

HOPES



ABOUT US

HOPES is a non-governmental organization working for the rights, health and socio-economic well-being of the People Living with HIV/AIDS (PLHIV) in Greater Hyderabad district. In 2004, driven by their own experiences, a group of 10 PLHIV came together with the intent of addressing the stigma and discrimination faced by the PLHIV community. This was the first time in the state of Andhra Pradesh that a group of PLHIV collectivized to advocate for the rights of the community.

HOPES aim to provide a better quality of life for the PLHIV community by creating a sense of belonging and togetherness. HOPES was formally registered as a community-based organization (CBO) in 2006 under the Andhra Pradesh Societies Registration Act 35 of 2001 [Registration No. 796/2006]. We serve all individuals infected and affected by HIV/AIDS in Greater Hyderabad district. Our services are also extended to the key population groups most affected by HIV & AIDS - LGBTQI community, injecting drug users, women, youth and children.

Currently, 21000+ PLHIV including 1400+ Children Living with HIV/AIDS (CLHIV) are registered with HOPES.



VISION

People Living with HIV/AIDS have equal rights and live with dignity and peace with other members of the society.



MISSION

By means of Advocacy, Networking and Service delivery, HOPES is working to:

- Protect and promote the rights of PLHIV by facilitating and ensuring their involvement at all levels of decision making.
- Promote social acceptance of PLHIV and their families by diminishing stigma and discrimination
- Facilitate early linkages of PLHIV for treatment, care and support services
- Provide PLHIV with more economic, social and cultural networking opportunities
- Provide access to information and awareness, thereby reducing incidences of HIV infection



AFFILIATIONS

Network of Telangana by People living with HIV/AIDS (NTP)
National Coalition of People Living with HIV in India (NCPI+)



OUR WORK

⊕ Health - HIV/AIDS Prevention, Treatment & Support Services

VIHAAN Care and Support Centre (CSC):

HOPES has been implementing Vihaan CSC in Greater Hyderabad district of Telangana since 2013. Vihaan CSC, supported by Global Fund through Alliance India and NCPI+, is a comprehensive program targeted at improving the survival and quality of life of PLHIV.



Till date, Vihaan CSC of HOPES has benefitted 13000+ PLHIV by:

- Facilitating timely detection of HIV
- Establishing early linkages Anti-retroviral therapy (ART) for PLHIV
- Improving ART treatment adherence
- Enabling positive prevention practices to avoid passing on the infection
- Aiding in the management of opportunistic infections, especially tuberculosis

Additionally, 2700+ PLHIV under Vihaan have been linked to social welfare and protection schemes of the government.

⊕ Advocacy & Sensitization

Positive Speakers Training

In collaboration with Andhra Pradesh State AIDS Control Society (APSACS), HOPES has provided training to 150 PLHIV on legal aspects and advocacy.

Since its inception, HOPES has been persistently advocating for the rights of the PLHIV community at various district and state forums. We have also conducted numerous workshops and organized rallies to generate awareness and sensitize the authorities and the public concerning the issues faced by the PLHIV community.



Drop In Centre (DIC)

With support from the APSACS, the DIC project encouraged and strengthened women's participation in the advocacy initiatives at the state level. The women's group formed under the DIC facilitated access to social entitlements and govt. schemes for women and PLHIV, increased awareness about HIV/AIDS in the community and mobilized PLHIV through peer support for accessing HIV health services.

Promoting Access to Care & Treatment (PACT)

With support from the Population Foundation of India (PFI), the PACT project implemented by HOPES was instrumental in ensuring continuity of PLHIV to ART services by training of health workers and outreach staff, by strengthening monitoring mechanisms for follow-up and by streamlining linkage procedures.

Legal Aid

In collaboration with State AIDS Control Society (SACS) and with support from District Legal Services Authority (DLSA), HOPES has been facilitating the process of providing legal services to PLHIV community since 2008. The objective of the legal aid services is to address the instances of stigma and discrimination faced on account of their HIV status.

Till date, we have provided legal aid to 265 PLHIV.

Education

Since 2008, HOPES is sponsoring the life-long education of 300 CLHIV, with support from the Christian Foundation for Children and Aging (CFCA). Education kits and uniforms were provided to 40 CLHIV, with support from Indian Network of People Living with HIV/AIDS (INP+), Chennai.

Financial Security

HOPES has been conducting training for Women Living with HIV (WLHIV) on financial literacy, thereby facilitating the formation of self-help groups (SHGs) and promoting self-managed savings and credit mechanisms.

We have also facilitated access to Government microfinance scheme wherein 52 WLHIV received a grant of Rs 1,00,000 each.

COVID-19 Relief

During COVID-19, HOPES collaborated with district authorities and other NGOs to ensure regular supply of ration and hygiene kits to the marginalized PLHIV community.



PARTNERSHIPS

- National Coalition of People Living with HIV in India (NCPI+)
- Alliance India
- Andhra Pradesh State AIDS Control Society (APSACS)
- Telangana State AIDS Control Society (TSACS)

- Indian Network of People Living with HIV/AIDS (INP+), Chennai
- Population Foundation of India (PFI)
- Family Planning Association of India (FPA)
- KC Pullaiah Foundation
- Christian Foundation for Children and Aging (CFCA)
- LEPRASOCIETY

HOPES is being mentored and provided with technical assistance by Meeting Targets and Maintaining Epidemic Control (EpiC) project of Family Health International 360 (FHI 360) since 2024 through LEPRASOCIETY on organizational development and on sustaining services to PLHIV community.



IMPACT

- **13000+** PLHIV and their families received timely HIV care, support and referral services, enabling them to lead a healthy and positive life
- **2700+** PLHIV and their families availed social welfare and protection schemes, leading to their social and economic empowerment
- **300** PLHIV are receiving regular nutritional support, enabling them to lead a healthy life
- **300** CLHIV are receiving lifelong education support, enabling them to secure quality education
- **150** PHLIV received training on leadership and advocacy, thereby enabling them to effectively address and reduce stigma and discrimination
- **12** PLHIV self-help groups (SHGs) sustained, thereby economically empowering **180** women
- **265** PLHIV received legal aid support; **162** cases received closure



SUPPORT US BY

- Volunteering
- Sponsoring our Affected & Infected Children's education
- Funding our programs for PLHIV
- Supporting in infrastructure development of our office space



DONATION DETAILS

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