

City of HOPE

...a place of refuge!

PROJECT REPORT

About City of HOPE

City of HOPE is the dream project of Rays of HOPE Ministries, an indigenous Social Charity NGO based in Navi Mumbai, India.

As the name suggests, the project envisions to build a place of refuge for the physically, emotionally, financially deprived constituents of the society and to bring a fresh HOPE into their lives.

City of HOPE will be one-of-its kind project that will cater to destitute children, women, elderly and terminally ill patients at such a massive scale, and yet without losing the essence of a one-to-one caring.

It is proposed to be established as a cluster of inhabitant area spread across not less than 30 acres of land which will provide a holistic development of all its residents under one roof.

Vision & Mission

Our Vision is to reach out to helpless lives and birth a new hope and a purpose, thereby empowering and enabling them to fulfil their destiny.

Proposed Location

Rays of HOPE Ministries is been blessed with a donation & allotment of the land for this project in a clean and virgin environment on the outskirts of Navi Mumbai in Khalapur (Raigarh, MH). Khalapur is cut off from the hustle-bustle of the city life, is easily accessible from major cities through road, rail and air.

What City of HOPE will encompass?

1. ASHALAYA (House of HOPE)

ASHALAYA, meaning 'House of HOPE' will provide an ideal family home for children who are abused, neglected, orphaned, troubled, or poor; and those from dysfunctional families.

Our mission is to provide safe, nurturing family homes for these children, and equip them to live productive lives. In these small family units, children would not only be fed and sheltered but they will also be made to feel a sense of belonging to a family.

ASHALAYA will take care of the long-term needs of the children including education, grooming, healthcare, recreation, skill development, behavioural and attitudinal counselling etc.

Like-minded couples and volunteers with proven track record of a disciplined and moral life and with a heart for the children, will be selected as the caretakers/house parents/mentors of every family. These mentors will act as foster parents for the children and will bear the responsibility for the upbringing of these children in a right manner.

Homes will be designed and built in a cottage/row house format with the ability to house 10-20 children, which can vary on case-to-case basis. Children will be assigned to homes based on age, gender and/or emotional needs. Each child will be encouraged to develop holistically: Inner-Personal, Physical, Edu-Economical, Socio-Emotional. Also care will be taken to segregate children in a homogeneous manner beyond the age group of 8 yrs.

2. CARE Home

It is estimated that India has the largest number of AIDS orphans and this number is expected to double in the next few years.

As the occurrence of AIDS/HIV cases among adults are on the rise and so are the innocent children, who are born with HIV infection. As the parents die of AIDS, the relatives of the children don't really come forward to take their responsibility, leaving them with tremendous rejection, fear, loneliness and long suffering.

CARE Home will house HIV+ children who have been abandoned by their families, providing these innocent lives with a touch of love, compassion and genuine care.

3. Dignity Home

City of HOPE will also host Dignity Homes, which will shelter the widows and underprivileged and abandoned elderly people. It will provide home care for elderly persons recuperating from illness/surgery/hospital stays and expectant/new mothers. Caregivers will be available 24/7 to look after the needs of the home.

4. Rehabilitation centre for the Victims of Human Trafficking

The social stigma attached to flesh trade makes rehabilitation of victims of human trafficking a tricky proposition.

Under City of HOPE, dedicated efforts will be taken to rehabilitate the Victims of Human Trafficking and to motivate and support them by providing alternative and respectable employment opportunities. Counselling and motivation sessions will be undertaken for VoHT on a regular basis.

5. SUSRUSHA - Terminal care centre

SUSRUSHA - terminal care centre will be dedicated to provide medical care for those who are chronically ill and have been identified with life threatening sickness like TB, HIV/AIDS and Cancer.

Abandoned patients, who are unable to bear the expenses of their treatment and are living in the last stage of their lives will be cared for, so that they can lead the remaining days of their life in peace and love. Besides providing a homely and congenial environment to the inhabitants, it will also provide medical service irrespective of caste, creed or religion. This way, efforts will be made to remove the social stigma that is generally attached to various sicknesses.

We believe that the love and compassion shared through this centre will be a source of inspiration to the patients' relatives and friends who either abandon them or change their behaviour towards them.

6. Educational Institutions

To cater to the educational need of residents of City of HOPE, especially children, we plan to establish school, college and streamlined training centres that will provide education right from kindergarten to doctorate level.

Through education, City of HOPE will provide care, support and independence, and inculcate a sense of purpose in the lives of its beneficiaries. Trained staff of teachers will be employed to provide competitive education, both theoretical and practical, to the students and help in their holistic development.

7. Vocational Training Centres

City of HOPE will host vocational training centres and institutions for its beneficiaries to offer them with self-sustaining jobs and empower them to live a better life.

These vocational skills training will include subjects like Carpentry, Plumbing, Electrical work, Leather work, Refrigeration and Air-conditioning Mechanic, Beautician course, Tailoring & Embroidery, Cooking etc. Owing to the magnitude of the project, we believe employment opportunities will be generated within the City.

8. Rehabilitation Centre for addicts and insane people

This residential rehabilitation centre will cater to the different types of addicts, insane and mentally imbalanced members of the society.

Basic health care facilities will be provided, where they will be cleaned, nourished and provided with an atmosphere of love where it will bring healing to these lives.

9. Hospital and Medical Centre

Medical needs of the City of HOPE residents will be met by establishing hospitals and medical centres within the premises. These will special in the sense that the patients will be treated with special care and compassion regardless of their caste, creed or financial status.

10. Residential Complex

'City of HOPE' will house a residential complex in the form of colonies for people living below the poverty line. Housing will be provided at subsidised rates to deserving families.

Our target is to house 100 families, and marginalize at cost price, payable in easy instalments. These families/individuals in turn will serve the needs of man-power in the City of HOPE!

11. Community Centre

Routine celebrations of life will be organized collectively at City of HOPE's community centre/activity hall. Common facilities of dining, recreation and health will be provided at the centre for the residents.

12. Head Office & Guest House

For day-to-day management and administration of City of HOPE, the Head office and Community Residence will be built within the premises and key officials and team members will be based here. The guest house will cater to the visitors to the City of HOPE, and will be built in close vicinity of the head office and the Community Residence.

Estimated cost of the project

Cost for purchase of land - 20 Acres (10 Acres is been given as donation, Total 30 Acres)	₹ 100000000
Cost of Infrastructures	₹ 100000000
Set up self-sustaining programs & Corpus Fund	₹ 100000000
Total cost:	₹ 30 Crores

YOU CAN make a difference!

We request and welcome you to become a part of this movement.
Together WE CAN make a difference!
Become a Ray of HOPE!

You can participate through:

- 1. CSR donations & partnerships** (i.e. Institutions, Companies etc)
- 2. Be a MISSION FRIEND for CITY OF HOPE** (i.e. Individuals, families)
Those who make 'once-in-a-life commitment' towards giving a fixed amount per month for five years!
i.e. 2500 MFs x ₹ 2000 x 60 months = City of HOPE!
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- 3. Sponsor a child / program**
- 4. One-Time Donations**
Those unable to make recurring donations, can still become part of this by giving a whole-hearted one-time donation of any size.
- 5. In-Kind Donations**
(ie. Building Materials, Machineries, Expertise Sharing etc.)
- 6. Volunteering: Short Term / Long Term**
- 7. Promote RHM to others**

Plan of Action

- In order to encourage & motivate prospective donors, all possible **Tax Exemption** facilities would be availed,
ie. **80G (provides 50% exemption):** We've it!
35 AC (provides 100% exemption): Application will be made soon.
- The project will entail extensive planning. Once the target land is acquired, construction of the City of HOPE would begin in a phase-wise manner, keeping in mind its overall vision.
- This massive state-of-the-art residential 'city' will be designed in consultation with learned designers and architects, keeping in mind the unique need that it will cater to.

- All minute details and technicalities including residential structures, design and ergonomics, administration, environment-friendliness of the project, manpower, etc would be pre-planned and presented in a transparent way.
- City of HOPE is envisioned to be a self-sustaining project and effective use of ecological methods will be undertaken for meeting the basic requirements of the inhabitants. These include solar system for generation of electricity, effective waste management, generation of water through bore wells, rain-water harvesting, recycle of waste etc. All available resources will be used judiciously to meet the day-to-day requirements of the city.

City of HOPE...at a glance

- * The vision project of Rays of HOPE Ministries
- * Envisions to build a place of refuge for the deprived/down-trodden constituents of the society
- * Estimated cost of the project is ₹ 30 crores
- * One-of-its kind project
- * Spread across 30 acres of land in Khalapur, the outskirts of Navi Mumbai
- * Will cater and shelter the destitute and needy children, widows & destitute women, victims of human trafficking, deprived elderly, addicts, mentally challenged and terminally ill patients.
- * You can partner by: Participating and Promoting

About Rays of Hope Ministries

Rays of HOPE Ministries, is an indigenous Humanitarian Social Charity NGO with a vision and call, "...to bring HOPE in the hopeless lives", working towards the cause of the poor, needy, neglected, deprived, abandoned and lives without hope.

It is a 100% indigenous NGO, initiated by Manoj Magar in the year 2002, with the burden in the heart to reach out to needy people, Manoj Magar took the first step and since then, there has been no turning back. It has been an amazing journey of seeing the transformation of lives.

Current activities of Rays of HOPE Ministries

1. ASHALAYA (House of HOPE)

ASHALAYA Children's Home was conceptualised to make a difference in the lives of orphaned children from broken families, children living on streets and children of the victims of human trafficking. This is a small unit of a family based environment where the children are not only fed and sheltered but also they are provided a family, which they can call of their own.

***Current Status:** Currently ASHALAYA is housing 53 children, both boys and girls, aged from 6-18yrs in Kharghar & Khalapur. The children are provided with the best of education and care in an environment of love and peace.*

2. HOPE Centre (An outreach and Day care feeding programme)

While surveying the red light areas, we felt the need to reach out to the Victims of Human Trafficking and their innocent children, who are being constantly bombarded with all the evil influence, sexual immorality and prostitution around them. This immoral scenario badly impacts the little children, putting their future in danger.

HOPE Centre is an outreach for the Victims of Human Trafficking and their children, focusing to bring educational and moral awareness and providing nutrition with love. We teach and feed the children with a proper nutritious meal daily, believing that through these acts of compassion, we can reach out to the children, the Victims of Human Trafficking and the neighbouring slum areas. We have trained teachers & volunteers who are conducting these educational & feeding programmes.

***Current Status:** HOPE Centre is functioning in Navi Mumbai-based Turbhe Red Light slum since 15th October 2007, everyday serving to 125+ children and women... HOPE Centre premises needs rebuilding.*

3. CARE Home

The rapid spread of HIV/AIDS in India is a cause of great concern. In the growing scenario of HIV+ affected families, the little children are left behind, as the parents die of AIDS, leaving them with tremendous amount of rejection, fear, loneliness, starvation and in many cases ultimately death. Our hearts are burdened to care for the PLH children.

***Current Status:** We run facility for 'CARE Home', presently hosting 4 PLH children, which provide these innocent little lives with touch of love, compassion and genuine care.*

4. Project DIGNITY (An initiative for Empowerment)

Under Project DIGNITY, we undertake the following activities:

- Educational scholarships: Providing educational assistance to the needy, poor & deserving students.
- Women Empowerment: Empowering underprivileged women through the 'Stitching Training Programmes and Small Savings Groups.
- Supporting Widows: An extended hand of mutual help means lot to them, helping to live with dignity!
- Providing Micro-business loan project: For small-time entrepreneurs, who are hardworking and need financial assistance to come up in life.

5. Project ASHA

Project ASHA is for TB, HIV/AIDS & Cancer awareness, counselling & care and deals with providing care, counselling and support to the patients and their devastated families. We share love & acceptance with them and help them to overcome guilt, fear and rejection.

6. Project REACH

Project REACH is an initiative to reach out to the children on street, REACH them wherever they are is the motto... connecting with them, forming children's activity clubs, providing a meal (through Food Van), create interest in them for education and thus try to break the cycle of poverty and all its related consequences.

7. CITY OF HOPE

We are envisioned to build a **CITY OF HOPE**, a place of refuge!
...a single campus that shelters orphans/destitute children, widows, elderly, victims of human trafficking, dying patients of TB, AIDS & Cancer, addicts, mentally challenged etc.

We've the land in Khalapur, Maharashtra (10 acres given as donation and allotted another 20 acres to be paid in easy interest-free loan instalments)... now, we need finances/resources for furtherance to see this becoming a reality!

Presently we have begun a **children home** in Khalapur and also carry initiatives of reaching out to the tribal villagers around the land with **community development programs**, (i.e. **Clean Drinking Water Project, Nutrition & Hygiene Supplies, Educational Support, Health Camps** etc).

Pls request for detail information on the CITY OF HOPE and its budget for the further developments.

How is Rays of HOPE Ministries funded?

As mentioned earlier, Rays of HOPE Ministries is completely a indigenous NGO and all its funding come from Donors who are individuals & families from different walks of life. These are donors who graciously donate monitory and in-kind through one time donations or recurring donations every month.

What are City of HOPE's needs?

- Acquiring process of land
- Wisdom and guidance for layout and construction of the project, town planning etc.
- For all necessary permissions to be granted with proper and transparent documentation.
- For more Partners/Donors and likeminded people with a burden to work for the cause of the hopeless.
- To raise up more financial partners to sustain the needs of the project.
- Knowledgeable people to direct families in crisis to a safe haven like City of HOPE.

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City of HOPE is a vision that has been impressing upon our hearts since June 2006, which has been confirmed, and reconfirmed by many...

A lot of people in this world are in desperate need and are seeking help. It is our mandate to shoulder the responsibilities of the underprivileged and bless them with what we have been blessed with.

The world is waiting for a solution, a hope that can come from you.

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Are you willing to be a part of this?


- Manoj & Priya Magar

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Please send your Bank Cheques / Demand Drafts / M.O. in favor
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