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“Never worry about numbers. Help one person at a time and always start with the person nearest to you.”

— MOTHER TERESA



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INTRODUCTION

HISTORY OF M S INTERNATIONAL, INC.

Manu and Rika Shah founded MSI in 1975, in the basement of their home in Ft. Wayne, Indiana. MSI is now the largest importer and distributor in the world of Premium Surfaces including granite, marble, porcelain and ceramic tiles, slate, travertine, limestone and other natural stone products from 37 countries. Most notably, MSI provided the granite for the Vietnam Memorial in DC.

Manu and Rika Shah established Sarva Mangal Family Trust (Sarva Mangal means 'let all be happy' in Sanskrit) over 20 years ago with compassion as their driving force for philanthropy. Manu's vision for SMFT is to act as a catalyst, challenge status quo, nurture passionate change-makers and support leapfrogging ideas that are scalable and sustainable. Today, all members from the Shah family are involved in social impact initiatives that are undertaken by SMFT. Manu supports VOSAP – Voice of Specially Abled People, which has created over 10,000 change makers and rated over 18,000 buildings rated for accessibility. He also supports Lend a hand India, which provides digital vocational training to over 300,000 students in 20,000 schools.

In 2007, Mr. Manu Shah was named Ernst & Young's national "Entrepreneur of the Year" in the distribution, manufacturing, and security category.

ABOUT SARVA MANGAL FAMILY TRUST

Established in 1994 by the Founders of M S International, Inc. The mission of the Sarva Mangal Family Trust is to improve and strengthen the health, education and wellness of communities and help them prepare for global jobs of the 21st century. Sarva Mangal is a Sanskrit word which means "Goodness to All."

To advance this mission, the Sarva Mangal Family Trust has donated to and is continuing to work with various organizations and programs in health promotion and prevention, assisting victims of domestic violence, empowering seniors, entrepreneurship, technological literacy, community activism, and children's education.

MONTHLY HIGHLIGHTS



SMFT SUPPORTS A LARGE SCALE SOCIAL IMPACT INITIATIVE IN AFRICA

SMFT aims to increase social impact activities in Nairobi and other parts of Africa covering preventive healthcare, education and employment generation with the help of small-scale nonprofits and young social entrepreneurs. Through Resolution Project, we aim to identify and support 130 Nonprofits and Social Entrepreneurs from Kenya and Rest of Africa that work in areas relevant to SMFT. The Resolution Project will setup 3 Social Innovation Hubs with headquarters in Nairobi, Kenya and other locations in Africa that will serve as a Launchpad for the most impactful NGO's and Social Entrepreneurs.

PHILANTHROPY IN DECEMBER'21

LESTONNAC FREE CLINIC



Lestonnac Free Clinic's mission is to provide free health care services to low-income and uninsured residents in Southern California, through the support of generous volunteers and donors. Their vision is to expand the health care safety net to marginalized communities through collaboration and partnerships. They have over 300 volunteer providers and 400 volunteer professionals who donate their time and skills to provide free medical, dental, and vision healthcare to uninsured and low-income families. In 2020, they provided free medical and dental to 7,035 patients through 27,581 visits. SMFT donated a mobile van with pre-installed telemedicine equipment for patient assessment using technology to provide free healthcare services to uninsured and low income families.



MY PRIVATE PROFESSOR



My Private Professor is an innovative platform that helps all students reach their greatest potential. They provide customized, academic support for students, families, organizations, & companies through a range of educational resources, including individualized tutoring, group academic support, curated classes, & concierge services to support clients of all sizes & needs. With an elite team of tutors hailing from top universities across the country, MPP is a one stop platform committed to serving academic needs of all students, from kindergarten to graduate school. Their mission is to ensure that all students have access to educational resources and they pride themselves in giving back to support opportunities for youth in underserved communities. SMFT partnered with my private professor to provide free tutoring lessons from underserved communities to inspire & empower today's students to achieve their potential and lead tomorrow's world.



PHILANTHROPY IN DECEMBER'21

UCP OF ORANGE COUNTY



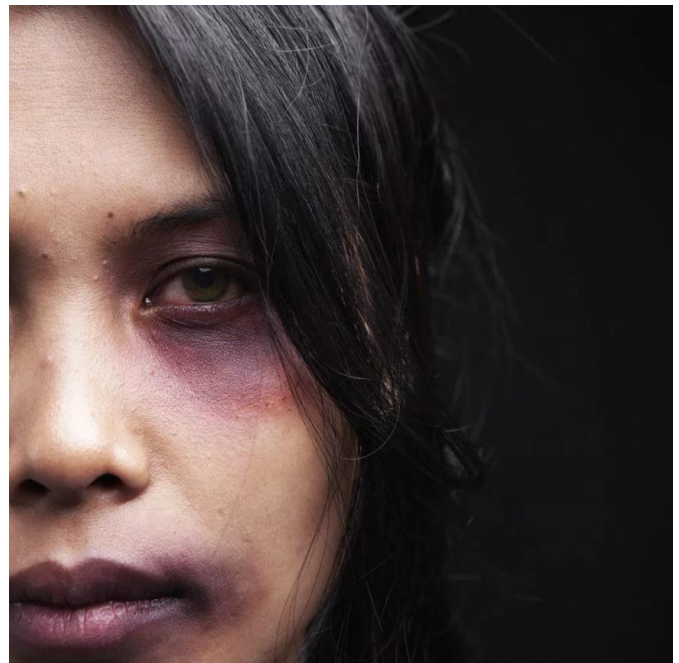
United Cerebral Palsy of Orange County has been serving children with disabilities and their families in the community since 1953. Their commitment is to help children with disabilities reach their full potential and improve the quality of life for their families. UCP-OC now provides specialized care for more than 5,300 children and families each year. They are one of the only organizations in Orange County delivering comprehensive support for children with disabilities and their families. Their services are critical to closing developmental gaps and empowering families to care for their child's special needs. They serve children with a wide range of developmental disabilities and delays. SMFT donated in kind to UCP of OC in support of their facility move and expanded "Life Without Limits" Pediatric Therapy Center.



SAHARA



SAHARA serves survivors of all forms of abuse within the South Asian community in Southern California with culturally sensitive and linguistically specific services. They firmly believe that every human being regardless of age, gender, ethnicity, and sexual orientation, deserves to live a life of dignity and respect. They are committed to serving the growing number of South Asians in Southern California by providing them with services, support, skill development, resources, information and culturally sensitive and multilingual assistance that they need. Programs offered by SAHARA include gender based violence/shelter, elder care services, legal services. Citizenship, mental health and youth program. With the donations given by SMFT SAHARA has been able to provide care and support to 3,000 women and mental health support to 900 seniors.



NGO IN FOCUS FOR DECEMBER'21 – THE RESOLUTION PROJECT



The Resolution Project works with young people to build a lifetime of impact, starting today. At the core of our work is the Resolution Fellowship, which provides seed funding and lifelong support to promising young leaders on the path of social entrepreneurship. We identify these leaders early on, help them launch their first social impact ventures, and stick with them as they grow. This proven model has supported the growth of over 600 Fellows across six continents and over 80 countries. Through Resolution, social entrepreneurs who are just starting out receive unmatched guidance and wisdom from a team of partners, volunteers, and innovative peers around the globe.

Updates and Achievements:

- **Programs**

- a. Africa Regional Social Venture Challenge** - Through Sarva Mangal Family Trust support, Resolution Project will be holding its Africa Regional Social Venture Challenge virtually on January 28th and 29th. The event will be hosted by Resolution's Nairobi Innovation Hub and will invite young people from across the African continent to pitch their solutions to challenges facing their communities. Resolution anticipates awarding 10-15 new Resolution Fellows and supporting 5-7 social ventures from across sub-Saharan Africa.
- b. Impact Updates** - Resolution's team conducted its annual impact evaluation process. Resolution's 500+ Fellows have cumulatively impacted over 4.6 million direct and indirect beneficiaries (an increase of over 1.7 million beneficiaries since our last survey a year ago, showing immense resilience throughout the pandemic). Of that total, over 1.4 million beneficiaries are on the African continent, and MSI's generous support will advance the critical support we offer those Fellows that will amplify their efforts and reach.
- c. Celebrating Young Leaders and Leadership** - On October 28th, Resolution brought its community together at the Prince George Ballroom in New York City, for its first in-person fundraising event since the beginning of the COVID-19 pandemic. The Geraldine Acuña-Sunshine Young Leaders Now Award Dinner was an inspirational and energetic evening dedicated to youth leadership and — for the first time — the outstanding service of some of longtime volunteers via the inaugural Founders Award. This fundraising event welcomed over 100 guests and honored Michele Parmelee, Chief People and Purpose Officer of Deloitte Global; Ohad Elhelo, Founder of Our Generation Speaks; and Andrew Harris and Kelsey Over by, both longtime Resolution volunteers.

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- d. **Innovation Hub Activities** - While the omicron variant is limiting in-person gatherings, Resolution's Innovation Hubs in Nairobi and Kigali continue to offer valuable virtual programming and networking to impact-focused young leaders in Kenya and Rwanda.
- e. **Important Milestones** – Sarva Mangal Family Trust was the catalyst for Resolution to reach several important moments at the close of this year and will allow us to open the year with several important announcements: the successful completion of a million dollar capacity-building campaign, an introduction to the organization's new brand, commitments to programmatic advancements for 2022, and the public announcement of our partnership with MSI and the new impact evaluations numbers shared above.



SUCCESS STORY – THE RESOLUTION PROJECT



Name: Joyline Chepokorir

Program: Mwangaza Cancer Initiative

Location: Kenya

The Mwangaza Cancer Initiative provides training for marginalized women in Kenya on methods for early detection of breast and cervical cancer. It also connects these women to community resources where they can receive free or low-cost screenings and treatment once their cancer is detected.

Since the onset of COVID-19, Mwangaza Cancer Initiative successfully ran cancer education and awareness activities virtually. They conducted a Q and A series featuring cancer experts from Kenya and the US to help answer challenging questions about breast and cervical cancer. . We will have a similar webinar at the end of this month and we invited a breast cancer researcher and medical doctor and breast cancer survivors - they will be instrumental in educating attendees on breast cancer and sharing relevant first-hand experiences.

In August, they partnered with a county hospital in Kenya to donate much-needed cervical cancer screening equipment to benefit approximately 50 women. This was the first phase of their project aimed at promoting cervical cancer screening among women from underserved communities.

“Being a Resolution Fellow made me find my niche in breast and cervical cancer prevention and control,” says Joyline. “It is for this reason that I decided to pursue a PhD in nursing at Johns Hopkins University, focusing on breast and cervical cancer prevention in Sub-Saharan Africa.”

SUCCESS STORY – VOICE OF SPECIALLY ABLED PEOPLE



Name: Satish Shah

Program: Individual Enablement with Assistive Devices

Satish Shah is a victim of prosthetic challenges since birth. He is not able to walk, gets fit attacks frequently and does not have clear vocal speech. Thus, experiences multiple physical challenges, but having a clearly noble thought process of being helpful to his family and the society.

Satish is now around 35 years old. His thought process of being self-dependent got a big boost. During one of the camps of Voice of Specially Abled People, he received a tricycle. The tricycle is

now an integral part of his daily life. Satish sells incense sticks using the tricycle. He sits at the center of the tricycle and keeps bundles of incense sticks to his left and right-hand side. Spacious tricycle is making selling of incense sticks easier. He daily sells around 10 - 15 packets with which he earns around 100 - 150 rupees a day. Thus, earns around Rs 3,000 – Rs 4,000 in a month.

Now, this young and mentally energetic person is aspiring to be a “Big Man”. He wants to earn lots of money and he knows that his education up to grade 4 cannot help him achieve his dream. So, he wants to get educated and expand his boundaries because now, with his tricycle he can go easily, wherever he wants!

Thus, a fantastic initiative of Voice of Specially Abled People to distribute Assistive Devices has bought happiness, self-reliance, smiles, aspirations and a big hope to achieve more. Voice of Specially Abled People Beneficiary Satish Shah is winning hearts and is helping his family.

SUCCESS STORY – AMERICAN INDIA FOUNDATION



Name: Rizwana

Project: Market Aligned Skills Training

Location: Mysore, Karnataka

Rizwana is from a family of 5 members comprising of father, mother, sisters and brothers. She was married at the age of 20. Her husband is an electrician by profession. Everything in their life was going well until the pandemic hit them like many others around the world. Due to the lockdown he lost all his electrician contracts. As a result of which, the family faced financial constraints but Rizwana was determined to not let this situation affect the

education of her children.

With the help of the mobilization team at the American India Foundation Market Aligned Skills Training Center, she came to know about their center and the skill development courses that they offer and soon got enrolled into the fashion designing course. She is a quick learner and absorbed stitching skills accurately. After completing the course, with the support of her husband she has started her business with which she earns up to Rs 5000 to 6000 per month on a regular basis.

She truly believes when ambition fuels your desire to succeed, you're virtually unstoppable. Now she is being able to provide uninterrupted education for her kids as they continue going to school. She renders her heartfelt gratitude to SMFT, American India Foundation, and Sparsha Trust for making her livelihood better.

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