

About DKSHA

DKSHA - Deva Kirubai Social Help Association is a voluntary not-for-profit social service organization set up in 1993 to **empower the lives of disadvantaged children, widows, and marginalized poor farmers.**

The organization operates mainly through grants from private agencies, as well as donations from generous individuals. Since its inception, DKSHA has positively influenced thousands of lives, using **multiple approaches** such as providing shelters for orphans (Cornerstone Home, started in 2004), and meeting medical, social, and educational needs of the poor through development projects for **sustainable living.**

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We Need You!

Cornerstone Home provides **holistic education** to 95 boys and girls between 5 and 17 years old, guaranteeing them the Rights Of The Child (UNCRC,1989). In light of the resource requirements to run our Home and the projects with the nearby communities, DKSHA is in need of fundings for the following main areas:

- Education** about psychological and mental development
- Medical** expenses
- School related fees**, uniforms, study materials and transport
- Contributions for **staff support** to

How To Make A Donation?

1. Ask for Bank information
2. Designate the purpose of your donation
3. Obtain the benefit of tax reduction

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Light Shine*

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Our Efforts To Empower Life

The needs of the communities in and around Manapparai are numerous. DKSHA carries out a wide variety of programmes and initiatives to give aid to lives in crisis and to sustain communities. Below are examples of DKSHA's efforts together with



Shelter And Education



Parkavi was 3 years old when her mother died. At that time, her brother named Saravanan, was only 1 month old. Four years later, their father also died of HIV and the two children were left to live under the care of their ailing grandfather, Manickam. A year after the father's demise, the grandfather, unable to care for the children, brought them from the village of Karur to Cornerstone, in order to give them the opportunity of a decent education. Today, Parkavi and Saravanan are living peacefully surrounded by our benevolent educational staff providing them all the facilities to ensure their good development.

Medical Assistance



Mrs Lakshmi requested the admission of her son, **Mohan**, together with his younger brother Basker, in Cornerstone Children's Home as she could no longer care for them after the death of her husband. During a routine medical examination conducted on all the orphanage's children it was discovered that Mohan was suffering from anemia. Further follow up checks subsequently revealed that he was in fact suffering from bone marrow cancer. Transplant option was considered but was finally not suitable in Mohan's case, leaving the only alternative of regular blood transfusion and medication. DKSHA has then appealed to donators, and together with the appropriate nutrition, Mohan responded well to the treatment and his health has since improved.

Sustainable Development

DKSHA's **farmer project** is currently running today with the support of Manos Unidas, Spain. It gives special attention to rural marginal farmers on 300 farms in 15 rural communities located near DKSHA. It aims to train farmers specifically for the cultivation of rare millets that well grow in low water conditions.



Our Valuable Volunteers

Much of DKSHA's efforts are made possible through the **selfless contributions of volunteers and students**. Programs such as teaching of English, Art and Craft, organizing Christmas events and implementing development initiatives involve the time and efforts of volunteers. Help in even the smallest of ways can make a big difference to the lives of others. Many of DKSHA's volunteers have also expressed how their efforts have brought fulfillment and meaning in their own lives..

DKSHA therefore welcomes anyone who is willing to share their abilities and talents for the advancement of the lives of impoverished children

How To Become A Volunteer?

1. Go on our website and check if our activities meet your interests
2. Contact us and start a journey!



Mr **Isaac Arulappan** is the founder and honorary director of DKSHA. He has a Bachelor of Science degree from St. Joseph's College, Trichy and a Diploma in Community Based Development from COADY Institute, Canada. He, together with the DKSHA community will be pleased to meet you and thank you for your time.