



It was in 1962 that a young Jesuit priest decided to try and overcome the problem of homelessness with a bold experiment. Convinced that what the children—even the most hardened delinquents—needed most was a home and affection; he set about giving them just that.

The first Snehasadan home was set up in a make-shift hut in Kajuwadi-Chakala, Andheri East (North of Mumbai) in 1962.

On 4th April, 1963, the second Snehasadan home was started with a childless couple as houseparents in Gundowli village in a rented building with donated materials. The idea seemed to have caught and Snehasadan's experiment was on its way. The expansion now was sustained and supported by many well-wishers.

In 1964, Holy Cross Church at Kurla, offered Snehasadan a third home in its compound. It was in a low-lying area and could not survive the monsoon. But the next year on 5th May, 1965 on a donated land in Mogra village (Jogeshwari East), the fourth home was opened with twenty-five boys to relieve the overcrowding at the other homes. This expansion continued and today we have 7 residential homes for boys and 5 for girls in different parts of Mumbai.



**Annual Report**  
**2021-22**

# VISION

To provide every child on the street a home of love.

# MISSION

To be a home for homeless children, regardless of caste or creed, provide a shelter for the numberless homeless, orphans, waifs, destitute and delinquents who roam almost every quarter of Mumbai City.

# OBJECTIVES

To give care, protection, education,  
And to rehabilitate socially handicapped children,  
Orphans, destitute, waifs, abandoned children  
And children in vulnerable situations.

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## **A DAY OUT IN THE RAIN & RESORT**

A day picnic was arranged for the house parents and the staff. It was a memorable day as the picnic spot was in the green jungles of Palghar district. The day was spent together with fun games, joys and laughter. It was a day to be with each other and share the success and difficulties of the mission with each other. All enjoyed the picnic and got refreshed to take up the new challenges in the mission.



# About Us

## **Trustees**

Fr. Arun D'Souza SJ  
(Chairman)  
Fr. Noel Pinto SJ (Director)  
Fr. Anthony Toscano SJ  
Fr. George Rosario SJ

## **The Managing Team**

Fr. Wellington Patil SJ (Assist. Dir.)  
Fr. Frankline Colaco SJ (Assist. Dir.)

## **Social Workers**

Sweelta D'Monte – P.O.  
Sayali Birmole – P.O.  
Sanjana – P.O.  
Sujata Kondulker – P.O.  
Shree Goel – Counselor

## **Admin Staff**

Justice Gonsalves - Adm. Staff  
Odiliya Swami - Adm. Staff  
Devika Chavan – Adm. Staff.  
Rakesh Golani - Poen  
Michael Rocha – Driver

## **Para-Social Workers**

### **Nivara**

Pravina Joshi  
Kamlakar Shinde

### **Amchi Kholi**

Nanda Vanzare

## House Parents

### House No. 3

Mr. Suresh Ganpur

Ms. Shruti Ganpur

### House No. 4

Mr. Francis Aranha

Ms. Jacinta Aranha

### House No. 5

Mr. Raju Jogeshwar

Ms. Sanjana Jogeshwar

### House No. 6

Mr. Bharath Patel

Ms. Kailash Patel

### House No. 7

Mr. Prasad Nair

Ms. Chanchal Nair

### House No. 8

Sr. Benedicta Mary

Sr. Jayanti

Sr. Fatima

### House No. 9

Sr. Mercy

Sr. Teresa

Sr. Conzita Gaurya

### House No. 10

Sr. Lucy

Sr. Maggie

Sr. Jovina

### House No. 11

Mr. Robert Aranha

Mrs. . Nathalina Aranha

### House No. 12

Sr. Tejashwini

Sr. Cyrilla

Sr. Somya

### House No. 15

Sr. Gracy Fernandes

Sr. Nirmala

### House No. 16

Sr. Pushplata

Sr. Sonika

## Different Events of the Year

### Holiday Camp

Summer and Diwali Lonavala holiday camp is always filled with joy and happiness. 30 day camp is divided into two parts: 15 days for girls and 15 days for boys. It is a time to relax, spend time with each other, make new friends, play different games, walk to different points, and track to Lohagad and other sites. The children themselves are the participants and organizers for it. The staff members play the role of facilitators and the House Parents look after the food department. The camp gives children opportunity to learn many things and explore new avenues in life.



### 59th Anniversary Celebration

Snehasadan has hit 59! Yes, it's the 59<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Snehasadan! Fifty Nine years of love and care! A small sapling planted by the dynamic Bombay Jesuits in 1962 has now become a mighty tree with its 12 branches. Numerous homeless children, orphans, destitutes, and children living on the streets of Mumbai have taken shelter under this tree. They have experience bliss and their lives have blossomed. Thus, many Ex-children of Snehasadan came to relive their experiences on the 3<sup>rd</sup> of July, at Divine Child School Hall. The program started with the Holy Eucharist, followed by a cultural event. Girls from House Number 9 trained by Mrs. Madhulika, welcomed the guests with Kathak Dance. A street play on Snehasadan was performed by the children of House Numbers 03,04,07 and 10 on the theme, "Snehasadan – A Home" and stole the hearts of everyone. The play was written by Mr. Juran Lopes. Our children were also trained by Mr. Juran Lopes and his team.

Different houses of Snehasadan performed Bollywood or Western dances. House Number 8 girls gave a special performance, Yoga Dance. On this day, we also felicitated all the children who passed their SSC, HSC, NIOS and professional course exams. Those who scored well in their respective examination were also given scholarships. Our special gratitude to Advanz Pharma for sponsoring the entire event. We also thank our individual well-wishers for sponsoring the gifts for children, who have passed SSC, HSC, and other exams.



## Seminars - Study skills, personality development, and exams preparation

Education is one of the important aspects of children's life. Snehasadan aims to give children a good education as well as help them develop life skills so that they are helped to build their lives and future.

This year we had a number of sessions focusing on education, health and goal setting in life. For all the children appearing for the SSC, HSC, NIOS, and Graduation exams. Mrs. Sneha Kambli gave a session on 'Stress Management'. Fr. Andrew Rodrigues, S.J., the Principal of Holy Family School & Junior College conducted two sessions on Study Skills and Healthy Preparation for exams. Employees from Barkley, Gartner and other individual volunteer groups and individuals conducted sessions on various topics. These sessions motivated children to focus on their studies and to prepare for the future.



## Raksha Bandhan

'Raksha Bandhan' is the day to celebrate the bond of affection, love, and respect between brothers and sisters. There are many siblings in Snehasadan. In order to celebrate this grace-filled occasion, we had a Raksha Bandhan celebration for the children on our campus. All the siblings from different Snehasadan homes came to the Chakala office. It was wonderful to see a sister tie Rakhi to her brother's hand. It was also a time when both brothers and sisters spent time with each other. We are grateful to Fr. John Rose for allowing us to use the Xavier's campus hall for this celebration.



## Diwali

Diwali is celebrated in India as a festival of lights, happiness, and prosperity. It is celebrated with family, neighbours, and friends. We, the children of

Snehasadan, celebrate Diwali with great joy and enthusiasm in all our houses, along with our caretakers, donors, well-wishers, and benefactors. For us, it is a time to have lots of fun, eat lots of sweets, and clean and decorate our houses with serial lights, rangolis, diyas, new clothes, and mehndi for our hands. This year, we also got new jewelry along with new dresses. Different houses celebrated it differently by organizing various programs. The Boys were at the Lonavala camp. They too celebrated Diwali by making rangolis and lighting diyas on campus. In the evening, the children conducted a special prayer. After supper, there was a time given to sing and dance. We thank all our benefactors and well-wishers for making this celebration possible.



## Family day

Family life is one of the most important aspects of a person's development. One cannot replace the family with anything else. In Snehasadan, we work towards creating and providing a healthy family atmosphere for our children to grow emotionally, spiritually, physically, and intellectually. Snehasadan has 12 Homes. These homes are situated in different parts of the suburbs of Mumbai City. 'Family Day' is a day when children come together and celebrate as a Snehasadan Family. This year, "Family Day" was celebrated on, 28<sup>th</sup> December 2021, with the theme, **"Family Gives You Roots to Stand Tall and Strong"**. It was a day filled with different activities. Each House performed a dance on a different social theme. These dances were well choreographed and performed. The theme was further explored in the fancy dress competition. All the houses prepared themselves well for the event. Mr. Bhavesh from Advanz Pharma was the Chief Guest and Mr. Pranav Parekh was the Guest of Honor. The program concluded with the prize distribution for the different competitions – Crib, dance, and fancy-dress competitions. The event was sponsored by Advanz Pharma.



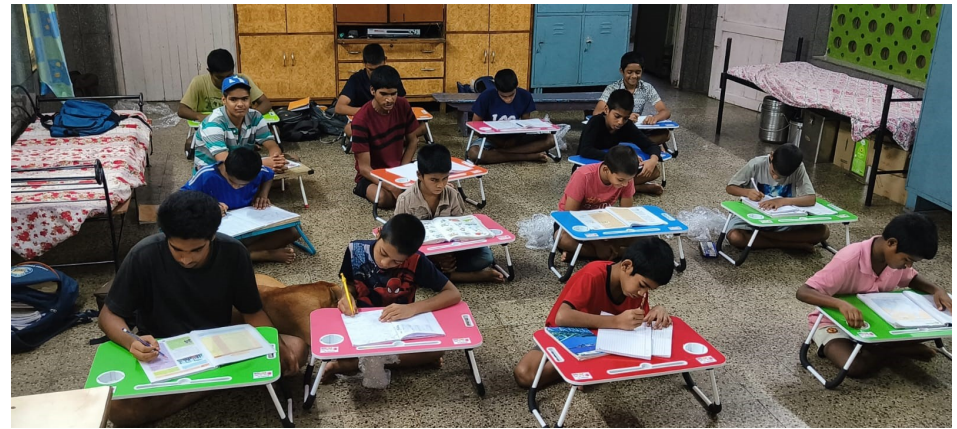
## Homecoming Day

Snehasadan has a wonderful tradition. Every year on 26<sup>th</sup> January, most of our Ex-Snehasadan children return to Snehasadan to relive their days here. It is a day when Ex-children of Snehasadan come together to celebrate life. The day is filled with a lot of fun games and sharing of their experiences. This year, 200 Ex Snehasadan children and their family members attended this program. Ex Snehasadan children came from faraway places like Hyderabad, Panipat, and other parts of Maharashtra. The day was filled with different games and activities. Fr. Noel welcomed everyone and Fr. Wellington presented the annual report for the year.



## TOTAL NUMBER OF CHILDREN

	Children	Percentage
Boys	125	53%
Girls	91	47%
<b>Total</b>	<b>216</b>	<b>100%</b>



## ADMISSIONS AND RESTORATIONS

APRIL 2022—MARCH 2023	Girls	Boys	Total
New Admissions in 2022-23	10	19	29
Restorations in 2022- 23	7	18	25



## ACADEMIC RECORD

	Boys	Girls
School	112	73
Jr. College	05	07
Sr. College	02	02
Vocational	04	02
Professional	00	03
Working	02	04
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>125</b>	<b>91</b>



# ACTIVITIES AT THE CONTACT CENTRES

## Nivara

'Nivara' Snehasadan Contact Centre was started on August 25, 1999. Nivara Centre is located just outside the Borivili railway station (East). The Centre caters to children who stay at the Borivali Railway platform, pavement and roadside with their families. These children come to the Centre and we provide them with basic education, food and also help them enrolled into the Briharmumbai Municipal Schools. The Centre also arranges different programs for their development. Material help is provided to the families of these children. Our Social Workers their also help the families obtain their documents such as Aadhar card, Pan card and Ration Card. Nivara Contact Centre focuses on migrant and homeless familes. Nivara staff does outreach to Borivali Railway Station to look for any child in distress. Such a child is handed over to the parents with the help of the railway authority or presented to the CWC for further procedures.

This year two of our students from the Centre cleared SSC and one has taken admission for Junior college and the other for Four Wheel Mechanic. Snehasadan will continue to help these students.



## Nivara Centre Academic Status

Children	1st	2nd	3rd	5th	6th	8th	10th	Total
Boys	2	1	-	-	1	-	2	6
Girls	2	1	1	2	-	1	-	7
<b>Total</b>	4	2	1	2	1	1	2	13

## Children found on the railway station during outreach

Total Number of Children	Restored to Family with the help of appropriate authority	Referred to NGOs with the order of CWC
33	09	24

### Activities:

Study classes for the children.  
 Visits to the school.  
 Enrolling Children in the school.  
 Children Day.  
 Celebrating different festivals.  
 Visiting families of the children.  
 Aadhar Card Camp.  
 Bank Account opening.  
 Outreach to railway platform.  
 Outreach near metro stations.  
 Visiting different institutes.  
 Counselling to the children.

### Volunteers:

Students from College of Social Work Nirmala Niketan.  
 Students from Diploma in Social Work.  
 Social Work students from IGNU.  
 College students.  
 Individual Volunteers.

# ACTIVITIES AT THE CONTACT CENTRES

## Amchi Kholi - BalAshray

Amchi Kholi was started in 1989 at the Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Terminus (C.S.M.T.) premises. We work here in collaboration with the Central Railway Women's Welfare Organisation (C.R.W.W.O.) now known as C.W.S.S., CRPF and RPF. About 20 to 25 children drop in at this Centre to avail of the facilities provided there. The children belong to migrant community and daily labourers from surrounding areas. Here our social workers do outreach at the station, visits slums and cater to homeless children. Children are given classes and those children who are not going to school are also enrolled in the neighboring schools and made sure that they attend the school regularly and come to the centre for help in their studies.

The Social Workers, with the permission of the authority, survey the railway platform and look for the children in distress, lost or runaway from home. Any case found on the platform is reported to the appropriate authority and upon approval from the authority taken to the child in need and protection is taken to the CWC.



## Amchi Kholi Children Academic Status

Children	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	Total
Boys	2	-	-	2	-	2	-	1	7
Girls	3	2	1	3	5	3	2	-	19
Total	5	2	1	5	5	5	2	1	26

## Children found on the railway station during outreach

Total Number of Children	Restored to Family	Referred to NGOs with the order of CWC
56	37	19

### Activities:

Study Classes for the children.

Art and Craft.

Children day Celebration.

Seminars on health and hygiene for children and women.

Celebration of different festivals.



### Volunteers:

Students from St. Xavier's College, Fort.

Students from College of Social Work Nirmala Niketan, Churchgate.

Students from Goregaon, Diploma in Social Work.

Individual Volunteers.

# Educational Institutions Where Our Children Study

## Schools

St. Aloysius High School, Gorai  
 St. Joseph High School, Uttan  
 Gorai BMC School, Gorai  
 St. Blaise High School, Andheri West  
 St. Catherine High School, Andheri West  
 Dawoodbaug Municipal BMC School, Andheri West  
 St. John's High School, Marol, Andheri East  
 Holy Family High School, Chakala, Andheri East.  
 Marol BMC School, Marol, Andheri East  
 Sri Shri Ghanshyamdas Poddar Vidyalaya, JB Nagar, Andheri East.  
 Veravali BMC School, Andheri East.  
 Canossa High School, Andheri East  
 Suvidya Centre of Special Education, Jogeswari East.  
 Sunflower High School, Jogeswari West.  
 Gundavli BMC School, Andheri East  
 Shankarwadi BMC School, Jogeshwari East  
 Dr. Radhakrishnan BMC School, Andheri East  
 Bal Govind Vidyalaya, Andheri East  
 Swami Vivekanand High School, Joeshwari East  
 Shramik Vidyalaya, Jogeshwari East

## Colleges/Institutions

St. Teresa's Institute of Education, Santacruz.  
 St. Andrew's College, Bandra.  
 Davar'S College of Commerce Secretarial Studies & Service,  
 Churchgate  
 College of Home Science, Nirmala Niketan, Churchgate  
 Shri M.D. Shah Mahila College of Arts and Commerce, Malad  
 Shrinivas Bagarka Jr. College and S. P. D. T Degree College,  
 Chakala, Andheri East.  
 Divine Child Jr. College, Andheri East  
 Valia College of Arts, Commerce And Science, Andheri West  
 Society of the Helpers of Mary Kripa Academy for skills, Andheri  
 West  
 St. Xavier's College Mumbai  
 Don Bosco Institute, Kurla  
 Don Bosco Institute, Boriwali  
 L.S. Raheja College Of Arts & Commerce, Santacruz  
 Sathaye College, Vile Parle  
 Bhavan's College, Andheri West  
 J.D. Ambekar College of Hotel Management, Parel

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