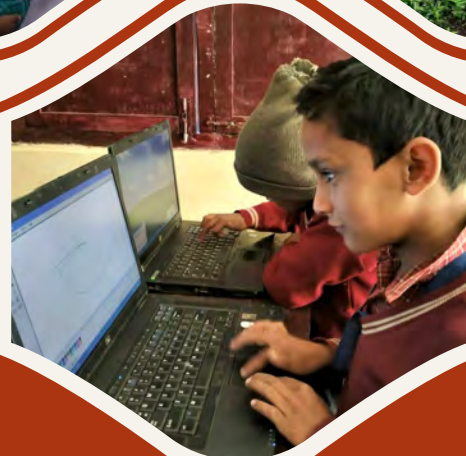




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IDRF's Mission

Breaking the cycle of poverty in India, Nepal, and Sri Lanka by empowering marginalized people through skills, services, and infrastructure grounded in sustainable developments.

President's Message

Dear Friends,

Your generosity in 2022 has helped IDRF to disburse grants of \$3.62 million to 70 NGO partners in India, Nepal, and Sri Lanka.

We were able to provide Door Step Schools to children with no access to basic education, an aqua therapy pool for children with developmental disabilities, enterprises to develop farming inputs to increase agricultural yields, smokeless stoves, and biogas units to protect the environment, women's health, etc.

Several of our donors, volunteers, and team members visited our project sites and were gratified to see firsthand the difference your contributions are making to the lives of the less fortunate.

I hope you will continue your support to IDRF and fulfill your dream of 'giving back' to support your favorite cause or invest in our Donor Advised and Funded projects.

Thank you.

Best regards,
Dr. Vinod Prakash

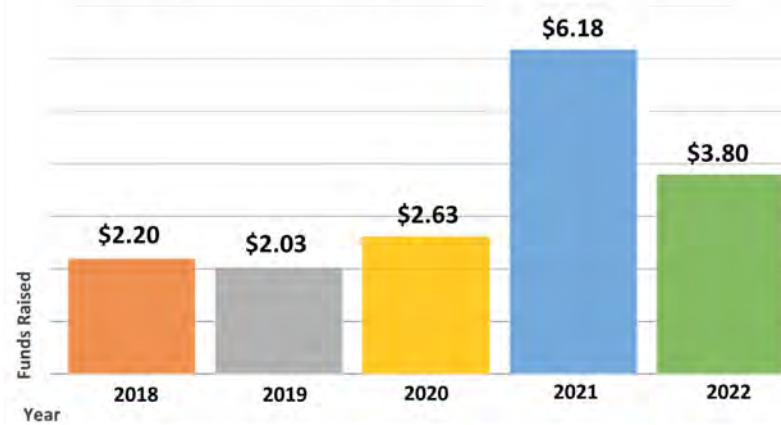


IDRF has received top-most accreditations and recognition from the industry!



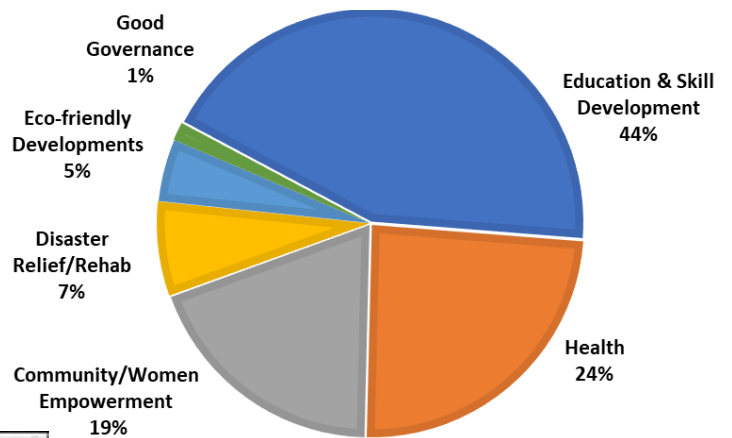
Fundraising and Grant Distribution: 2022

Funds Raised (USD Millions): 2018 to 2022



Total Funds Raised= \$3.80 million
 Total Grants Disbursed= \$3.62 million
 Overheads= 3%

Distribution of Grants by Focus Areas



Since 1988

Funds Raised= \$49 million
 Grants Disbursed= \$43 million
 Overheads*= \$2 million

*administration, management, and fundraising



70 NGO-partners
 In 19 states in India
 2 in Nepal
 2 in Sri Lanka
 1 in USA

Auditors:
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Mission and Strategy 1: IDRF's Journey with Vatsalya Trust Mumbai

IDRF's association with Vatsalya Trust started in August 1998 when our Founder Dr. Vinod Prakash and his wife Sarla, visited their orphanage and were moved by the plight of the abandoned children. Established in 1983 primarily to rehabilitate destitute children, the Trust has over the years expanded its programs to empower marginalized women and youth.

IDRF has been supporting the Orphanage project (Child Care and Rehabilitation) for several years. Over the years, IDRF also started supporting programs to provide better livelihood opportunities for the economically weak and school dropouts.



"I feel that I have proven myself in my life. The Patient Assistant Program has increased my self-reliance and I can add to my family's income.," Aakanksha Jumale, works at the Fortis Hospital.

Since 2013, support for the Patient Assistant Program (affiliated with Yashwantrao Chavan Maharashtra Open University) has benefitted 500+ women in rural and tribal areas. The participants have been placed in suitable employment in hospitals/clinics/in-home care, etc.

In 2018, IDRF started supporting the Drive with Pride Program. This has benefitted over 1,000 marginalized youngsters by providing them with driving training for two/three/four wheelers to become drivers/chauffeurs.

As we move forward in our journey with Vatsalya Trust, IDRF is providing support for Balikashram at its outreach center at Latur to provide education/vocational training to make destitute girls self-reliant and Project 'Finding Nemo' to reunite run-away kids with their families.



"The auto-rickshaw training has been a game-changer in my life. I can now earn Rs.30,000 a month and support my entire family after my father lost his job," -Anil Khare.

Mission and Strategy 2: Computer Literacy and Digital Skills Programs

There are still millions of people in India that neither have access to nor can afford computer literacy and skills to better their lives. The government schemes are mostly available online, which people from poor communities are unable to access.



To bridge the digital gap, IDRF has supported Computer Literacy and Technology-based education for many years benefitting thousands of students. IDRF has set up computer labs in schools/colleges for Auroville Unity Fund (Tamil Nadu), Maharshi Dayanand Mahila Shikshan Sansthan Samiti (Rajasthan), IDRF Tribal Girls' Hostel at Shiksha Bharti (Uttar Pradesh), Sri Ram Gram Vikas Samiti (Uttar Pradesh), and Computer Shiksha (Himachal Pradesh, Maharashtra, Rajasthan, and Uttar Pradesh).

In Nepal, IDRF partnered with Open Learning Exchange Nepal to provide students with laptops to incorporate technology into the school curriculum. IDRF also helped set up an E-Pustakalaya, a digital repository of e-books, audiobooks, educational videos, learning software, etc.

Computer Training Centers were set up at Bodh Shiksha Samiti's Manas Ganga School and College, and Shiksha Bharti to increase the employment prospects of girls and young women from economically weaker families.

During the COVID pandemic, IDRF provided digital tablets for Vimukti Sansthan (Rajasthan) to help girls living in the slums continue their education. A tablet library has been set up in a slum of Ahmedabad, in partnership with Samerth Charitable Trust (Gujarat) to provide access to digital resources for academics and vocational guidance. Teachers were provided laptops through Swa-Roopwardhinee (Maharashtra) to teach online classes. These laptops were also used for maintaining COVID vaccination records by health workers.

IDRF also provides scholarships to pursue Computers, Engineering, and IT degrees, diplomas, and vocational programs through Lila Poonawalla Foundation (Maharashtra), and Swami Vivekananda Rural Development Society (Tamil Nadu).

Going forward IDRF intends to take computer literacy and skills to more underserved children and youth, who can make good use of technology to reduce challenges faced by them and their communities and better their lives in every possible way.



Highlights of Programs: 2022

1. EDUCATION AND SKILL DEVELOPMENT

"Schools on Wheels" for Children with No Access to Schools, Maharashtra -The Society of Door Step School

IDRF has provided two buses that have been remodeled as classrooms with audio-visual facilities, a mini-library, and toys to provide basic education to 1,500 children living in slums in Pune.



Constructing a School for Disadvantaged Rural Students, Bihar -Pokhrama Foundation Academy

IDRF is helping in the construction of a state-of-the-art, environmentally sustainable, zero-footprint campus of a school in a backward village. The junior block and some teachers' flats are completed. In 2022, the classes held at temporary premises previously moved to the new 7-acre campus.



An excellent curriculum including performing and visual arts and computer programming benefitting 113 students.

Highlights of Programs: 2022

2. HEALTHCARE

Ophthalmic Equipment for Treating Glaucoma and Retinal Diseases, Tamil Nadu -Medical Research Foundation

IDRF helped purchase and install a Diode Laser for laser eye surgeries and glaucoma procedures in Sankara Nethralaya's Main Campus in Chennai.



The Diode laser provides high-quality eye care to 500 patients annually.

Aqua Therapy Pool for Children with Development Disabilities, Maharashtra -Savitribai Phule Mahila Ekatma Samaj Mandal

IDRF helped set up a state-of-the-art swimming pool with special therapy equipment to benefit children with special needs in Aurangabad.



About 150 children are benefitting from the therapy sessions at this first-of-its-kind rehabilitation center.

3. Women/Community Empowerment

Support for a Girls' Orphanage and Adolescent Girls in the Slum Communities, Telangana -Vaidehi Seva Samithi

71 destitute girls at the Vaidehi Ashram orphanage are provided education and a safe home to help them become self-sufficient and get married.



430 girls living in slums are provided vocational education, health and hygiene training, and cultural and personality development sessions under the Vaidehi Kishori Vikasa Yojana at 20 centers.



Setting up Enterprises to Support Organic Farmers, Maharashtra - Magan Sanghralaya Samiti



IDRF has supported the construction of a seed bank, farming input production center, vegetable nursery, and bio-diversity park over 2-years (2021-22). The distribution of efficient tools and farming inputs has led to an improvement in soil quality and the high yield of crops.

1,000+ farmers in 60 villages have benefitted and their earnings have increased by 10-20%.

Highlights of Programs: 2022

4. Eco-friendly Developments

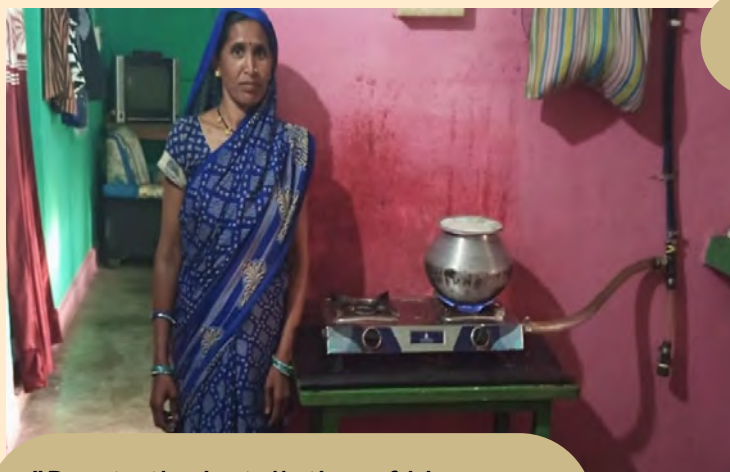
Protecting Natural Environment and Empowering Refugee Families, Delhi, and Rajasthan -Think Peace Organization

IDRF supported Refugee Aid Project to provide 216 energy-efficient biomass stoves to poor refugee families. Beneficiaries now use 50% less wood and are saved from harmful smoke.

Clean environment and improved health.



Promoting Sustainable Solutions for Climate: Tree Plantations and Biogas Units, Chhattisgarh -Samerth Charitable Trust



IDRF supported the construction of 5 family-size biogas units in 4 villages.



"Due to the installation of biogas, we got freedom from the heavy expenditure of LPG and the smoke of the earthen chulha that harmed my eyes", says Pramiya Ghritlahre

10,000 fruit trees planted in 46 villages.
Women's Self-Help Groups mobilized for aftercare and maintenance for three years.



Highlights of Programs: 2022

5. Good Governance and Innovation

Facilitating the Socio-economic and Cultural Assimilation of Marginalized Refugee Communities into Local Society, Rajasthan - Universal Just Action Society

75 people trained and provided tool kits for embroidery/applique skills, agroforestry, cattle management, and teacher training.

35 Self Help Groups with 650+ members are supported by IDRF for improving livelihood options.



Outlets have been opened for selling embroidered textiles, agroforestry, and dairy products.



Devi, a migrant who received teacher training and is teaching at the IDRF-supported school in Oad Basti, Jaisalmer says, *"I am motivated to work at this school as I understand the problems faced by children from migrant families with no access to education near our settlements and facing discrimination"*.

Preventing and Reducing Gender-based Violence, Rajasthan - Partnership for Transparency Fund and Center for Advocacy and Research

IDRF is helping boost confidence in women to combat violence and injustice. 30 victims of domestic violence were provided justice, counseling, and resolution mechanisms.

"I gained knowledge on laws and redressal mechanisms... Now I am sharing information on helpline and providing self-defense training to girls in collaboration with police as a Suraksha Sakhi (Protection Buddy)", says Saraswati, Gram Sakhi of Roopnagarh, Ajmer district.



Highlights of Programs: 2022

6. Disaster Relief and Rehabilitation

Emergency relief to 6,000 people struggling during the economic and political crisis, Sri Lanka
-Foundation of Goodness and Centre for Governance Innovation



As Sri Lanka faced its worst economic and political crisis, low-income people were struggling and surviving on only one meal a day. IDRF provided grocery packs to 4,000 rural people and 32,000 meals to 2,000 students.

Rehabilitation of Communities Affected by Floods, Telangana
-Keshava Seva Samithi

IDRF supported efforts undertaken by Seva Bharathi and Keshava Seva Samiti providing food packets, blankets, and the construction/repairs of 65 houses destroyed during the floods in Mancherial.



"Thanks for putting the roof back on our heads", says Laxmi, whose house was damaged during the floods

Project Site Visits-1

We encourage our donors, volunteers, staff, and board members to visit the project sites on their trips to India, Nepal, and Sri Lanka. Their feedback and pictures help us make our programs more efficient and effective.

Malendu Education and Rural Development Society, Karnataka

IDRF has provided a bus to Chandan School for children from nearby villages to attend the school.

"Before IDRF provided the bus, the unavailability of a safe transportation facility was discouraging several families from sending their children, especially girls to attend the school", Ramesh Rao, a long-time IDRF supporter visited the school with his family.



Vardan Sewa Sansthan, Uttar Pradesh

Donor Anita Kumar visited the Vardan Multi-Specialty Charitable Hospital in Village Garhi Dhargal, Ghaziabad. IDRF has supported the construction of the Pediatric ICU unit.



Samerth Charitable Trust, Chhattisgarh

Donors Cynthia Kramer and Dr. Emmanuel D'Silva have generously helped in the plantation drive of 10,000 fruit trees in the Kabirdham district.

Project Site Visits-2

Samerth Charitable Trust, Blind People's Association, and Thakersay Charitable Trust, Gujarat

IDRF's Operations Manager- Vandana Matravadia, visited Samerth's center for children with special needs in Ahmedabad.

IDRF set up the sensory room to provide therapies to 48 children.

Vandana visited project sites in Kutch, where 26 ponds have been constructed/revived in 2022 to increase water capacity and help local families to transition from being migrant laborers to small farmers.



At the vermicomposting site



IDRF had provided micro-credit to 70 families affected by the pandemic for setting up small petty businesses.

Vandana visited the sites for the construction of the eye hospital by the Blind People's Association in Meghraj and a multi-specialty hospital by Thakersay Charitable Trust in Ahmedabad.

What Donors and Partners are saying about us!

We have worked with IDRF over the past 6+months to fund schools, charities and NGOs in India. The experience has been exceptional. It is hard to find an organization more dedicated, more professional and more experienced than IDRF to help serve our charitable activities in India...

-Shankar Krishnan, President, ARSR Charitable Foundation, California, (Donor).

The IDRF has helped to raise and channelize funds for our new eye hospital... Their smooth efficiency has helped us to get our funds without any problem. Thousands of poor persons with eye problems will benefit due to this...

-Nandini, Executive Director, Blind People's Association, Gujarat, (Partner).

Read more interesting reviews at Greatnonprofits.org

Young Leaders in Community Service

A challenging hike to the Everest Base Camp to raise funds.



Anya with her parents and twin brother, Neil

Anya Sirimalle, an 8th-grade student from California, raised more than \$10,000 for Vatsalya Trust, an IDRF partner in India. Anya and her father hiked to Everest Base Camp 17,600 feet above sea level. Anya and her twin brother, Neil, were adopted from an orphanage managed by Vatsalya Trust, and she has a deep connection to the organization.

The challenging two-week hike provided her with an experience and a sense of accomplishment that she will cherish forever. The hike took approximately two weeks to complete and was no easy feat. The trek is known for its extreme altitude and challenging terrain, and Anya and her father had to prepare physically and mentally for the strenuous journey.



Awards and News/Media

Outstanding Humanitarian Award for COVID Relief Efforts by Greater Washington Association of Physicians of Indian Heritage ([GWAPI](#)), Washington DC.

[Dr. Vinod Prakash: Founder and President of India Development and Relief Fund](#), an interview in Be-Roll, July 11, 2022.

[10 Little Charities Making Big Impact on the World](#), by Andrew Gestalt, Listverse, May 20, 2022.

Sangam Talk Show: "South Asian Economy & Role of USA-based Non-Profit Organizations", Dr. Vinod Prakash, an interview on Facebook Live by Association of Bengalis Kansas City, March 26, 2022.

[Indian Tribal Care Trust Mobile Medical Unit](#), by Snigdhamayi Sudevi Devi Dasi, ISKCON News, February 12, 2022.

Future Projects- Help us Raise Funds for Our Programs.

Construction of Toilet and Bathrooms in Tamil Nadu: Swami Vivekananda Rural Development Society
100 units to be constructed in remote villages where government project has reached only 40%. Units are to be provided for families with 3-4 female members in order to save them the embarrassment and inconvenience of using open spaces. The cost to construct one toilet and bathroom is \$628.

Foundational Literacy and Numeracy in Rajasthan: Bodh Shiksha Samiti

Comprehensive development of math and language skills of 500 children (5-8 years) in six government school neighborhoods with predominantly marginalized populations. This is a 3-year project (2023-2026) and will cost \$26,000/year.

Empowerment of the Marginalized Parkar Koli Community in Gujarat: Samerth Charitable Trust

The vulnerable and marginalized Koli community in the Kutch district is unable to access government programs as they don't have basic ID documents. This project will help provide documents and open bank accounts for 648 families to access government benefits, healthcare services, education, and better livelihood options. This one-year project will cost \$22,500.

For more program details: please contact admin@idrf.org



A Smart Way to Avail of Tax-Deductions

IDRF offers Donor-Advised programs to make your dream of giving back to the needy, a reality. Make a charitable contribution to IDRF and receive an immediate tax deduction, and then recommend grants from your fund over time for your favorite cause/state to FCRA-approved charity in memory/honor of loved ones.

Your charitable gift will help several lives and leave them forever grateful...



A generous donor is raising funds for the construction of a 250-bed charitable hospital in Meghraj, Gujarat in the memory of his mother. This hospital will also serve people from Dungarpur, Rajasthan

Honoring the memory of IDRF's late Board Member Mr. Dileep Thatte Van for Rural Development Projects, Maharashtra

Thatte Family and Friends and IDRF have provided a multi-utility van and its operational costs for three years to Savitribai Phule Mahila Ekatma Samaj Mandal. The van is helping transport the NGO team members to the project sites in 6 districts, 450 villages, and 70 slums in Maharashtra.



IDRF's programs serve the disadvantaged without regards to race, religion, caste or creed.

IDRF Team

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Dr. Vinod Prakash	Chief Executive
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Donor Spotlight

Mr. Inder Sud, a former World Bank Director and President of the 1818 Society (2015-21), is a highly respected member of the Indian-American community in the Washington DC Metro Area. Over the years he and his wife Peggy have supported several projects in India through IDRF. In 2022, they supported the renovation of a hostel mess at Hans Raj Mahila Maha Vidyalaya in Jalandhar, Punjab with the help of the Udhampur Rotary Eye & General Welfare Foundation.



"I have been most impressed with IDRF and found it to be a highly efficient organization. It has a wonderful staff that is highly committed to the cause of poverty alleviation in India and neighboring countries. I greatly appreciate their due diligence and that they work with very low overheads."