

Handi-Care Intl.

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SEASONS GREETINGS To all our friends and supporters

Mr. Sankara Raman of Amar Seva Sangam wins the 2005 Helen Keller Award instituted by the National Centre for Promotion of Employment for Disabled People (NCPEDP). He will receive the award on Dec. 2nd at New Delhi.

Sankara Raman takes this opportunity to convey his heartfelt gratitude to all HCI donors who have made a difference in the lives and livelihoods of several disabled youth. This award pertains to training and procuring employment for disabled youth who otherwise would be deprived of a decent life. HCI takes pride in announcing that you have sponsored 25 such youth in 2005, 20 in 2004 & 2003. See the section below on Sponsor A Youth.

You have made a difference in the life of a child.

Some of you are already **Life-Time Sponsors of children**. School and medical reports from June 2005 are posted on the web site. Please click [Life-Time](#) to view your sponsored child and their progress.

You have also sponsored the education of 27 children at [Maithri](#) and rehab of 28 mentally challenged children at [Nesam](#). Please click the highlighted words above to view details.

This has been done every year for the past 4 years from your general donations.

You have so far contributed to support 140 days of a year under the **Meal For A Day** program. As per our promise the disabled children have been receiving the feeding every year on the date chosen by you. Please [see the list](#) here.

[Sponsor A Youth \(SAY\)](#)

(Please click above for program details)

With less than \$2 (Canadian) per day, you can sponsor a disabled youth to be trained and made self-reliant for life.

Disabled high school graduates between the ages 18 and 25 are carefully chosen based on their individual abilities and opportunities and given vocational training in Computers, Mechanical repairs, Typing, Data Entry, Sewing, Crafts and so on.

With your sponsorship, disabled youth can "stand on their own feet" and go on to live a successful life. For example:

- Ms. Gomathy is now working as a Telephone Operator.
- Mr. Udayakumar is working in Tirunelveli in a Civil construction company.
- Ms. Arunmozhi is now working as a computer operator near Srivilliputhur.
- Ms. Samsath Begum is now employed as a Data Entry Operator in Madurai.

Click on [success stories](#) to see more examples.

Email or call us today to support one youth under this program. You just need \$600 (Canadian or \$495 US) for a full year of training including boarding & lodging.

Placement of Volunteers

During this year, ten volunteers worked on Handi-care International Projects. Of the ten, four were medical students from University of Western Ontario, through India Health Initiative; the other six participated directly through Handi-care International.

Volunteers benefit immensely from the placement in terms of work experience, sense of accomplishment in directly helping the disabled and the experience of traveling and learning.

Please click on [volunteer placements](#) to see a sampling of the comments and photographs from the 2005 cadre of volunteers and to see how you or someone known to you can apply for volunteer placement in 2006.

Handi-Care's Board

The following volunteers were appointed to the Board on October 16, 2005.

Pancha Sankaran, President
Sulochana Krishnamurthy, Vice President
Srin B. Srinivasan, Secretary
Sundra Rajan, Treasurer
Arun Luthra, Assistant Treasurer
Meena Suppiah, Director
Kumar Subramanian, Director
Usha Mathivanan, Director

