

## Keep kids in school - Provide scholarship

Drop out from school after 8<sup>th</sup> grade become too high in Tiruvallur, Tamil nadu. The reason behind this drop out is that the parents are unable to educate their children further and main reason is that the labor officers cannot stop their children from work. When children complete 14 years they are officially allowed to work and no one can question about going to work.

The poor parents are waiting for their children to complete 14 years. Soon after they complete 14 years, they go to employers and get advance to send their children to work. This is where the children become bonded labor. At the age of 14 of their children, the parents who went to work, gradually decreases their work and children become main source of income and their family condition won't allow them to think of continuing education.



Their wings are cut and nailed to work. The freeness goes off and they go to work from 7 am to 7 pm. This is the timing of embroidery units in our place. The whole day they sit and do embroidery. Their legs and fingers are getting crippled. They work all 7 days in a week.

Due to globalization, our area Sriperumbudur and Sunguvarchathram are rowed with multi-national companies. Major companies like Hyundai, Ford, caparo, lanzar, Motorola, Samsung, Nokia and many more companies are located in our area. If these children continue their studies till 12<sup>th</sup> grade, they can get a well paid, respectable job with 8 hours of work. This kind of work can give them access to continue their education through correspondence.

Now Sriperumbudur and Sunguvarchathram are fastest growing industrial area, We invite all people of good will to join us in our work to educate these under privileged children till 12<sup>th</sup> grade, save and bring change in their lives by providing scholarship for 250 children @ \$60 one time.

**What one parent says :**



**My name is Girija. I am living in satharai village near to kilacheri. I am a widow and having four female children. Elder daughter is aging 14 years and younger children are aging 12, 11 and 9. My daughter priya is going to complete 9<sup>th</sup> grade this year and others are going to complete 6<sup>th</sup> grade, 5<sup>th</sup> grade and 4<sup>th</sup> grade.**

**My family was middle class and we were having 4 acres of agricultural land, few years back. My husband was agriculture labor. Due to scarcity of water, we were unable to cultivate. My husband was addicted to alcohol and chain smoker of beedies too. Due this habit, he soled three acres of land. Four years back, my husband fell severely ill and from doctor, we came to know that he is suffering from throat cancer. For his treatment, I soled the left out land of one acre for lower rate and gave treatment. Since he was in final stage, he died leaving me with two children.**

**At the time of his demise, I was left with Rs.5000 and two jewels; I was able to send my children to school till last year and pay tuition fee and school kit. Now I started working in two houses as dish washer and earn Rs.400 p.m. which is not sufficient for our daily bread. Now I am left with one choice that is sending my elder daughter to work so that at least I can able to send others to school. But my daughter always scores better marks in her school.**

**If some one helps my children to study, I can go for more houses to wash dishes and earn little more to feed my children.**

**Now 2009-10 academic year is over and schools will start in June. Will you keep them in school?**

**This project will start at school re-opening in june , 2010.**

**GIVE VISION WITH MISSION**

