools
- Indoor/outdoor play equipment
- Music/Movement aids
- Sports equipment

# What can I do?

We know that many of you are missing spending time with the babies and others have reached out asking how they can help. Here are some ideas:

- **Spread the word:** Let your friends and family know about ABC and see how they can be involved. Please remember not to mention the name of the orphanages.
- **Donate funds:** We can always use more funds for the medical needs of the children and other projects.
- **Donate/Purchase items for the preschool project:** Donate money or items for the wish list given in the previous section. *Please note: old items must be in good condition and cleaned before giving.*
- **Make a video** for the kids (bedtime story, songs, rhymes, dance, yoga, Zumba etc.). The video should preferably not be longer than 5 minutes for the younger audience (0-2 years), and 5-10 minutes for the older children (3-8 years). Feel free to use props.
- **Services:** We are looking for help with website development and maintenance, digital marketing and social media. If you or anyone you know can help, please reach out to us.
- **Medical Services:** We are looking for a part-time speech therapist and consultant child psychologist for one of the orphanages. This can be a paid position. We will need them to visit the orphanage once to more times a week as necessary.

## BIG THANK YOU!

Thank you Glacibel and Jose for the generous donation of CD boomboxes for the orphanage. Even though you left India and ABC years ago, we are honored to still be in your thoughts.

Glacy volunteered with ABC from when we started until they moved out of the country. Jose also volunteered his time and skill as a photographer.



# Runner Updates

Key admissions this quarter:

Baby boy V was admitted with multiple issues including feeding issues and organ failure. He was in hospital for more than a month and required ventilator support. Since his feeding issues were long term, a stomach tube was inserted and he is now making a slow but complete recovery under the expert care of the special needs home.

Little boy D was admitted with respiratory distress and fever. He was on IV medication and is now safely back at the orphanage.

Naughty boy S was rushed to the hospital with something stuck up his nose. The object was safely removed and he was sent back to the orphanage after being observed overnight.

Baby girl V was brought to hospital with complaints of fever and non-stop crying. She however made a quick recovery and is back at the orphanage. Her nutritional intake was reviewed and modified per the doctor's advice.

This pandemic hasn't left us untouched, so far we have had about 60 children and ayahs tested for Covid. Thankfully, most were negative and even the few positive cases had only mild symptoms. The staff/children were isolated as needed.

Meanwhile, we continue to administer Pneumococcal vaccines as per schedule, and have done 30 this quarter.



# Income

## **Donors who gave over Rs. 5000: (July to September 2020):**

- AG Madhu
- AG Sivaprasad
- Gaurav Sharma
- GP Bajpai (via Ritu Shukla)
- Reetika P
- Rekha Rao

## **Donors who gave in kind (Cribs):**

- Andrea (crib and various toys)
- Jaya Pudi
- Jasmine Toley
- Pooja Kapoor
- Reiva Kada
- Suman Jonnada
- Harichandana (clothes)
- Ritu Shukla (clothes)
- Mukesh Sanghi – Member of Rotary Club of Hyderabad Elite (Steel utensils)

## **Our Corporate partners:**

- United Way of Hyderabad

Special Thanks to the continued support of our **Monthly Donors:**

- Shriram Life Insurance Company Limited

## **ABC Board via Monthly Pledges**

- Amita Lulla
- Gita Dasika
- Latika Krepanand
- Madhulika Patibandla Gupta
- Nidhi Agarwal
- Prarthana Reddy
- Radhika Reddy
- T. S. Syamala Subashini

# Expenditure

We spent close to **19 lakhs** from July to September 2020 on:

- Hospitalizations
- Medicines
- Diagnostics
- Vaccinations

We spent close to **3.15 lakhs** for the salaries of the Nurse and Ayahs we have hired at one of the orphanages.

We spent around **2.5 lakhs** on miscellaneous expenses like anti-bacterial soap, masks, gloves, sanitizer, supplements, transport etc.

# Join our Cause!

You can be a volunteer or help us...

- Cuddle babies
- Raise funds
- Coordinate hospitalizations
- Pledge a fixed monthly amount
- Donate towards special projects
- Donate diapers and baby toiletries
- Donate money for the medical needs of the babies we support
- Corporate partnerships (CSR)



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ABC is an entirely volunteer based organization, with all proceeds going directly to support the orphans we work with.

**We are always in need of Volunteers to help with the various requirements. You can make a difference too!**



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