

WHO DO YOU WANT? PARENTS OR SPOUSE?

A 70-year-old Sundaram (widower, the name changed), pushed out on the streets to live a lonely life.



Sundaram is a goldsmith; he used to work 14 hours a day to feed his only small family. In ten long years gap, he became a father for an only son. He loved his son so much that he worked hard to give his son the best. The boy was sent to English medium school along with other rich kids, a day came for his son to become independent with a good job and a beautiful wife. Within few months of his son's marriage, Sundaram was corned at home, by this time Sundaram drained his strength, not able to work anymore, and moreover, his eyes became dim. The new

daughter-in-law could not accept him anymore at home. Conflict erupted within husband and wife, this made him uncomfortable for Sundaram, where he takes a challenging step to come out of the family and live on the street. Now, he lives on the street by means of charity from the public. Added to this he is an asthma patient. Snehan is happy to reach out and support physically, mentally, and medically. Like

Mr.Sundaram, many old people suffer due to family rejection. We Snehan wants and got a plan to open home for the neglected disabled old people, wherein their last stage of life can have a peaceful life and happy death with dignity.

AN IRRESPONSIBLE HUSBAND DESTROY THE FAMILY

When you marry an irresponsible husband what happens to your life?

Family is a vital part of every person in this world. We all learn every good and every bad from our family and friends circle. Think about a person who grows in a less privileged family, where a father is an alcoholic addict, who doesn't care wife, children but his only focuses is pleasure? Another side mother struggles to feed her hungry kids. Can you imagine the mind statues of a mother and her children? When these children grow, what would be their mind-set or character? In India, every 1 in 3 women goes through domestic violence according to a WHO study.

I know a lady, at the time of her marriage she came with big wealth to her husband's home. The happiness could not stay more than 3 months for this woman; little by little

she could see the real color of her



husband. He would not go to work but steal money from family to drink and spent it in lavish ways. The woman would go through hell, every night with her husband. Soon, she gave birth to a baby and the needs became even more; every wealth she brought from her parent's home is washed in her husband's alcohol. Poverty and hunger are breaking in her home, still, the unchangeable husband remains the same and never understands the reality. Every day the cry of a woman can be heard on the streets. Now, who can take the responsibility for this woman and her kids?

Like my beneficiaries, there are so many family women who suffer violence due to irresponsible husbands. Many committed suicides due to violent torcher and many brave women struggle to bring up their kids. For such women, Snehan gives counseling support along with income-generating skills and employment opportunities. Join us to bring value to the lives of marginalized women.

WINE HAS DROWNED MORE MEN THAN THE SEA

"Wine has drowned more men than the sea" –THOMAS FULLER-

A woman comes back home, hungry and exhausted after a long day of work. Two of her kids are also hungry and crying for food. A little while later the mother opens her cupboard to pick up some money to buy provisions for a family meal but she finds only the empty money purse. Can the money be safe, if you live with an alcoholic person? What would be the priority for a drug addict, family, or his happiness?



Drunken man sleeping in the gutter in the mid-day

Pondicherry is a tourist place, where people come to enjoy their holidays with cheap and best food and liquor. The more affected ones are the local men. Thousands of family women suffer all through their life because of their husbands who are addicted to alcohol. The family women are pressured to survive along with their kids. They can't feed their kids, have no proper clothes nor shelter, huge struggle in giving education, many kids are school dropouts. These men coolly drink and drink and die before their time. The victim is the family woman and her kids. Who will take care of them?

SOCIAL BUSINESS TO SUSTAIN SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

One of the most sustainable activities for NGOs to continue their work is income-generating activities. Being a non-profit organization, we all depend on donors for every penny. Most of the time it's not possible to raise money for every requirement. Even if we find a donor, they may not pay for that particular expense, which is very essential for the NGO to continue. In this situation what do we do? We either use personal money or brow from someone! Think of a social business, which can generate income for the organization that could meet the extra expense of your NGO and creates employment opportunities for your beneficiaries.



Yes, Mr.Anumuthu, founder of Snehan reached kanthari, on September 5th to learn entrepreneur skills or Social Business Activities. In this 40 day-long course, he would learn the social business aspect in-depth, what products to produce? What are the needs? What is the budget? How to brand? How to market? What is the cost price? What is the selling price? And who much is the profit margin? It's very clear after the completion of the course; he would come back with basic knowledge to start the planned and learned social business.

Snehan takes the opportunity to thank kanthari for giving us the great opportunity in learning and empowering us for sustainable living.

Dear Friends,

The Snehan activities would not be possible without your help and contribution. Therefore, on behalf of all our beneficiaries and board members, we say thank you very much for your support. Do share our quarterly newsletter with your friends...

We need your financial support to start Snehan home for the neglected old and sick adults on streets. Do support us to bring values and save lives of old people.

We are looking for committed and likeminded volunteers to support us in Snehan activities, interested candidates can apply through Snehan

website. <http://snehan.org/volunteer/>

With warmest regards,

The Snehan team and Anumuthu.

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