



Project Report

IND-YMI-SBS-P03 Indore, India
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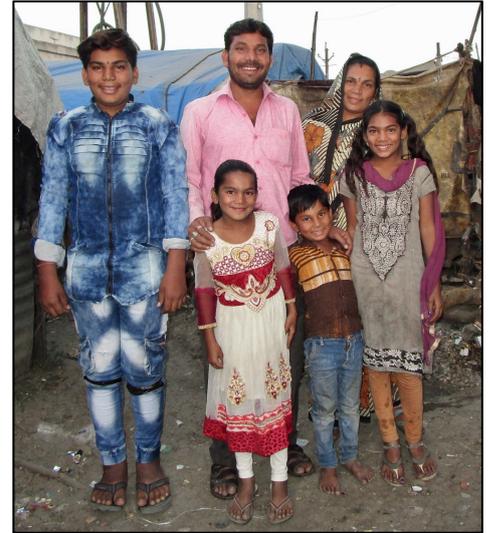
Slum Bridging School – Indore, India

Budget: \$9,000 for year 3 – fully funded.

Update:

This project funds a government-accredited school now servicing 120 children from a tarpaulin-house slum in Indore, India. The slum community is extremely poor and before we partnered with them the children were not attending school, they were out picking rags. This was our third year of partnering with the school.. As well as supporting the school, our implementing partner is also carrying out livelihood training with the adults to help them make a better living rather than collecting and sorting garbage.

Ganesh (pictured right) and his wife send their four children to the school. They are performing well academically and their behaviour and hygiene has improved steadily over the years. This change has had a dramatic influence on their parents. They expressed their gratitude and admitted that they had never really cared for their children in the past. They now feel a sense of pride and are happy that their children are thriving.



The livelihood training program continues to bring life to the women who are learning new skills and are changing the way they care for their children. Our partners have set up a health program in response to the lack of hygiene and the high level of sickness in this densely populated slum settlement. They have also conducted medical camps for pregnant women providing them with free check-ups , medicine and nutritious food.

People are becoming more hard working and self-reliant. They was strong attendance on community clean-up days, at the medical camps and for the garden making project. Our partners recently started a program to help 10 families become more financially stable. They provided a hand cart for one member of each family and helped them set up a small business selling fruit or vegetables. They continue to support them with livelihood skills, empowerment and awareness programs and savings plans.

The slum community is learning the importance of good education and good hygiene practices. Thank you for helping to transform these people's lives.

