



ABC

*Advocates for Babies in
Crisis Society*

January – March
2020



Newsletter

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In the time of Covid!

At this moment, the world is united over the battle against the dreaded Covid 19 or 2019 novel Corona virus. In our small part of the world we are keeping our babies safe by staying away from them. For some of our regular volunteers, it is like asking a mother not to see her children for a few weeks.

Until the nation-wide lock down, our staff was able to go on a rotation basis, but now they are also unable to go due to a lack of public transport.

However, we are in touch with the orphanage and keeping track of our babies.

We would like to thank United way and our corporate sponsor who has made it possible for us to fully pay our staff in these tough times. Let's hope everything settles soon and we can cuddle our babies again.

#STAYHOME

#STAYSAFE

Help Save Lives!

Happy Anniversary!

ABC turns 7 in April. We decided to celebrate a little earlier before the summer heat and school vacations. Little did we know that we would soon be dealing with a worldwide pandemic and not see each other for a while.

For a few hours on March 4th many of our volunteers and their friends met and celebrated another year of ABC. We are thankful for all our volunteers and other supporters. We honoured a few of our more regular volunteers. All in all, it was a lovely event.



(Top) Anniversary cake, cut by a founding member, and cuddler lead.

(Bottom) The entire lunch bunch

Meet the Board



Standing L->R Nidhi, Amita, Syamala, Latika, Gita
Sitting L->R Madhulika, Prarthana, Radhika

Our Champs

Our Lovely Cuddlers



HASHTAG COMPETITION – EXTENDED!



Win a hamper from ABC if your # is selected!!!*

Hashtag Contest Alert



We are looking for an interesting hashtag to define our work. It will be added used on our social media page and future communication...

*conditions apply

www.abcinhyderabad.org

Rules

1. It should be original and sound like the work done by ABC.
2. Winners will be selected at the discretion of the jury.
3. Winners outside Hyderabad will have to bear courier charges of the prize.
4. Last date of the contest is 30.04.2020
5. Please send the hashtag via email or whatsapp.
6. Winners will be announced on May 15th, 2020.

Thank you for your participation.

Runner Updates

We had **12 hospitalizations** in the last quarter.

Here are some of the major cases this past quarter:

Most admissions this past quarter were children with respiratory issues. Fortunately, almost all only required ward admissions. One child required an ICU admission, but he is doing better.

All the babies were discharged before the full lockdown and are doing okay. We are monitoring them via our nurse at the orphanage.

Follow up dental appointments are continuing at **Capture Life Dental Care**. Around 25 children needed dental work after the camps we conducted in August and September.

We continue to administer the **pneumococcal vaccine**. The vaccine helps reduce the occurrence and/or the intensity of the pneumonia. We also support a special needs home with the vaccine. Children with physical disabilities like CP are more prone to respiratory infections.



Unsung Heroes – Our Nurses Rachel and Susheela



(Rachel is first from the left)

Kudos to our nurses who care for and monitor our babies.

Rachel was going to the orphanage until the full lockdown. She works for ABC full time and keeps track of all the failure to thrive children, as well as children post hospitalization or with any special needs. She continues to check on the babies via the orphanage staff.

Susheela has around 15 years experience working at the orphanage and has also been working for ABC part time for the past 5 years. She takes care of vaccinations etc. She continues to work even through the lockdown and keeps an eye on all our babies.

Income

Donors who gave over Rs. 5000: (January to March 2020):

- Katta Aparna Reddy
- Neeraja C
- Praveena Tipirneni
- Shaily Saraogi

Donors who gave in kind:

- Deepa for Biscuits
- Karen and Ann for diapers
- Smita Rane for Diapers and Cotton
- Srilatha and Srinivas for Diapers

Our Corporate partners:

- United Way of Hyderabad

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

- Shriram Life Insurance Company Limited
- Sarovar Hotels Pvt. Ltd.

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 **over 14 lakhs** from January to March 2020 on:

- Hospitalizations
- Medicines
- Diagnostics
- Vaccinations

We spent close to **3.7 lakhs** for the salaries of the Nurse and Ayahs we have hired at one of the orphanages. (This amount includes their annual bonus).

We spent around **2.3 lakhs** on miscellaneous expenses like diapers, anti-bacterial soap, sterillium, supplements, kettles, 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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