

Executive Summary

Name: TRY Children's Home

Category: *children of commercial sex workers.*

Asking amount: \$30,000.

Type of costs funded: *Infrastructure*

State: Tamil Nadu

Chapter: Asha Chennai, Asha MIT, Asha Syracuse

Contact: Rajaram, Chandravel (Asha Chennai), Anuradha Raghavan (MIT)

Number of children served: 14 presently, Projected to increase to over 50 after support.

Website: [TRY Home Page\(www.toreachyou.org\)](http://www.toreachyou.org),

[TRY page at Asha Chennai \(http://www.ashanet.org/chennai/projects/try.htm\)](http://www.ashanet.org/chennai/projects/try.htm),

[TRY page at Asha MIT \(http://www.ashanet.org/projects\)](http://www.ashanet.org/projects)

Site Visit: Please Checkout the webpages for the Asha Chapters above.

Photos: Please Checkout the webpages for the Asha Chapters above.

FCRA: Yes.

Proposal:

TRY required funding to establish a permanent home on a two ground land in Ramapuram, Chennai. A 2000 Sq. ft home in this land would enable TRY to provide a good home to over 50 children of commercial sex workers.

Name of WAH 2003 Proposal

1. Name of the organization: To Reach You
2. Date of Establishment: 18th April 1996
3. Please provide the following information:
 - a. Registration Number (Societies Registration Act): si.No.-353/1996
 - b. Tax Exemption Certificate Number: 2/222(from 1999-2000)
 - c. Exemption Valid Dates: 31st March 2006
 - d. FCRA Number: 076020003
 - e. MOA: On file / Available upon request ???
4. How the organization was created and what are the type of activities it provides:

TRY-To Reach You is an organization born a tribute to a dream. When Anand Kumar A Student of Madras School Of Social Work, died without realizing his ambition to start a welfare organization for the underprivileged, his classmates took up the noble cause.

This is the reason of TRY-To Reach You-Social Work Organisation reaching out socially, educationally and economically backward sections. Irrespective of caste, creed, and religion.

Activities:

1. Running home for the Children Of Sex Workers: Education, Food, Shelter & Healthcare
 2. Field Activities: Rehabilitation, Health, Vocational training referral, Counselling for the commercial sex workers.
 3. Community Development: Behaviour Correction, assurance of steady income, social security of the sex workers. Family and society acceptance, Raised consciousness of people.
5. Names and Backgrounds of the founder and directors of the organization:

NAME	DESIGNATION	OCCUPATION
N.Narayankumar	President	Social Worker
Winifred Rayan	Vice-President	Manager-HR
R.K.Chandaveluchamy	Secretary	Social Worker
R.Ganesh	Joint-Secretary	Social Worker
Ms.Saalai Manikkam	Treasurer	Social Worker
Thillaikarasan	Member	Social Worker
G.Baskaran	Member	Social Worker
Anand Arumugam	Member	Social Worker
A.C.Annadurai	Member	Social Worker

6. Name, Address, Phone & email of the contact person in USA

Anuradha Raghavan (Asha Boston), padanisa@hotmail.com, 617-776-9096

7. Name, Address, Phone & email of the contact person in India:

Rajaraman Krishnan (Asha Chennai), rajaram@solnettechnologies.com,
91-44-24989435

Chandravel Chamy (TRY coordinator), trychandru@hotmail.com, 91-44-22493443.

8. How long has this project been supported by any Asha Chapter?

ASHA BOSTON----2000-2001,2002

ASHA SYRACUSE-2002-2003

9. Number of administrative and field staff:

TRY-Co-ordinator—one

Field workers-----two

Home Maid-----one

10. A brief description of the long-term objectives of the organization:

- To provide a secure loving home, and education for the children of sex workers who are vulnerable to abuse because of the profession of their mothers.
- To promote awareness in the society of a sensitive and difficult issue i.e., prostitution and the plight of the children of people involved in that profession.
- To rehabilitate women who work as commercial workers to get out of that profession by giving them counseling and finding them other means of earning an income.
- To eventually establish a center for open dialogue and effective action to combat the problem of prostitution and also provide a forum for women and children in such abusive situations to seek help and escape from it.

11. Details of the organizations annual budget (include an annual report if possible):

Would be sent separately.

12. Previous Funding Sources, if any:

Asha Boston, Asha Syracuse and local donors.

13. Has the project been funded by WAH in the past? If so, which year?

No.

14. Brief Description of any previous projects the organization has undertaken:

Since TRY was established in 1996,

- Forty-two Families had been given counseling / vocational training and rehabilitated. TRY had helped the women who were indulged as sex-workers to find an alternate profession and thereby lead a normal life.

- More than 85 children from underprivileged community between age group 3 – 10 years, have benefited basic education, shelter and care. More importantly by rehabilitating their mother / parents / family they had been successfully put back into the mainstream of social life as useful citizens.
- Because of the good social work background, TRY had also helped several street children, mentally retarded children, physically disabled children by coordinating and working with other organizations & agencies.

15. Describe location, current conditions (number of schools, population, demographics):

TRY Childern Home is located at Ramapuram, Chennai. It is a rented place.

One Govt School and four private School are there in Ramapuram. More than one lakh people live in Ramapuram.

16. What is the goal of the WAH project (describe background of the children, what changes this project aims to bring about in the current conditions)?

TRY Childern home is presently running in a monthly rented house at Ramapuram, Chennai. Due to the very nature of hiring a premise, the home keeps moving around along with the children, thereby putting the children under unnecessary hardships and undue stress. Most of the time even their education gets disturbed. In the past four years, the home has shifted three times. So if WAH supports TRY for gets permanent place, it is a permanent solution. This would also help bring all the activities of TRY under one roof.

17. Beneficiaries of the project (must include how many children, teacher-student ratio, number of males/females, age, can include other demographic

Children Of Sex Workers-50 to 60
Commercial Sex Workers
Counseling for needy people

18. Details of the funding requirements:

- a. Amount of money required: \$30,000 requested from Asha out of a total \$52000 required for the project.
- b. Duration for which funds are requested: One time requirement only.

19. Provide itemized budget for the proposed WAH project. Indicate costs by phases of development (if any) and the split up of costs: blackboards, tables, chairs, toilets, buildings, teachers' salaries etc.

Cost of Land = Rs 14 Lakhs.

Cost of Land Registration = Rs 1 Lakh.

Cost of construction of building = Rs 10 Lakhs.

Support from Local Donors = Rs 11 Lakhs.

Total Required from Asha = Rs 14 Lakhs = US \$30,000.

20. How long will the benefit last? Please give an approximate US \$/child/year estimate in the project:

Indefinitely. The home would be the center of operations for TRY. This would continue to serve the children of sex workers.

21. Other sources of funding (confirmed and anticipated), if any:

Anticipating funding from Local Donors (Vijayapriya, Steve Borgia).

22. Expected means of continuing the project after current funding:

From local donors

23. Duration of the Project:

One time infrastructure project.

24. Number of project personnel involved in the implementation of the project and their duties:

Three Social Workers

R.K.Chandaveluchamy----coordinating all the levels

N.Narayankumar-----Supervising the implimentation

Ms.Salaai manikkam-----Treasurer

25. References of the lead people supervising the project, if any.

1. Prof.Ranganathan

Rtd. Senior person from Madras School Of Social Work

2.Mr.Steve Borgia,

CEO,Streling Resorts

26. Number of people reached by the program so far and how many have completed the literacy program (number of boys and girls):

More than 85 children (around 52 boys—33 girls)

42 families

27. Expected outcomes for children served by the project. (eg. Minimum levels of learning, standard proficiency, etc.)

The children are sent to Tamilnadu State Board schools run by Chennai corporation. They are studying the appropriate standards as their age determines. TRY intends to provide home for the children till their 10th standard and potentially further.

28. Is there any governmental involvement in the project? If yes, how?
No.