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Good Change for the World

 **Good Neighbors**
Global Foundation of GoodNeighbors

Message from our Country Director

As I pause to reflect on our journey, I'm filled with immense gratitude—for our sponsors, esteemed leaders, the Global Partnership Center, West Asia Regional Coordinator and our dedicated partners who have stood by us every step of the way.

Now, more than 15 years since we began the Good Neighbors movement in India, this message feels especially meaningful. It is not just a summary of our work, but a celebration of the lives we've touched, the communities we've empowered, and the future we are building together.



Most importantly, this moment marks the beginning of a renewed chapter for Good Neighbors in India—one that is deeply rooted in local ownership, purpose, and long-term impact. As we move forward, we carry with us the lessons of the past and a stronger, more meaningful commitment to serving communities across the country.

Your compassion has truly brought light into the lives of thousands of children and families across India and for that, we extend our heartfelt thanks.

Since our journey began in 2009, Good Neighbors has remained steadfast in its mission to create a world without poverty, where people live with dignity and hope. In India, this mission has taken root and flourished. Through six Community Development Projects, we have directly supported 5,125 sponsored children and over a hundred thousand lives uplifting not only the children but also their families and communities.

Our work began in the southern part of India from Karnataka, Tamil Nadu, Andhra Pradesh and has now grown into central regions, including Delhi NCR. As we look ahead, we are eager to expand our reach and impact in the years to come.

Over the years, sponsored children have received comprehensive support including education, health care, counselling, and career guidance. Community development efforts have improved local infrastructure and livelihoods. Many children have grown into self-reliant adults through vocational training and capacity-building programs.

We are now entering a new and exciting chapter. India's giving landscape is undergoing a powerful transformation. With a \$2.7 billion individual giving market, a \$3.37 billion CSR sector, and 5.4% per capita income growth, the country now stands among the top four global economies. Ranked 26th in the World Giving Index—up from 82nd in 2017—India also ranks in the top 10 globally for volunteering, with 41% of people actively engaged in community service. This rising culture of generosity forms a strong foundation for sustainable, locally led development.

In 2023, we proudly secured local registration, laying the groundwork for a more self-reliant and impactful Good Neighbors movement in India. We now embark on the second chapter of our journey—one built on community ownership, local leadership, and expanded reach.

To all our donors, sponsors, and partners : thank you. Thank you for believing in a better world. Thank you for standing with us as we strive to make "Good Change for the World" a reality in every child's life.

With humility and hope,



Sandip Gupta
Country Director

WHO WE ARE



Global Foundation of Good Neighbors (GFGN) is a registered Local Non-Governmental Organization (LNGO) established under Section 8 of the Companies Act, 2013, and head office in New Delhi, India. Operating as an independent entity, GFGN aligns with the global development vision of Good Neighbors International (GNI), a global humanitarian organization founded in 1991 that operates in over 50 countries to build a world free from hunger, where people live together in harmony.

Inspired by the Good Neighbors Movement, GFGN brings this global approach to development into the Indian context, with a strong commitment to serving and supporting vulnerable and marginalized communities regardless of race, religion, or nationality. The organization upholds core values of human rights protection, social inclusion, and the promotion of self-reliance.

As part of the broader Good Neighbors Movement, GFGN contributes to a global network of organizations united by shared values, mutual accountability, and a collective commitment to social justice. By localizing the movement's principles, GFGN bridges global best practices with local realities, ensuring that its work in India is informed by both community needs and global learning. This connection amplifies impact and fosters innovation through collaboration across borders.

GFGN's work is grounded in community-led, sustainable development, actively engaging with local communities through initiatives in education, healthcare, vocational training, and economic empowerment. By working in close partnership with communities, GFGN empowers individuals and families to create lasting, positive change and build resilient, self-sustaining futures.

2024

AT A GLANCE

982

sponsored children



1,480

participants in education
& protection activities



1,741

participants in
health activities



1,200+

people received clean
and reliable water access



WE ARE GOOD NEIGHBORS

MISSION

Inspired by Good Neighbors International (GNI), Global Foundation of Good Neighbors (GFGN) embraces the mission to make the world a place without hunger, where people live together in harmony.

GFGN respects the human rights of those suffering from poverty, disasters, and oppression, helping them achieve self-reliance and rebuild hope.

VISION

GFGN envisions a global community where sustainable development and mutual respect empower individuals and families to thrive.

CORE VALUES



Professionalism



Transparency



Sustainability

GFGN, guided by the principles of the Good Neighbors Movement, upholds a strong commitment to inclusivity, ensuring that support reaches all individuals regardless of race, religion, ethnicity, or background. The organization prioritizes child rights, placing the well

being, safety, and protection of children at the center of its programs. It believes in meaningful community engagement, empowering local communities and volunteers to lead their own development processes. GFGN promotes global citizenship by fostering mutual respect, intercultural understanding, and a sense of social responsibility. The organization champions self-reliance, supporting individuals and families to build sustainable, dignified lives through empowerment and skill development. Transparency and professionalism are fundamental to all its operations, ensuring integrity and accountability. Finally, GFGN values collaboration, working closely with diverse partners and stakeholders to drive inclusive, impactful, and lasting change.

Good Neighbors in India

Since its inception in 2009, Good Neighbors India has been dedicated to empowering communities through sustainable development initiatives. The organization began its mission in Karnataka in collaboration with a society registered under the 1960 KSR Act. Between 2009 and 2022, it implemented impactful projects across various sectors, including education, health, WASH, income generation, vocational training, rights advocacy, child sponsorship, and community development. Each year, approximately 31,323 community members benefitted from its programs.

With a strong presence in Karnataka, Tamil Nadu, and Andhra Pradesh, Good Neighbors India continues to enhance education, healthcare, vocational training, and community empowerment creating opportunities for children and families to thrive. By promoting self-reliance and social inclusion, the organization collaborates closely with local communities to drive meaningful change. Through strategic partnerships and grassroots engagement, Good Neighbors India implements programs aligned with global development goals, building a brighter and more equitable future for vulnerable populations.



Global Foundation of Good Neighbors (GFGN) – A Renewed Commitment to India

The Global Foundation of Good Neighbors (GFGN) represents a revitalized commitment to sustainable and inclusive development in India. Established in New Delhi as a Local Non-Governmental Organization (LNGO) under Section 8 of the Companies Act, 2013, GFGN operates as an independent entity while upholding the global development vision of Good Neighbors International. Its mission is to uplift marginalized communities by addressing critical social challenges through rights-based, community-driven, and sustainable approaches.

The Child Sponsorship Program is at the core of GFGN's mission in India, serving as a foundational platform ensuring access to education, healthcare, nutrition, and child protection, the program empowers children from marginalized communities to grow in safe and supportive environments, laying the groundwork for long-term, sustainable change.

GFGN advances a holistic community development model, focusing on education, health, livelihoods, and child rights, while fostering collaboration with government agencies, corporate donors, and grassroots organizations. These partnerships enhance the reach, impact, and sustainability of its programs, driving long-term, systemic transformation.

Guided by the principles of inclusivity, transparency, local ownership, and sustainability, GFGN's initiatives align with India's national priorities and contribute meaningfully to the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). By placing communities at the center of its work, GFGN is building a just, empowered, and resilient society paving the way for a future where every individual has the opportunity to thrive.

The Global Foundation of Good Neighbors (GFGN) office has been established in Greater Kailash-1, New Delhi, India, registered as a Local Non-Governmental Organization (LNGO) under Section 8 of the Companies Act, 2013.



Programmatic priorities of GFGN in India

As a child rights organization rooted in the principles of the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC), Good Neighbors International places child rights and protection at the core of its mission, a commitment fully carried forward by GFGN in India. GFGN's programmatic priorities, identified through its own assessments and aligned with national development goals, include Child Rights, Education, Health and WASH, and Environment, with child protection considerations integrated across all initiatives to ensure safe, inclusive, and empowering environments for every child.

GFGN's Program in 2024

Sponsorship services

In 2024, the Global Foundation of Good Neighbors (GFGN) continued its unwavering commitment to creating a better world for children through its Child Sponsorship Program. This program systematically addresses the holistic well-being of sponsored children, ensuring they have access to essential services and opportunities. Support provided includes school supplies, uniforms, annual health check-ups, home visits, and personalized counseling services.

Beyond individual support, GFGN adopts a Child-Centered Community Development (CCCD) approach placing the rights and needs of children at the core of broader community development efforts. This strategy fosters sustainable, inclusive growth that benefits both children and their communities. In 2024, the program directly served 982 sponsored children, helping them thrive in safe, supportive, and empowering environments.

704

sponsored children sent personalized letters to their sponsors

223

children who graduated from GFGN's sponsorship services

629

sponsors received individualized progress reports

84

children participated in the GML initiative

Annual Child Letter (ACL)

The Annual Child Letter (ACL) serves as a meaningful bridge between sponsored children and their sponsors, fostering a personal and emotional connection. Through these letters, children share their thoughts, feelings, and appreciation often accompanied by drawings and heartfelt handwritten messages that reflect their growth and gratitude.

In 2024, **704** sponsored children sent personalized letters to their sponsors, strengthening this vital relationship. Additionally, **223** children who graduated from GFGN's sponsorship services expressed their appreciation through letters and video messages, sharing reflections on their journey and what they aspire to do in the future.

Annual Child Progress Report (APR)

The Annual Child Progress Report (APR) provides sponsors with a comprehensive yearly update on the development and well-being of the child they support. These reports offer insights into each child's educational progress, health status, and personal growth, serving as a powerful tool for fostering a deeper, more meaningful connection between sponsors and children.



In 2024, **629** sponsors received individualized progress reports, highlighting both achievements and challenges faced by male and female sponsored children. This initiative not only strengthens the emotional bond between sponsors and children but also reinforces the lasting impact of sustained support.

Gift Money & Letters (GML)

Gift Money & Letters (GML) offer a heartfelt way for sponsors to connect more personally with their sponsored children. Gift Money is sent directly without deductions to support children on special occasions such as birthdays and holidays, ensuring they feel celebrated and valued. Alongside this, letters exchanged between sponsors and children, including greetings, updates, and words of encouragement, help build trust, emotional connection, and mutual understanding.

In 2024, 84 children participated in the GML initiative, receiving both tangible support and emotional encouragement from their sponsors. Together, these gestures address not only the material needs of children but also nurture long-lasting and impactful relationships.



Child Rights and Education

Good Neighbors is committed to ensuring that every child has access to quality education, especially in underserved communities. One of the key barriers to continued learning is the lack of basic school supplies often leading to absenteeism and dropouts. To address this, we provided essential educational materials to help children stay engaged and motivated in their studies.

In 2024, **872** children received school bags, notebooks, pens, umbrellas, and tiffin boxes, easing the financial burden on families and creating a more supportive learning environment. This initiative is part of our broader strategy, which includes teacher training, the introduction of digital and smart classrooms, and infrastructure improvements, all aimed at making education more inclusive, equitable, and impactful.

Parental Education

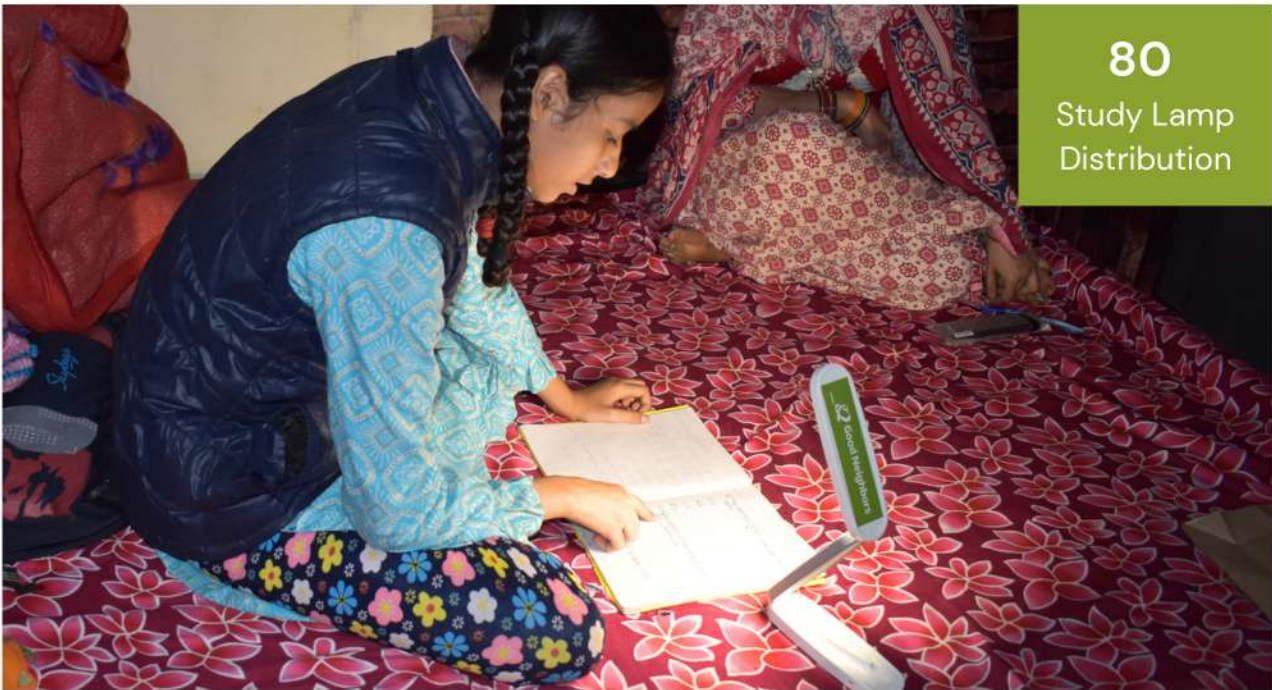
In partnership with EFICOR, Good Neighbors India successfully conducted 9 Parental Education Program events across Rayachoti, Bandipur, Madumalai, Sarjapur, Tumkur, and Chikkajala in Andhra Pradesh, Tamil Nadu, and Karnataka.

These programs emphasized the vital role parents play in supporting their children's education by fostering positive and nurturing learning environments at home. By engaging parents and caregivers, the initiative aimed to boost student attendance, motivation, and academic success.

A total of 575 participants—including local government representatives, teachers, parents, community leaders, security personnel, and health workers—joined hands to strengthen community involvement and promote education as a shared responsibility.



Light the Way for Education



By distributing study lamps to 80 children, we helped overcome the challenges posed by unreliable electricity, enabling students to study effectively after dark. This support not only brightens their immediate learning environment but also inspires hope and confidence, empowering these young minds to pursue a brighter future

Health and WASH



Good Neighbors enhances community health and well-being through integrated Health and WASH interventions. In rural areas, it strengthens health facilities with medical equipment and training, while in urban slums like Delhi, it conducts awareness sessions and provides services. In the WASH sector, the organization ensures access to clean water and sanitation by constructing and renovating facilities, promoting hygiene education, and distributing hygiene kits to support sustainable, healthy practices and long-term community resilience.

Health Camps for Sponsored and Non-Sponsored Children

In 2024, Good Neighbors organized its annual General Health Camps across six Child Development Projects (CDPs) located in Rayachoti (Andhra Pradesh), Bandipur, Madumalai, Sarjapur, Tumkur, and Chikkajala (Karnataka and Tamil Nadu). The camps served a total of 814 children both sponsored and non-sponsored along with 42 parents and 17 teachers.

The initiative aimed to assess the overall health status of children and raise awareness on essential health and hygiene practices. Common health issues identified included respiratory infections, digestive problems, and skin conditions. These health camps are instrumental in early detection, timely intervention, and health education, contributing to the well-being of children and their families while fostering healthier, more informed communities.



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Hand Wash & Hygiene Awareness Programs

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Good Neighbors India, in partnership with EFICOR, successfully conducted 17 Hand Wash & Hygiene Awareness Programs across Rayachoti, Bandipur, Madumalai, Sarjapur, Tumkur, and Chikkajala in Andhra Pradesh, Tamil Nadu, and Karnataka.

These sessions emphasized proper handwashing techniques and promoted good hygiene practices, empowering community members to protect their health and prevent illness. A total of 1,741 participants including local leaders, teachers, parents, police officers, and health workers actively engaged in spreading vital hygiene awareness throughout their communities.



GFGN implemented activities

GFGN conducted impactful sessions through the Swachh Aadat and Bloom Bright programs, promoting handwashing, waste disposal, safe water consumption, and sustainable sanitation. Through interactive activities and storytelling, 685 participants, including children, became change agents, inspiring healthier habits in their families and communities. The ripple effect of these initiatives has led to cleaner neighborhoods, healthier lives, and empowered individuals. These programs demonstrate the transformative power of community-driven health and WASH efforts, strengthening our commitment to sustainable change and universal access to health and hygiene.



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Health & Safety Awareness program on Malaria & Dengue

To combat the growing risks of vector-borne diseases, Good Neighbors organized a Health and Safety Awareness Program focused on Malaria and Dengue across the urban slum areas of Jahangirpuri, Seemapuri, Uttam Nagar, and Rangpuri Pahari in Delhi. The initiative aimed to equip families with essential knowledge on disease prevention, emphasizing the use of mosquito nets and maintaining clean surroundings. As a key component of the program, 80 families were provided with mosquito nets to help reduce exposure and transmission. This effort not only addressed immediate health risks but also encouraged long-term community action for a safer, healthier environment.



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Free Eye Camp: Transforming Lives with Clear Vision



28 students underwent detailed eye examinations

In collaboration with Bharti Eye Hospital, Good Neighbors organized a free eye camp at SVBP School in New Delhi to address vision-related challenges among schoolchildren. A total of 289 students underwent detailed eye examinations, with 23 identified for further specialized treatment. This initiative highlighted the critical link between eye health and academic performance, ensuring that children receive the support they need to thrive in school. By promoting early detection and access to care, the program demonstrated how targeted health interventions can positively impact learning and overall well-being.

289

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50,000 L

overhead water tank

1,200

residents

Overhead Water Tank for Rayachoty Community

Good Neighbors India, in collaboration with EFICOR, successfully inaugurated a **50,000-litre** overhead water tank in Rayachoty, Andhra Pradesh bringing clean and reliable water access to over **1,200** residents. This initiative marks a significant step toward alleviating chronic water scarcity, improving both daily life and agricultural productivity in the area.



The project was implemented with strong community participation, including consultations, capacity-building workshops, and training for local youth to manage the system. In addition to infrastructure, awareness campaigns on water conservation and hygiene were launched to foster long-term sustainability.

The inauguration event attended by government officials, local leaders, and residents concluded with the first symbolic flow of water and a cultural program that celebrated the community's resilience and partnership. This model of community-led water management is now set to be replicated in other water-stressed regions as part of Good Neighbors' broader commitment to integrated rural development.

Environment and Climate resilience

A Cleaner Future Program – Smart Sort for a Cleaner Community

Launched on 24th October 2024 in Mangalpuri, Delhi, the "A Cleaner Future" initiative by the Global Foundation of Good Neighbors (GFGN) aimed to teach communities to smartly sort waste and adopt better disposal habits. By distributing dustbins to 100 families, the program promoted recycling, proper waste segregation, and sustainable practices contributing to a healthier environment and greater community awareness on responsible waste management.



Heatwave Resilience Initiative – Spreading Relief Across Delhi

To protect vulnerable communities from extreme heat, the Global Foundation of Good Neighbors launched the Heatwave Resilience Initiative across high-risk areas of Delhi, including Taimur Nagar, AIIMS & Safdarjung Hospital, Temun Nagar, Kali Basti, Hastsal Village, and New Swarup Nagar. The program distributed oral rehydration solutions (ORS) and umbrellas, helping combat dehydration and provide sun protection. In addition to immediate relief, the initiative also promoted awareness around hydration and sun safety, reducing the risk of heat-related illnesses and strengthening community preparedness for climate-related challenges.

Livelihood/Skill development

Tailoring Training and Sewing Machine Distribution – Empowering Women in Rayachoti



As part of the Vocational Education and Income Generation Program, Good Neighbors provided sewing machines to 25 women who successfully completed tailoring training in the Rayachoti Community Development Project (CDP). This initiative empowers women with the skills and tools needed to start their own tailoring businesses, enabling sustainable income generation and economic self-reliance. Beyond individual growth, the program contributes to the broader economic development of the community, fostering dignity, confidence, and financial resilience among women and their families.



Local Fundraising – Building Visibility and Community Support

Local fundraising continues to be a vital pillar in strengthening the sustainability and community ownership of Good Neighbors' work in India. These efforts are designed to raise the visibility of GFGN, mobilize local resources, and build strong relationships with individual and institutional supporters. Fundraising events serve as platforms to showcase our mission, impact, and commitment to child-focused and community-driven development.

Through active community engagement, GFGN promotes a culture of giving and shared responsibility, encouraging people from all walks of life to contribute meaningfully. The goal is not only to raise funds but also to build a supportive network that believes in empowering children and transforming underserved communities. These locally-driven initiatives are essential to ensuring long-term impact and deepening local partnerships.

Local Fundraising Events in Delhi – Strengthening Community Connections

KoINDEX 2024, New Delhi

GFGN made a strong official debut among leading Korean businesses at this prestigious event. Thanks to the generous support of KINTEX and MESSE ESANG, who waived the \$3,500 stall fee, GFGN was able to distribute over 1,000 pamphlets and 350 brochures. This outreach effort led to 60 new volunteer sign-ups and significantly boosted visibility for the organization's programs.



"Be the Light" Outreach Campaign at Green Park S Block Market

Held in a bustling commercial hub, this campaign successfully attracted donations from five individuals and sparked interest among many more who wanted to learn about or support GFGN's mission. The campaign also highlighted GFGN's presence on the Milaap fundraising platform, enhancing opportunities for broader community participation. These initiatives demonstrate GFGN's commitment to building strong community ties and fostering a culture of local giving to sustain and expand its developmental work.



Learning from the fundraising events

The fundraising events served as valuable platforms to introduce the Global Foundation of Good Neighbors (GFGN) to new individuals and communities. These initiatives significantly enhanced awareness about our mission and ongoing child welfare programs, helping the public better understand our work and impact. As a result, GFGN's visibility within the neighborhood increased, laying the groundwork for potential future collaborations and long-term community support.

Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR)

A Strategic Avenue for GFGN

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Partnership and alliance building

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Collaboration with EFICOR for Program Implementation

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Partnership Agreement with Chungcheongnam-do Economic Promotion Agency

In 2024, a key milestone was reached with the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between the Global Foundation of Good Neighbors (GFGN) and the Chungcheongnam-do Economic Promotion Agency (CEPA). This partnership aims to advance joint environmental and social initiatives while strengthening ties with CEPA's affiliated companies, supporting GFGN's mission to serve vulnerable communities through meaningful collaboration.

The agreement formalizes the partnership to explore fundraising opportunities, secure financial support, promote the sustainability of GFGN, and facilitate cooperation with CEPA's network of affiliated companies.



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This agreement formalizes the partnership between the Global Foundation of Good Neighbors (GFGN) and GBC Bengaluru, focusing on exploring fundraising opportunities and securing financial support to promote the sustainability of GFGN. The partnership also aims to facilitate collaboration with GBC’s affiliated companies.



The scope of the partnership includes:

- Supporting the introduction of GFGN to GBC’s affiliated companies, including private sector partners and subsidiaries.
- Assisting GFGN in securing funds by facilitating introductions, providing guidance, and offering advice through GBC’s network of affiliated companies.

Memorandum of Understanding with Bharti Eye Charity Trust



This partnership aims to conduct 30 free myopia screening camps for children in schools from grades 3 to 10 by March 2025, reaching approximately 200 children per camp. Bharti Eye Charity Trust (BECT) will be responsible for obtaining necessary government approvals, organizing and managing camp logistics, conducting eye screenings, providing spectacles to children in need, and collaborating on fundraising through crowdfunding initiatives. The Global Foundation of Good Neighbors (GFGN) will support this effort by contributing INR 10,000 per camp and actively partnering with BECT to drive crowdfunding campaigns to secure additional financial resources. Together, the collaboration seeks to improve eye health among school children, reduce the burden of myopia, and ensure sustainable access to vision care services.

Advocacy

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Purpose of Advocacy at GFGN

1. **Raise Awareness:** GFGN conducts awareness campaigns to educate the public, policymakers, and other stakeholders on issues affecting vulnerable communities, especially children and women.

2. **Influence Policy:** The organization works to influence local, national, and international policies to ensure marginalized populations have better access to services and protection.

3. **Promote Rights-Based Approaches:** GFGN uses advocacy to promote the realization of human rights, child rights and protection.

4. **Amplify Community Voices:** Advocacy efforts are often grounded in participatory approaches where community members, especially children and youth, are empowered to speak up for their rights.



Advocacy priorities

Our advocacy efforts in 2024 concentrated on the following key themes:

GNGF actively advocated for the protection and promotion of children's rights, focusing on preventing abuse and supporting community-based child protection systems. It championed inclusive and climate-resilient education as a means to break the cycle of poverty, emphasizing both access and sustainability in learning environments. In health and WASH, GNGF promoted increased investment in quality services for underserved communities, aiming to improve the well-being of children and families. Additionally, GNGF highlighted the unequal effects of climate change on vulnerable groups, advocating for community-driven adaptation strategies that prioritize climate justice and child welfare.

Community Engagement

Empowering local communities to identify challenges and participate in advocacy activities that directly affect their lives.

Partnership Building

Working alongside civil society organizations, government agencies, and international partners to amplify our shared messages.

Public Awareness Campaigns

Conducting targeted campaigns to inform and mobilize the public on issues such as child rights, gender-based violence, and the importance of education.
Policy Dialogue



Participating in roundtable discussions, forums, and consultations to contribute to more inclusive and rights-based policies.

In 2024, the Global Foundation of Good Neighbors initiated its advocacy efforts, marking a significant step toward integrating rights-based, community-driven advocacy into its development and humanitarian programming. GFGN began engaging communities and stakeholders to raise awareness and promote access to services across key areas such as child protection, education, health, WASH, and climate resilience. Emphasizing evidence-based advocacy, GFGN worked to establish systems for systematically collecting and using community-level data to inform its messaging and influence. We believe that informed communities are empowered communities, and throughout the year, we laid the groundwork to ensure that advocacy becomes a core function supporting beneficiaries to understand and claim their rights, access essential services, and participate meaningfully in shaping their own futures.

Impact Stories

Mounika's Journey to Better Health Through General Health Camp

42

Parents

814

Children

17

Teachers

Participation in General Health Camp

Mounika Nagaiah, a spirited young girl sponsored by Good Neighbors since 2013, has long been an integral part of our community initiatives. However, during the recent General Health Camp 2024, an alarming health concern emerged during her health check-up: Mounika was identified as underweight and suffering from malnutrition.

The General Health Camp, conducted annually by Good Neighbors, witnessed the participation of 42 parents, 814 children, and 17 teachers this year. The camp aimed to assess the health status of community members and raise awareness about health and hygiene. While common illnesses such as respiratory infections, digestive issues, and skin conditions were among the general findings, Mounika's case stood out due to her critical nutritional deficiencies.

Recognizing the urgency of intervention, Good Neighbors initiated a tailored 7-month nutritional support plan for Mounika. As part of the immediate response, the organization provided her family with a package of nutritional food items, including protein-rich grams, eggs, multi-beans, and a specially prepared mixed powder supplement. Monthly health check-ups have also been scheduled to monitor her progress and ensure a steady improvement in her health.



Mounika's family has faced significant challenges due to their financial struggles. Her father, a diabetic patient, is unable to work due to chronic health issues, leaving the family dependent on her mother's income as a daily wage laborer. With an income ranging from ₹6,000 to ₹8,000 per month, they struggle to meet basic needs, including food, healthcare, and education. This has exacerbated Mounika's health condition, making external support all the more crucial.

The nutritional aid brought immense relief to the family, who expressed their heartfelt gratitude to Good Neighbors. Mounika's mother shared, "This support has brought hope to our family. We can see a brighter future for Mounika, thanks to Good Neighbors."

Good Neighbors has been at the forefront of promoting community health and well-being through initiatives like the General Health Camp and regular health and WASH (Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene) awareness programs. These efforts aim to create lasting impacts in the lives of children and families in need.

Transforming Lives Through Tailoring: The Impact of Good Neighbors' Support Program



The Tailoring Training and Sewing Machine Support Program by Good Neighbors India aimed to empower women from underprivileged backgrounds by equipping them with practical skills to uplift their lifestyles and foster self-reliance. This three-month program provided training in stitching and basic designing, focusing on skills commonly required in the community.

The initiative not only transformed the lives of 25 women but also brought significant benefits to the larger community. Before the program, residents often had to travel 3 to 10 kilometers to access tailoring services. With these women now offering affordable tailoring locally, the program has enhanced convenience and accessibility for the community.

Despite facing challenges such as resource limitations and a lack of local vendors to supply training equipment, Good Neighbors successfully implemented this program by innovatively sourcing solutions. These efforts underscore the organization's dedication to overcoming obstacles and creating impactful change.

While this program has concluded, Good Neighbors is committed to continuing "Empowering People, Transforming Communities" through future initiatives tailored to community needs.

Below are three inspiring success stories from beneficiaries who have transformed their lives through this program.

Tanuku Nagamani: From Sponsored Child to Skilled Tailor

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"I am incredibly grateful to Good Neighbors for their support throughout my journey. I have been able to learn valuable skills and start my own small business. This has not only allowed me to support my family but also to contribute to my community. Thank you, Good Neighbors, for making a difference in my life and the lives of many others."

Abavaram Shirisha: From Unemployment to Financial Independence

Abavaram Shirisha, a resident of Pediveedu village in Rayachoti, faced unemployment despite holding a degree. As a mother of two, she struggled to provide for her family. Recognizing her potential, Good Neighbors connected her with a Skill Hub Center, where she underwent three months of intensive tailoring training.

To support her further, Good Neighbors provided her with a sewing machine. Today, Shirisha earns between INR 700 and 1,000 daily, covering household expenses and securing her children's education.



"I am deeply grateful to Good Neighbors for their support. During my difficult times, they truly lived up to their name by helping me when I needed it most. Now, I feel happy and more confident with my family. I am planning to buy a new sewing machine to expand my designs and grow my small shop. I hope Good Neighbors will continue to support me in this next step as well."

Ms. Lakshmidēvi: Building a Boutique and a Better Future



Ms. Lakshmidēvi, a housewife with two sons, faced financial hardships as her husband's income as a rickshaw driver was insufficient to meet their needs. She enrolled in sewing classes offered by the Andhra Pradesh State-run Skill Development Corporation.

Good Neighbors, in collaboration with the state-run center, provided her with a sewing machine and additional support. Today, she operates a successful home-based boutique, earning an average of INR 1,000 daily. This financial stability has greatly improved her family's living conditions.

"I am very thankful to Good Neighbors for their support. With their help, I have been able to establish my boutique and improve my family's financial stability. This has been a life-changing experience, and I am proud to contribute to my family's future."

Financial Overview

As a non-profit organization, Good Neighbors Bangladesh is committed to financial transparency and accountability.

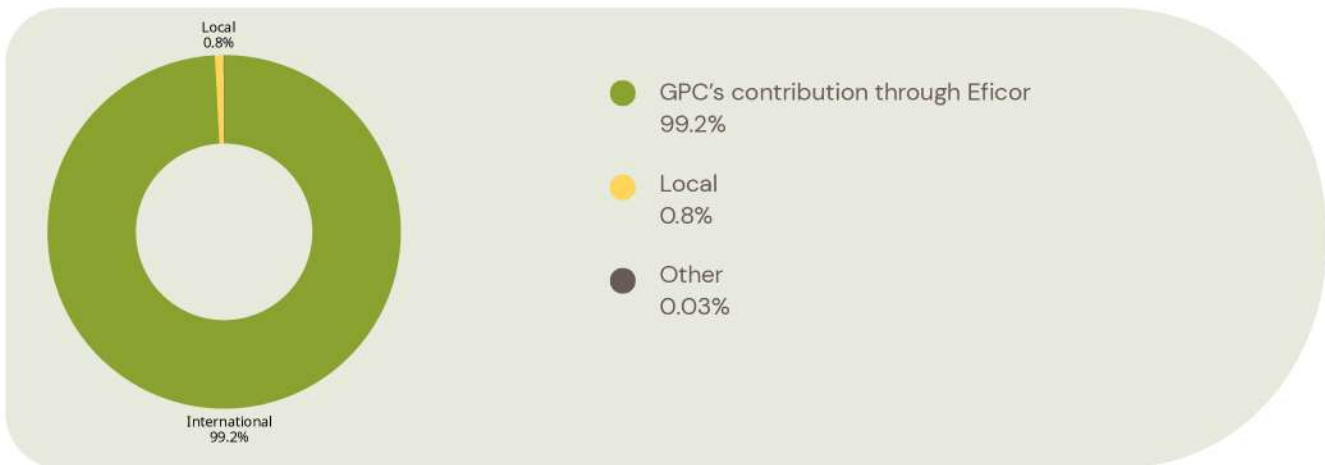
- We use publicly reliable accounting standards, that comply with national laws and regulations
- We conduct external audits every year
- We organize regularly capacity building training for financial management



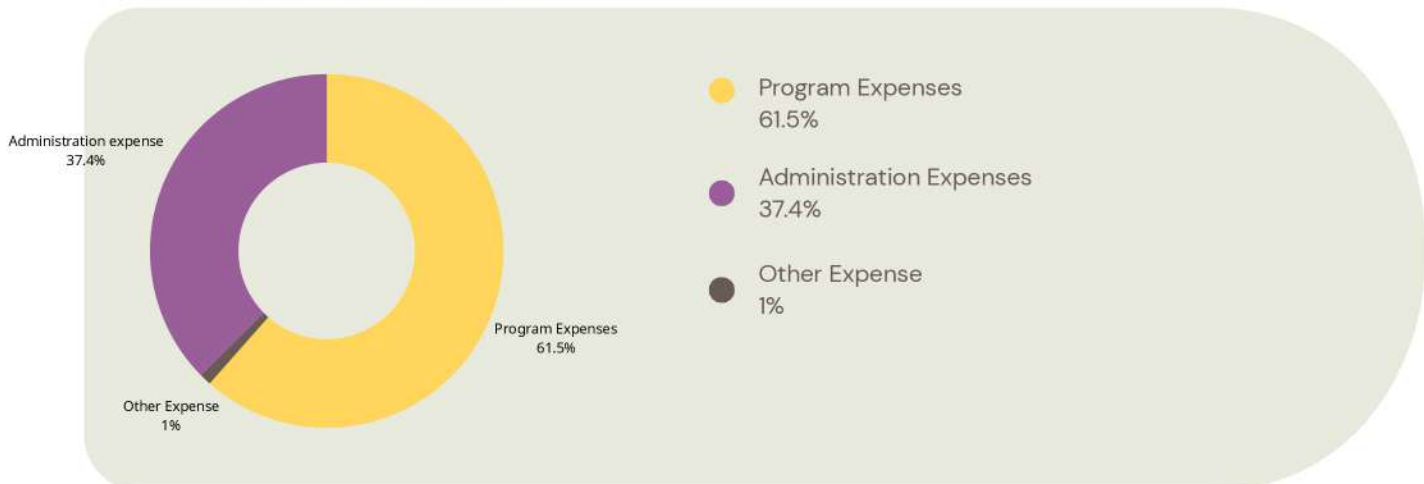
Income & Expenditure

The foreign funding and local contribution for 2024 was **Rs. 12,733,135.40** and total expense was **Rs. 12,645,284.58**

Income Sources



Expenditure by activities



Partners

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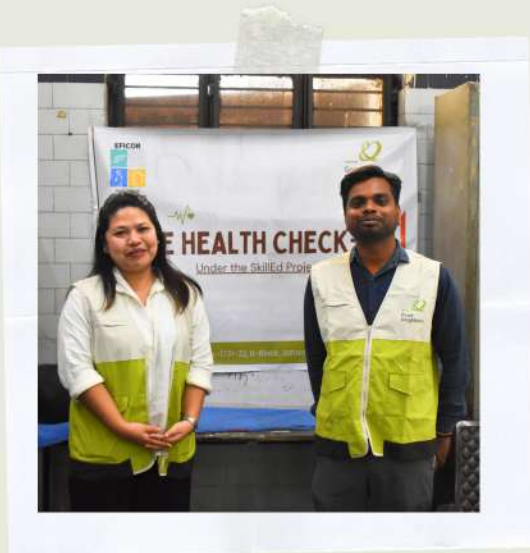


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