For the differently abled

You are not alone... anymore...

Village of HOPE is a unique residential community dedicated to children and adults who have Down's Syndrome and developmental disabilities. It will provide Help, Opportunities, Participation, and Education (HOPE) to those entrusted to its care.

Village of HOPE is the *dream come true* for several families who have children with intellectual disabilities. These families realized that at some point in the future, they may no longer be able to care for all of the special needs of their growing child. A proactive step was to create a specialized residential community with appropriate support programs.

At the Village of HOPE people who have Down's Syndrome and other developmental disabilities will discover their own values and talents and share these gifts with others. At this friendly, beautiful community, residents will become involved and find opportunities that provide them a new meaning for life.

Set to open up at the outskirts of Chennai in Tamil Nadu in India, the Village of HOPE will be established on over 5 acres of land, carefully landscaped and customized to ensure a self-sufficient and protected environment in which the residents can reach their full potential and lead a respectful life in the company of others who understand and support them. The residents will be valued for their abilities and contributions and shall have friends, and strive toward their life's goals. Established and managed by the Village of HOPE Foundation Charitable and Educational Trust, the community will be non-profitable in nature, and will accept residents of ages ten and above. Admission is granted without regard to race, or religion, and will be based on well-defined admission criteria. Having pioneered the HOPE Qatar educational project for children with special needs in the Middle East, and establishing a network of support channels across the world, the founders are now initiating this unique and pioneering residential community in India, as the answer to many a parent who worry about what would befall their child with special needs beyond the life of the parents.

The Village of HOPE Foundation seeks to allay this fear by providing the solution.

It also seeks to provide the answer to some parents who would like to see their child with special needs studying in a residential program that brings out the best in them.

Currently, a capital campaign has been initiated to raise funds for the purchase of land and the construction of the required buildings. The vision is to build a self-contained village which can eventually accommodate up to 60 individuals with Down's syndrome and mild to moderate developmental disabilities.

The initial capital requirement has been estimated at Indian Rupees 5 Crores (Approx. US\$ 979,000).

As a non-profit project with a charitable objective, the generous support of all well-wishers is solicited to raise this amount.

Please join us in our endeavor by contributing wholeheartedly to our fund raising initiative. Details of payment option are available overleaf.

Our Programs

Residential:

In a family like atmosphere in comfortable and well-kept homes, households of five to ten people share experiences and responsibilities under the careful and watchful eyes of house mothers and resident aides for each home.

Educational:

The Village of HOPE School will provide children and youth the skills they need to grow into independent adults. The academic programs will focus on the individual needs of each of the student to ensure they reach their full potential. Apart from the residential students, the school will also extend its services to day scholars.

Vocational:

Adult residents attend vocational/ educational programs which will enable their integration into employment as well as lifelong earnings and self-reliance.

Recreational:

Supervised recreational activities allow the residents to experience the arts, trips, and sports events so that they remain mentally sharp, physically active, and socially engaged throughout the programs.

Health:

The residents of the Village of HOPE will have access to a complete array of health services. All residents will be individually monitored and contribute to their health through diet and exercise. Apart from in-house medical staff, the residents will also have access to specialty healthcare in external hospitals.

How you can help

Donation of Assets:

- Cash (this is a priority at this stage)
- Appreciated stocks, bonds, or mutual funds, Life insurance proceeds
- Real estate (land and buildings)
- Business interests

Donation of items:

- Donation of vehicles
- Donation of furniture for the residences and the buildings
- Donation of kitchen equipment, laundry equipment, fire and safety equipment

Donation of services:

- Design, architectural, and engineering services
- Construction services
- Landscaping services
- Building and facilities maintenance services
- Plumbing, Electrical, vehicle maintenance, delivery services, cleaning services among others
- Accounting, financial, human resources, and similar services
- Medical services including doctors and nurses

Payment options:

Cheques in favour of :

Village of HOPE

Other options including online transfers will be added soon



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