

# 2022

**Annual Report** 



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#### A note from the President

Dear Friends,

Once again, a warm hello and thank you for giving me this opportunity to present to you our fourth Annual Report.

Its sometimes surprises us that we are in our 5<sup>th</sup> year of operations, and it still feels as if we just started. It's been tremendous learning for us as an organization as we bravely navigated the pandemic and still managed to keep our ship sailing high. The smiles and the happiness that we see in our children makes it all look so much worth it!



This year saw 23 of our batch of 2027 take on their first public exam (Grade 10) and they made us all proud. We had a 100% pass rate with over third of them scoring above 80%. It was our litmus test since this was the first batch that has gone through our core program (Astivaaram) that addresses the learning gaps of G8-10 students. Our heartfelt thanks to the students and the wonderful pool of teachers who made this happen.

This year, we also ventured into a scaled version of our program in our two rural centers – Bangalore and Kerala intending to impact around 160+ students. While the Kerala rural center project is a success and we are seeing immense benefits and interest emerging, the one in Bangalore rural did not work as expected. We learnt that a strong leadership support is essential for success. In this case, the college we partnered with was unable to provide a strong support for the program.

Thanks to well-wishers like you, Our Year 4 now supports over **300+ families**. We now operate from 7 locations (covering 10+ communities) in Bangalore and Rural Kerala. We now have 22 staff – all with a unified dream of doing everything possible to support our future leaders with their education.

Now my favorite part – If you haven't noticed it yet – The "sapling" in our cover page from 4 years before has now become a "full tree".

We are hopefully a **Kalpavriksha** now! (a wish-fulfilling divine tree in Indian religions, like Hinduism, Jainism, Buddhism, and Sikhism)

Needless to say, none of this would have been possible without our well-wisher's encouragement and our donor's trust.

With our bigger audacious dream for the future, we once again seek all your well wishes and support in making this dream as much as yours as it is ours! The orbits are shifting! Help us shift more!

Thank you!

With Gratitude and Regards,

**Shekar Hariharan** 

Shekar Hariharan

**Founder and President** 







### **About Shifting Orbits Foundation**

#### What are we trying to do?

We are a nonprofit organization focused on embracing the economically challenged families and providing them a sustained support to continue their children's educational journey.

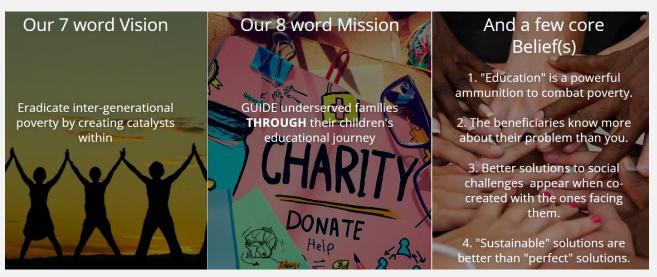
We love to imagine ourselves as the "Uber for the low income family's educational journey"

Like Uber, we **go to their doorsteps**, be with them **through the journey** and drop them **only at their final destination**!

#### Why are we doing this?

We strongly believe education is a life altering tool that can help "defeat" the vicious cycle of inter-generational poverty. However we also learnt that continuing this educational journey is an overwhelming ordeal for the economically challenged families! The "cracks" and the "constraints" surrounding their lives are just too many for them to continue keeping their children's "education" as their priority! That's the issue that bothers us deeply!

#### **Our Vision, Mission and Belief**



Simply put -We are on a mission to do "everything" possible to support low-income families with their children's education



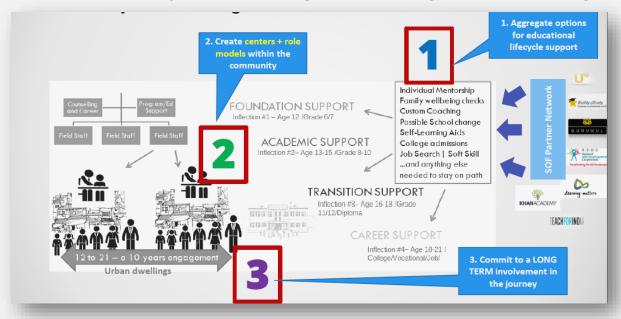




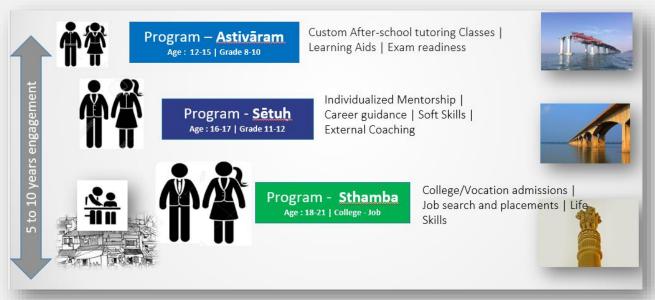
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#### **Our Approach**

We start on the premise that we are ill equipped to understand any problem that we ourselves don't face, no matter how empathetic we may think we are. Also we strongly believe in a long term involvement where we are with the family for anywhere between 5 to 10 years. Once inducted we start a series of **Human Centered Design Iterations** with the family to solve EVERY hurdle that might impair the ability of their child to complete their education. We do this by either connecting them to existing solutions or funding them.



#### Our Core Interventions through the journey of the child



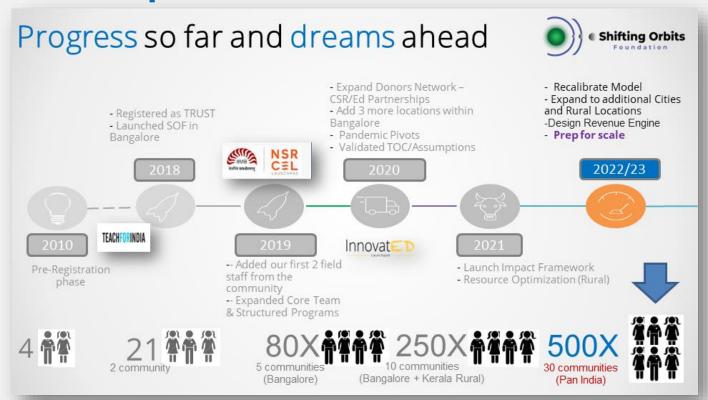


# WHAT DOES A 14 YEAR OLD DO WHEN THE ONLY BREAD-EARNER OF THE FAMILY LOSES THE JOB?

WE ARE ON A MISSION TO MAKE THESE
QUESTIONS OPTIONAL.



#### Our Impact so far and road ahead



We strongly believe **that the only metrics** that matters to us is the "destination" that we dream for each of our cohorts. In fact we call each of our cohorts NOT by the year of them joining us, but the year they will graduate and get their job!

**Our Year 1 journey had 21 families** who had embraced us for helping them in their child's educational journey.

Between Year 2 and 4 - We expanded to 250+ families across 10 locations in Bangalore and Rural Kerala

**Now in Year 5 –** We are looking to impact **500+ families** across **PAN India** while recalibrating our model with our learnings and preparing for scale in the coming years.

Hopefully our "satellite centers" staffed with our own alumni/teachers from the community will soon start playing the role of "force-multipliers" and uplift the 250-200 households in each of the communities we touch!

Our intervention at this point includes taking over full/partial finances of their school expenses, bi-monthly progress check with schools and parents, training and supporting hand-picked tuition teachers/field staff in filling the ed-gaps and lastly mentoring/counselling sessions with both parents and children. We are also constantly in talks with partner organizations on providing other services like Career Awareness, skilling and more that will help families get the best towards educating their child!

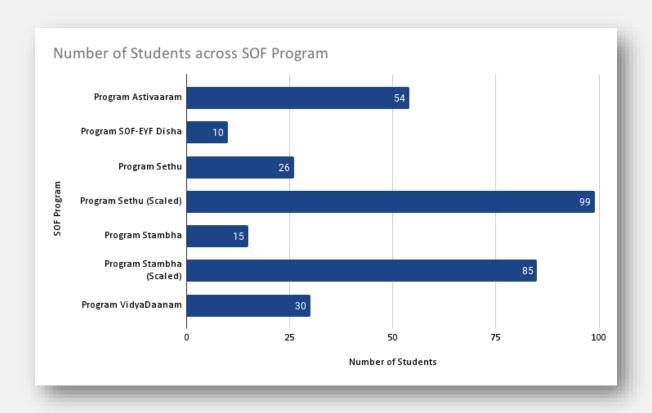






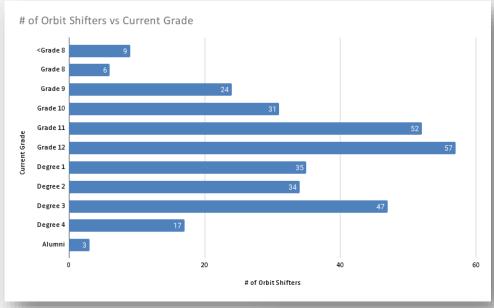
# All about our programs and cohorts

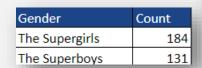
Program Name	Age Group	Program Goals	Program Highlights
Program Astivaaram / Foundation	12 to 14	Cover the Learning Gaps (Academic + Skills + Values)     Provide access to Resources     Resources     Plan the Stream/Career Selection	Tuition Support, Learning Aids, Teacher Support + Value/Skill Add classes
Program Sethu / Bridge	15 to 16	Develop Communication and Personality     Refine the Career Plans for higher studies     Plan and Execute the College Admissions	School/College Fee, Group Mentorship, Career Readiness, Communication
Program Sthamba / Pillar	17 to 21	Develop Personality, Life and Soft Skills     Plan for Job Readiness     Plan the Job Placements and Giving Back	College Fee, College Admissions, Job Readiness, Individualized Mentorships
Program SOF-EYF Disha	15 to 21	Sponsorship of scholar students for PU and above     Constant value addition through corporate mentors and exposure opportunities	EY Foundation runs a program called DISHA to sponsor and assist students with finances as well as through constant guidance. SOF helps nominating our students and helping them secure these scholarships
Program Kutumba Sahayog	15 to 21	Help bread-earners reskill and get back to organized work     Assist the family with ration and medical needs for 3 months     Take over the sponsorship of their children's education	3 month support for families impacted by any pandemic followed by ed sponsorship of promising students from such families
Program Aashraya /Shelter	12 to 21	Ensure that the family impacted by contingencies is able to bounce back     Provide Wage supplement, Child Care and Medical assistance for interim period of turbulence	In view of pandemic and the disruption it creates - This is a program to set aside corpus for any unplanned medical expenses, Wage loss, Child Care in the event that the families we support get impacted
		Ensure that donors have an option of helping their own	This is a ed-sponsorship program for corporates/donors for helping their own housekeeping staffs, drivers and other contractors who have a strong desire to educate their children. The sponsorships are mixed with general public in agreed ratio to cater to a larger section of needy families. SOF takes care of screening/administrating and providing
Program VidyaDaanam	5 to 21	contractors and housekeeping staff.	additional support services

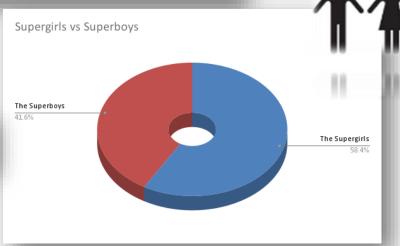


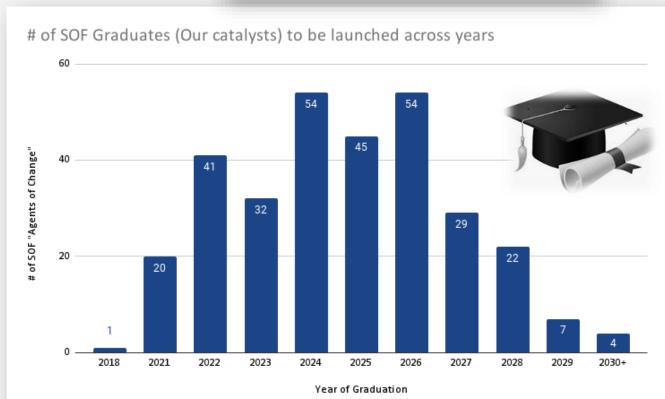


# All about our programs and cohorts









# **Financials – Audited Reports (FY 2021-22)**

#### INCOME & EXPENDITURE A/c FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH, 2022

EXPENDITURE	AMOUNT	INCOME	AMOUNT
То			
Program Expenses:		Donations	58,37,135
Education Fees	24,56,117	Interest income	17,688
Coaching / Mentoring charges - Program S	5,12,235	200000000000000000000000000000000000000	
Learning Aids	3,36,053		
Donation paid	1,45,000		
Infrastructure	1,67,237		
Professional Fees	99,667		
Program Support	6,81,226		
Travel Expense - Program	5,644		
Field Trips/Events	23,292		
Non Program Expenses:			
Other Program Expenses	7,820		
Rent Expense	1,14,000		
Stationery	6,644		
Advertising/Promotional	8,684		
Bank charges	12,393	3.55	
Depreciation Expense	4,440		
Dues and Subscriptions	20,000	\$75	
Legal Charges	12,500	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	
Non Program Support	3,58,600	The state of the s	
Software Expenses	15,859		
Travel Expense - Non Program	22,900		
Excess of income over expenditure	8,44,512		
TOTAL	58,54,823	TOTAL	58,54,823

As per our Report of even date

For Pavan Reddy & Associates

Chartered Accountants Firm Reg, No.:017908S

B Pavan Reddy

Proprietor

Membership No. :211338

Place: Hyderabad

For Shifting Orbits Foundation

Shekar Hariharan

Trustee



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LIABILITIES	AMOUNT	ASSETS	多。	AMOUNT
Corpus Fund	1,001	Fixed Assets	11,100	
Retained Earnings 4,97,347		Less: Depreciation	4,440	6,660
Add: Excess of Income 8,44,512	13,41,859	CAS SCHOOL STATE		24 45 000
over Expenditure		Fixed Deposits	-	36,67,800
	5000000000	Security Deposit		80,000 73,248
Breakfast Services Corpus Fund	3,00,618	TDS Receivables		7,32,259
Contingency Fund	25,000	Bank Balances		1,32,237
Kudumba Sahayog Corpus Fund	27,20,484			
Shishubhavan Corpus Fund	71,710 79,976		7.0	
Provision for expenses TDS Payable	19,319			
TOTAL	45,59,967	-	TOTAL	45,59,967
As per our Report of even date  For Pavan Reddy & Associates Chartered Accountants Firm Reg. No.:0179088  B Pavan Reddy Proprietor Membership No. :211338  Place: Hyderabad	CEPTES	For Shifting Orbits Foun	dation ** A TONO	ORBITS A



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Name And Address of the assessee SHIFTING ORBITS FOUNDATION Villa 144/ Phase 2 Adarsh Palm Meadows Ramagondanahalli Bangalore - 560066 Status Trust Asst. Year 2021-22 PYE 31st March, 2022 Date of Formation 19-11-2018 PAN AAWTS7344D RANGE WARD 1(2)(2), Bangalore COMPUTATION OF TOTAL INCOME PARTICULARS AMOUNT AMOUNT Donations received 58,54,823 Less: 15% of donation received 8,78,223 49,76,600 Application of income 50,10,311 Less: Amount set apart for specific purpose Excess of Income over expenditure Income Tax thereon LESS: TDS 29,760 REFUND DUE 29,760 For Shifting Orbits Foundation Trustee





# Our Management team and the Board

# THE MANAGEMENT TEAM











SHEKAR HARIHARAN

Founder / CEO

RAJESWARI KRISHNAMOORTHY

Founder / Operations

RAJAN THOMAS CHOONDAL

Strategy / Program

VANDANA MUDRADI

Education

SUNITHA VIJAYAN

Careers and Skilling

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SHEKAR HARIHARAN

President



RAJESHWARI KRISHNAMOORTHY

Managing Trustee



SANKARAN KRISHNAN

Treasurer



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# **ADVISORY BOARD**



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Consultant (USA)







#### **Our Donors**

#### **THANKS!**

Our heartfelt thanks to all our donors, who placed such an immense trust on us and contributed to our cause and made it their own! We assure you, the dents are being made in the universe and we will continue shifting the orbits and the destiny of many more as we go along.

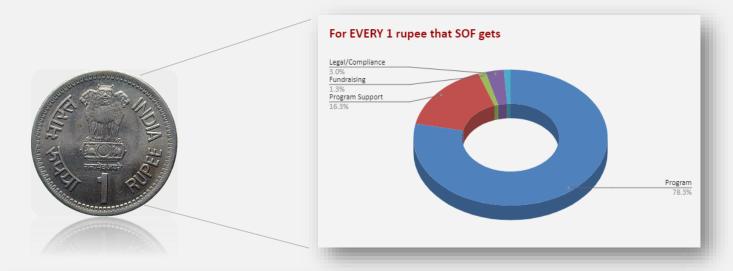
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#### Split of our donor base FY2018 to FY2022

Donor Category	FY2018-2019 FY2019-2020		FY2020-2021		FY2021-2022			
Corporate					Rs.	2,855,704.00	Rs.	8,466,210.0
Foundation/Scholarships					Rs.	3,000.00	Rs.	2,000.00
Individual	Rs.	5,000.00	Rs.	43,200.00	Rs.	85,503.00	Rs.	161,000.00
Individual/HNI	Rs.	26,000.00	Rs.	217,970.00	Rs.	341,993.00	Rs.	724,455.00
Trustees	Rs.	2,000.00	Rs.	93,300.00	Rs.	7,700.00	Rs.	25,785.00
Grand Total	Rs.	33,000.00	Rs.	354,470.00	Rs.	3,293,900.00	Rs. 9	9,379,450.0



#### The story of your contributions



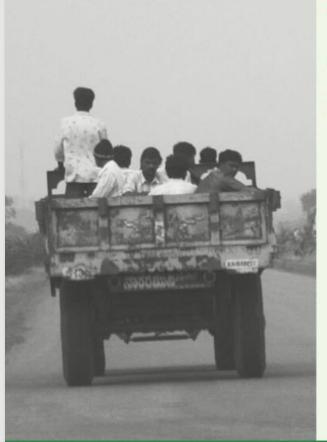
Category	Sub Category	FY2018-2019	FY2019-2020	FY2020-2021	FY2	021-2022
Program	Admin					
	Ed Fees	Rs. 26,000.00	Rs. 256,275.0	Rs. 1,125,589.10	Rs.	2,616,464.44
	EdSupply Support				Rs.	89,866.00
	Field Trips/Events/Gifts			Rs. 2,222.00	Rs.	21,376.00
	Grocery Support				Rs.	325,650.00
	Infrastructure			Rs. 223,329.51	Rs.	176,787.00
	Learning Aids		Rs. 8,364.00	Rs. 159,193.34	Rs.	333,972.20
	Legal and Finance Charges			Rs. 55,550.75	Rs.	80,105.00
	Others			Rs. 97,000.00	Rs.	1,088.00
	Professional Services				Rs.	42,400.00
	Prog Mngmt				Rs.	71,675.00
	Program Support			Rs. 421,315.00	Rs.	586,248.00
	Rentals				Rs.	168,921.29
	Salary (Program Staff)			Rs. 313,905.31	Rs.	562,309.00
	Stationary / Printing		Rs. 250.00		Rs.	5,904.00
	Travel/ Fuel		Rs. 5,778.20	Rs. 5,000.00	Rs.	7,094.00
	Tuition/Coaching Fees		Rs. 17,500.00	Rs. 64,900.00	Rs.	23,500.00
Program Total		Rs.26,000.00	Rs. 288,167.2	Rs. 2,468,005.01	Rs.	5,113,359.93
Non-Program	Admin		Rs. 1,450.00	Rs. 130.00		
	Field Trips/Events/Gifts				Rs.	5,000.00
	Fundraising and Promotions		Rs. 16,420.00	Rs. 13,873.00	Rs.	28,684.00
	Infrastructure			Rs. 1,248.00		
	Legal and Finance Charges		Rs. 22,800.00	Rs. 78,200.00	Rs.	82,338.90
	Others			Rs. 750.00		
	Professional Services			Rs. 198,820.00	Rs.	369,200.00
	Prog Mngmt					
	Rentals			Rs. 45,000.00	Rs.	108,500.00
	Stationary / Printing		Rs. 4,110.00	Rs. 480.00		
	Trainings			Rs. 500.00		
	Travel/ Fuel		Rs. 1,440.00		Rs.	
	Webhosting/ Email /Platform		Rs. 3,723.43			•
Non-Program Total			Rs. 49,943.43			-
Grand Total		Rs.26,000.00	Rs. 338,110.6	Rs. 2,825,972.79	Rs.	5,721,856.04



### Your role in our journey

# 1 in 5

children from low income family may not make it to Grade 10 or higher unless we do something about it!



We are on a mission to eliminate this proportion

#### **HELP US DO MORE**

We want to

- Extend our reach to 600+ families in next 3-5 years
- Force-multiply our impact by adding paid staff from our own alumni and their family members
- Develop a scalable model for open source replication

VISIT US @ WWW.SHIFTINGORBITS.ORG TO SEE HOW YOU CAN DONATE













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