MARIALAYA
ANNUAL REPORT
2016-2017

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Dear friends,

Greetings from Marialaya, Chennai...!!

It gives me great joy to know that Marialaya with Divine blessing completing its 26 years of blessing for its excellent and fruitful service to the children, young girls and women at risk.

Marialaya rendered various services which includes shelter home, Open Shelter, Vocational Training centers, formal and Non formal education centers, rescue and rehabilitation of children who are in distress situation, Self Help Groups, Youth club, prove the deep involvement and love towards restoration of lost human dignity of the last, least, lost brethren of this society.

At the outset I would like to express my joy with you all as we have entered this New Year. At the start of this New Year I invite you to remember our past with gratitude and stimulate our future developmental works.

“I would like to express my colossal gratitude to our benefactors, well-wishers and our staffs who are always there in every part of Marialaya’s activities. I once again feel Proud and happy for the wonderful work we are doing.

With good wishes, prayers and God’s blessing

Sr. Mary Dora Stanislaus
Marialaya ~ Director.
ABOUT MARIALAYA:

It is a non-governmental organization run by the Salesian Sisters of Don Bosco in the city of Chennai. Marialaya works for the rehabilitation of street and Slum girls in the northern parts of the city of Chennai, since August 1990. Marialaya, Chennai is a registered organization under Tamil Nadu societies Registration Act 147/1990. It aims and working in restoring human dignity, by creating conducive climate and offering necessary opportunities and facilities for the street and destitute runaway girls.

The organization works in 20 major locations of North Chennai, covering 800 street children in 20 centers within the age group in between 6 and 18. Marialaya works with a plethora of groups like street children working as rag pickers, petty hawkers, orphaned youth, street youth, runaway youth and youth in difficult circumstances, beggars and unwed mothers and has felt the need to equip them socially and culturally and enable them to come into the national mainstream. Marialaya works for the prevention, rehabilitation and empowerment of the street dwellers, especially the young girls children, women and young boys. For the past two decades, Marialaya works in promoting life with dignity through various programs like Children’s Parliament, Skill training, Vocational training, Capacity building, Education assistance, Legal assistance, Shelter home etc.

MISSION:

The Mission of Marialaya is to focus on the integral growth of the marginalized children, youth and women by building resilience among them in upholding their rights, through which they get life in its fullness.

VISION:

Towards forming a well-versed society of children, women and youth active in social life, in the economic sectors, in the community’s political administration; thereby leading to a strong cultural ethos of the society they live in, besides ensuring their rights.

OUR APPROACH:

“Based on reason, love of God, and Kindness”
MARIALAYA REALIZES THE VISION THROUGH:

- Children Home, Open Shelter for children in need of care, Protection, and in conflict with law as means of protection and Home environment.
- Non-formal and Supplementary Education as Prevention Programs of Second generation.
- Life Skill education to face life with all its challenges.
- Vocational Skill training as a means towards self-sustainability.
- Counseling at different levels to help the individual or families or peers or youth to live with internal strength and joy.
- Children parliament and community vigilance group towards personality development and response to the prevention of trafficking among groups.
- Health and hygiene especially related to Drugs, HIV/AIDS, T.B, as prevention, promotion towards holistic health.
- Advocacy, Networking, Linkages, workshops training as a means towards capacity Building. Formation and strengthening of groups of women towards economic, social legal enhancement.
- Rescuing and Rehabilitation of the individuals who are in risky circumstances.
- Cooperation and Networking with other NGOs.
- Self Help Group formation in the slums – IGP Trainings.

WALK THROUGH – OPERATIONAL AREAS

- PEDARIAR KOIL STREET
- FRANCIS XAVIER STREET
- MALAYAPPAN STREET
- GEORGE TOWN
- PONNAN STREET
- SAVARIMUTHU STREET
- THIRUVALLUVAR NAGAR
- DAVIDSON STREET
- ANDERSON STREET
- LAWN SQUARE
- MINARVA
- HARBOUR
- ANAGAPPAN NAIKAN STREET
- LINGHU CHETTY STREET
- THAMBU CHETTY STREET
- SEVEN WELLS
- AMMAN KOVIL STREET
- MINT STREET
- STANLEY NAGAR
- MAT MARKET
- THERADI
- MUC
- THIDEER NAGAR
- CANAL STREET
- HIGH COURT
- FLOWER BAZZAR
- COLLECTOR OFFICE
- BEACH STATION
- G.O.P
- ANNAI SATHYA NAGAR B,C
- PALLAVAN SALAI
- KALLARAI SALAI
- APPARAO GARDEN
- V.R. PILLAI STREET
- KANNAPPAR THIDAL
- KALAYANAPURAM
- JATKAPURAM
- STANELY NAGAR
- CANAL STREET
- KORRUUKUPET
- MUTHUMARIAMMAN STREET
- RAILWAY COLONY
- BEJAWADA LINE
- BHARATHI NAGAR
- BHARATH THEATRE
- IOC
- BOJARAJA NAGAR
- SRINIVASAPURAM
- PENCIL FACTORY
- WASHERMENPET
- NEDUCHEZIAN NAGAR
- BROADWAY
- KRISHNAPET
- THURKHA – TRIPPLICANE
- RAMDOSS NAGAR
- CHIDAMBARANAGAR
- GUINDY
- CHROMPET
- ST. THOMAS MOUNT.
PRESENT ACTIVITIES OF THE ORGANIZATION:

CENTRES AND CONTACT DETAILS:

- No51, Shanmugarayan Street, Broadway, Chennai-01.
- No-57, Pedariar koil Street, George Town, Broadway, Chennai-01.
- 3 Contact Centers - Manali, Minjur, Broadway
ADMINISTRATIVE STRUCTURE:
OUR SERVICES AND PROGRAMS RENDERED BY FOR THE VULNERABLE AND MARGINALIZED CHILDREN:

- Children Home.
- Open Shelter for street Children – Short Stay Home.
- National Child Labour Project.
- Street Contact Centres.
- Child Movement for climate Justice.
- Non – Formal Education.
- Formal Education (Evening tuition centre).
- Children’s Parliament.
- Counselling and referral services.
- Child Miss.

MARIALAYA CHILDREN HOME:

Marialaya Children Home for girls located at Broadway, Chennai. It is an institution for the children in need of care and protection under the section 34(3) of the Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection) Act 2000. Marialaya works out in molding the future of the street and slum children with residential care. We do provide the children with permanent residential care facilities for the children who are in need of care and protection. Our residential care facilities include children with health care, nutrition, education, awareness creation, recreational and Psycho-social support.

OPEN SHELTER FOR STREET CHILDREN:

Open shelter will come under integrated child protection scheme (ICPS) which is supported by the ministry of women and child development. The main objectives of this program is to contribute to the improvement in the wellbeing of children to difficult circumstances as well as to the reduction of vulnerabilities to situation and action that lead abuse, Neglect, exploitation, abandonment and separation of children. ICPS brings several existing child protection programme under one umbrella and initiate new intervention. In the Marialaya short stay home (open Shelter) we admit vulnerable children who are in need of care and protection, particularly beggers, street and working children, rag pickers, small vendors, orphaned, deserted, trafficked and run away children between the age group of 6-18 years. Mostly we do admit girls who are rescued by Child line / Street Contact or through referral Services. We provide them with temporary residential care.
facilities with vocational training course for the period of 3-6 months. Meantime, the children are referred to CWC (Child Welfare Committee) for further course of action.

**SHELTER HOME DETAILS (2016-17):**

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<tr>
<th>CHILDREN HOME</th>
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<td>Marialaya Shelter for Girls</td>
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<td><strong>TOTAL</strong></td>
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<th>SHORT STAY HOME FOR GIRLS (TEMPORARY SHELTER)</th>
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<td>Restored</td>
<td>38</td>
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<td>Referred to other institution</td>
<td>27</td>
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<td>Short stay - Shelter Home</td>
<td>2 (at present)</td>
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<td><strong>TOTAL NO OF CASES</strong></td>
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**CHILDREN HOME TOTAL**

61

FORMAL EDUCATION CENTER (EVENING TUTION CENTERS)

Maraialaya rendered Formal Education Centers i.e. evening tuition centers/class for the school going children at covered area. The covered area under Formal education and Non formal education centers includes Bharathi Nagar, Katpada, Bharathi Theater, Canal Street, VOC, Cemetery Road, Apparao Garden, Railway colony, Kalyanapuram, Jakkapuram, Beach Station, Aduthoti, Ponnan Street, Annai Sathya Nagar ‘B’, Annai Sathya Nagar ‘C’, Bojaraja Nagar, Stanley Nagar. These Centers are functioned by Marialaya through projects for the vulnerable and marginalized section of the society. 585 children are supported by the project through evening tuition class. In this evening tuition class, every child is given special attention. Apart from focusing on the importance of education, we do give awareness on various child related issue. In between our teachers were also trained in such a way that they build a strong rapport with the allied system i.e. with the community leaders, school institution and other local & public service/organization. Our community organizer make regular school visit and community visit inorder to sustain the bond with the community people. School visit are done in order to ensure child progress, which help us to improve the academic progress and to recognize the capacity of each child.
ACTIVITIES OF EVENING TUTION CENTER:

- Skill training programme.
- Conducting competition and rewarding the children.
- Distribution of Education and Play material.
- Conducting Children as well as Community Health Programme.

STATISTICAL DATA OF EVENING TUTION CENTRE:

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<tr>
<th>Area Of Operation</th>
<th>Boys</th>
<th>Girls</th>
<th>Total</th>
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<td>Bharathi Nagar</td>
<td>15</td>
<td>20</td>
<td>35</td>
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<td>Katpada</td>
<td>13</td>
<td>18</td>
<td>31</td>
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QUANITATIVE DATA OF EVENING TUTION CENTER:
NATIONAL CHILD LABOUR PROJECT (NCLP)

Marialaya also runs National Child Labour Project (NCLP). NCLP is one of the child protection mechanism for the rehabilitation of child laborers. This is the major Central Sector Scheme for the rehabilitation of child labor. We have 3 NCLP Centers at Aaduthoti, Bharthi Nagar, Ekangipuram. The Scheme seeks to adopt a sequential approach with focus on rehabilitation of children working in hazardous occupations & processes in the first instance. Under the Scheme, survey of child labour engaged in hazardous occupations & processes has been conducted. The identified children are to be withdrawn from these occupations & processes and then put into special schools in order to enable them to be mainstreamed into formal schooling system.

NON FORMAL EDUCATION

The Children of migrants, women in prostitution, alcoholics. Drug peddlers and other anti social elements form part and parcel of our street children programme that comes under the category of children in need of care and protection. These children are placed in our Non formal centers and helped to study by the dedicated trained Community organizer’s. The aim of the project is to mainstream education system i.e. to get working children to go back to school and also focuses on children who have dropped out and who therefore may be tempted to take or engage in a job. Under the Project, we provide Non Formal Education centers in the slum communities to combat child labor. We provide the children with Bridge course, vocational training and Supplementary nutrition etc.
We do have well trained and experienced staff /teacher & supervisor to monitor the child involvement towards education and overall growth.

OUR STRATEGY:

♦ Identify the school drop outs
♦ Enrollment into Non Formal Education Center’s
♦ Enrollment of children into Formal Education, when the child is ready.
♦ Our ultimate aim is to not only to enroll the child back to school but also to keep on regular follow up by providing child with formal education (evening tuition) classes, regular family & school visit. Children, comes on regular basis to the evening tuition centers.

CHILDREN PARLIAMENT

Children’s Parliament builds relationships that allow children the opportunity to voice their ideas, thoughts and feelings so that their concerns and opinions can be listened to and included in our social and political landscape. We do this in two ways. Firstly by working directly with children through projects and consultations and secondly by educating and equipping adults with knowledge and skills in order that they can replicate Children’s Parliament’s approach in their own locations. At the root of all our work is a commitment to increasing children and adults’ knowledge and understanding of children’s human rights with the aim of ensuring that the confident voices of children – and the good listening skills of adults – help to keep children healthy, happy and safe.

ACHIEVEMENTS OF OUR CHILDREN’S:

♦ During the Vardha cyclone in Chennai, India. Community masses woke up to the uprooted trees, big broken branches blocking the roads, damage roofs, compound walls and vehicles under the fallen trees, power cut and lack of provision like milk, vegetables supplies. A day after the vardha cyclone, Children from our evening tuition centre i.e. CMCJ and Children parliament, who belong to the residential localities (Annai Sathya Nagar) with the support of the staff/supervisor in charge started to clean their compound of fallen trees, leaves and other muck that was blown by the cyclone winds. Children, while cleaning, ensured “Zero deforestation”.

“MARIALAYA
“A Ray of Hope For Ever”
In Bharathi Nagar, CMCJ children representative with the guidance of marialaya staff/supervisor went and approached the chennai coporation for bleaching powders and made community level distribution.

In Annai Sathya Nagar, Community children with the field supervisor/field staff took part in the mass level protest against “PETA” at Marina Beach.

In canal street, the initiatives of the child parliament with the support of the counselor - water facilities was arranged for the community children, as there was water shortage in the respective community.

In Canal Street, Child parliament children organized dengue awareness at their community, in their own initiatives with the help of the Marialaya staff and other evening tuition center children.

**STATISTICAL DATA OF FORMAL, NON-FORMAL EDUCATION & NCLP CENTERS:**

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<th>PROGRAM</th>
<th>BENEFICIARIES</th>
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<td>Total Number of Enrollment in Non-formal Education Centers</td>
<td>30</td>
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<td>No of children, continuing the education</td>
<td>18</td>
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<tr>
<td>No of children in NCLP (At present)</td>
<td>25</td>
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<td>No of children studying in supplementary Education</td>
<td>585</td>
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<td>No of Medical Camp organized in this year</td>
<td>4</td>
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<td>No of children benefitted out of summer camp</td>
<td>300</td>
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<td>No of Awareness program organized for children</td>
<td>10</td>
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<td>Exposure visit</td>
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<td>No of meeting camp organized for the stakeholders</td>
<td>15</td>
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**PARENTS AND TEACHERS MEETING EVERY MONTH 2016-17:**

Parent–teacher meeting usually happens once in a month to ensure the child progress in the time period. They are brief meetings, only lasting about 30–45 minutes. During the parents meeting, Marialaya supervisor also educate the parents by giving various training & awareness program on issues and problem related to children.
Topic includes:

- Parental involvement in their child education
- Importance family life.
- Prevention of suicide
- Child protection
- Child rights
- Awareness on AIDS/HIV
- Leadership quality in today’s scenario
- Stress management
K. Lakshmi (Name changed) 13 years old, lives in the northern part of Chennai. Lakshmi is one of those girl who have been facing barrier in attending school due to lack of interest of parents in girl child education and assuming that a girl should be responsible only for household work. On contacting the school nearby Kalayana Puram - North Chennai, the school teacher shared that children are attending school, expect Lakshmi, whose parents doesn’t have an interest in looking after the girl child education.

Keeping this as a background study, the simplest thing in the world which made a difference in the child life. K. Lakshmi was approached and given special attention by our Kalayanapuram field staff Mrs. Roselily. When intervene Lakshmi shared that “she don’t like to go to school after she went for her cousin marriage for a week – as she felt comfortable staying at home” she also shared that initially she started to bunk class, later she discontinued the school.

The girl was exposed to our care center and very soon she began to play with other children’s. Since she likes to participate in games and activities, she has been regularly participating in the non formal classes conducted by Marialaya. In between Lakshmi and Lakshmi parents were counseled on why girl child education is important in today’s world. It is not only overall development of the girl, but also how education contributes to the health, education and poverty reduction within the family in future.

On the completion of the counseling sessions, Lakshmi parents accepted to support their child, in giving extra attention on her education. The child is now mainstreamed after a year and she is very much interested in academics. Currently she is studying in class 8th in the nearby school locality. Lakshmi is happily coming to the evening tuition centre with other school going children. Lakshmi is one of those who serve as an example for the entire community on how education transforms lives. The real intervention of Marialaya helps in transforming many lives in the target community.
SUCCESS STORY —

“UNDERSTAND, DON’T CALL THEM SCHOOL DROPOUT”

Roshan (Name changed) 12 years old from the kalayanapuram community belongs to a poor socio economic background. Both of the child parents are engaged in unorganized work. The child was identified by our field staff. When counseled found that the child does not have any support or motivation from the parents as they come home late, after a tireless day.

He also shared that “I am a drop out and I am ok with it, it’s because I have a friends who are always with me roaming in and around our area”. Later, the child was encouraged to come to our centre. Surprisingly, the child started to participate regularly in our Non Formal education center. In between child, parent was counseled on individual as well as on family basis on the importance of education and their child future.

So Many months passed away after which the child expressed his interest in rejoining the school; since it was a year ending and so we couldn’t able to re-admit Master Roshan in the current academic year. Now the child is mainstreamed in the class VI. Master Roshan is now studying happily in the new school with his new friend. He also expressed that he is happy now, as he has someone to show concern on his education as well as his carrier.

Roshan comes every day to our evening tuition centre for doing his home work /project and be there till his parent come back home…!!

“Marialaya helped me not only to join school but also changed me into a responsible child”

— Roshan.
REACH OUT PROGRAMME

IMPORTANCE OF EDUCATION REACH OUT PROGRAM

On 7 & 8th of June ’16 Marialaya organized a Community level reach out programme at different parts in the covered area. The programme was organized in order to make the community people and children to know about the value of education and the Consequences of not studying. The methodology used for the outreach program was street theater and awareness song and lecture.

MEDICAL CAMP

Marialaya organized an Eye screening Camp and General checkup and Health camp with the support of the donors / sponsors in collaboration with Hospitals. These initiatives are helpful for vulnerable children and women who cannot afford expensive procedures and medicines. We do provided medical checkup for our shelter home and children home children periodically.

AWARENESS CAMPAIGN ON INTERNATIONAL OZONE DAY

Marialaya held an Awareness campaign of “International Ozone Day” on 19th September’16 at Broadway Bus Terminus. The main aim of the awareness campaign is to sensitize general public about the importance of ozone layer and to avoid pollution to protect the layer. Children participated enthusiastically in the Rally conducted in an around Broad way community by caring placards reciting slogans in order to 'Save the future bright'.
The general public was encouraged to see the small children spreading a message and creating awareness to save Mother Earth.

**LET THE GIRLS BE GIRLS....!!**

Marialaya celebrated the International Girl Child Day on 29th of September’16. The programme was held in 3 difference places of North Chennai. Community includes Broadway Bus terminus, Washermenpet and Moola Kothalam. Each community celebrated the Girl Child Day in a unique way. Programme was planned in such way to sensitize people by creating an awareness programme on several issues of inequalities faced by girls around the world. Street theater – theme was on “Respect the girl” through which we were able to attract people.

**TRAINING PROGRAMME ON FIRE SAFETY:**

Fire safety programme was organized at Bojaraja Nagar on 26th October’16 headed by Mr. Udhya Kumar, officer from the Department of fire and emergency services. The main aim of the Training is to make the children and women to know how to reduce fire risks, deal it and if necessary how to escape safely, what to do if one is in the event of fire. “Fire Safety Training is not only a legal requirement, but it’s a need to saves and protect lives” Community people participated more enthusiastically.
Young people are the potential leaders of tomorrow. The energy of young people once to promote the youth and enhance their potentials towards greater horizons Marialaya has started the association for youth in all the street contact centers, where young girls are often given counseling, recommended for job placements through vocational training, capacity building program and motivated to build up their own neighborhood. Special training programs on preventive measures towards social issues, performance of folk arts and handicrafts are also given to the girls to develop their potentialities and to build up their own neighborhood.

**STRATEGIES:**

- Group Activities.
- Personality Development Programmes.
- Life Skill training.
- Skill Training to develop their potentialities.
- Counseling.
- Networking / Linkages.
- Job Placement / Follow up.

**VOCATIONAL TRAINING:**

In the nation like ours, women are generally treated as a second class citizen and seen as someone to look after the home and bear children. Marialaya provide tailoring course for the vulnerable Adolescent girls in order to empower the youth and equip them with tools to become self-reliant through stitching and tailoring skill up gradation program.
**STATISTICAL DATA 2016-2017:**

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<th>VOCATIONAL TRAINING CENTERS</th>
<th>BATCH</th>
<th>NO OF BENEFICIARIES</th>
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<td>MINJUR</td>
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<td>MANALI</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>30</td>
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<td>BROADWAY</td>
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<td><strong>TOTAL</strong></td>
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**LIFE COPING EDUCATION FOR ADOLESCENT GIRLS**

Marialaya conduct vocational training classes like beautician, jewelry making, and tailoring course for the young community girls. Young girls are giving awareness and training on various topics in order to make them aware of the value of real life and life coping education. Every month we do organize youth meeting in the centers. We also provide them with awareness and training program on various topic like fire safety, transforming Challenges into Achievement, Confident girls…Powerful women, Self Esteem, stress Management, Educating community – youth, Women/ Girl Empowerment, Self-Confident. Other than this we do provide Counseling Services & Community College for the Adolescent girls.

**YOUTH MEETING HELD ONCE IN A MONTH:**

Community Youth girls are encouraged to attend once in a month. This is a great way to know what is going on and what the changes being proposed. It will be a brief meeting in which Youth group were encouraged to discuss on the opportunities and issues. After which, we educate Young girls by giving various training and awareness program.

**Topic for youth includes:**

- Transforming Challenges into Achievement
- Confident girls…Powerful women
- Leadership Qualities.
- Self Esteem
- Stress Management
- Educating community – youth.
Women/Girl Empowerment  
Self Confident.

PROGRAM EVENTS - FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH – TRAINING/ ORIENTATION/ SEMINAR / PROGRAM:

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<th>TOPICS</th>
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<th>RESOURCE PERSON</th>
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<td>2nd May – 6th May’16</td>
<td>Summer camp for community children.</td>
<td>300</td>
<td>Actor Ramu and Director Sathish Kumar</td>
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<td>7th and 8th June’16</td>
<td>Community level – Outreach program on Importance of Education.</td>
<td>More than 500</td>
<td>Marialaya Team</td>
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<td>16th and 17th June ‘16</td>
<td>World Environment Day</td>
<td>585</td>
<td>Sr. Tamil Selvi, Coordinator</td>
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<td>16th July’16</td>
<td>Workshop on organic terrace gardening</td>
<td>80</td>
<td>Mrs. Nithaya Deni, Trainer</td>
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<td>23rd July’16</td>
<td>Eye Camp for Community Children</td>
<td>300</td>
<td>Pammal Sankara Vision Center</td>
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<td>19th September ‘16</td>
<td>Awareness Campaign on International Ozone Day</td>
<td>General Public</td>
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<td>29th September ‘16</td>
<td>International Girl Child Day</td>
<td>General Public</td>
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<td>9th and 10th October’16</td>
<td>Our staff and CMCJ children attended a Training Programme on Child Movement for Climate Justice at Madurai.</td>
<td>4 Children Representative</td>
<td>RCPDS Institute.</td>
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<td>20th October’16</td>
<td>Celebrated International Day Of Older Persons.</td>
<td>80 Elderly citizen from Community, Sr. Tamil Selvi, Coordinator.</td>
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<td>26th October’16</td>
<td>Training programme on fire safety</td>
<td>150 Children, Women &amp; Men.</td>
<td>Mr. Udhaya Kumar, Department of Fire and emergency services.</td>
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<td>19th November’16</td>
<td>Children’s Day Celebration</td>
<td>150 Children</td>
<td>Mrs. Shanthi Kamala Sekaran, Member of Rotary club</td>
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<td>Participants</td>
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<td>25th November’16</td>
<td>International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women</td>
<td>150 Adolescent Girls</td>
<td>Sr. Mary Dora, Director.</td>
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<td>10th December’16</td>
<td>Human Rights Day</td>
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<td>Sr. Tamil Selvi, Coordinator.</td>
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<td>16th &amp; 23rd December’16</td>
<td>Christmas Celebration for community children and staff respectively.</td>
<td>300 Children</td>
<td>Sr. Mary Dora.</td>
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<td>12th January’17</td>
<td>Community Pongal Celebration at all the centers</td>
<td>585 children</td>
<td>Community leader (respective areas)</td>
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<td>26th January’17</td>
<td>Community level Republic Day Celebration at all the centers</td>
<td>More than 300</td>
<td>Community leaders (respective areas)</td>
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<td>25th February’17</td>
<td>Annual Day Competition</td>
<td>120 Children</td>
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<td>1st March’17</td>
<td>Free Eye Care Camp</td>
<td>150 Women/Girls, Men &amp; Elders</td>
<td>M.N Eye Hospital.</td>
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<td>11th March’17</td>
<td>Annual Day Celebration</td>
<td>300 Children</td>
<td>Ms. Muthamizh Kalai vizhi, Founder, CEO Neelam.</td>
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OTHER SPECIAL EVENTS PHOTOS 2016-17

MARIALAYA - CHILDREN'S DAY CELEBRATION 2016

MARIALAYA - CHRISTMAS DAY CELEBRATION 2016

COMMUNITY LEVEL MONTHLY MEETING FOR WOMEN AND YOUTH 2016-17

MARIALAYA - COMMUNITY LEVEL INDEPENDENCE CELEBRATION 2016

ANNUAL DAY - COMPETITION 2017

TRAINING ON ORGANIC TERRACE GARDENING 2016-2017
Women can change the world. Woman who is the driving force plays a vital role in building up the family and country by upbringing the future citizen with greater responsibility and care. The whole world has to marvel at the miracles wrought by women. Marialaya also offer various services and training for women during monthly meeting in the slums and streets, together with other seminars and discussions pertaining to their relationships with their children. Income generating program and Vocational training in tailoring is offered in our centers for women to learn a trade and to get job to earn livelihood. Many women have started their own ventures and now they are self-sufficient and leading a dignified life.

OUR SERVICES:

- Women Promotion Centre
- Health Services
- Self-help group formation in the slums – IGP training
- Awareness Creation
- Settlement /Reintegration
- Neighborhood Parliament
- Referral Services

Our groups in Marialaya always excel in social activities, Income generation activities and much more in net works and linkages. They are the real driving force in combating trafficking, solving the neighborhood issues and propagating the eradication of child labor and abuse. To enhance the ability of women they are given special training in various subjects and aspects.

VOCATIONAL TRAINING COURSE:
TRAINING OFFERED FOR THE SHG WOMEN’S:

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<tr>
<th>VOCATIONAL COURSE OFFERED</th>
<th>PERIOD</th>
<th>NO OF BENEFICIARIES</th>
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<tr>
<td>Training on Jewelry Making</td>
<td>13&lt;sup&gt;th&lt;/sup&gt; July to 18&lt;sup&gt;th&lt;/sup&gt; August’16</td>
<td>25</td>
<td>Mrs. Raja Lakshmi</td>
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<td>Training on Beautyician course</td>
<td>07&lt;sup&gt;th&lt;/sup&gt; October to 14&lt;sup&gt;th&lt;/sup&gt; October’16</td>
<td>20</td>
<td>Mrs. Vasanthi</td>
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SHG STATISTICS - 2016 – 2017

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<td>01.</td>
<td>Total Number of SHG</td>
<td>395</td>
<td>-</td>
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<td>02.</td>
<td>Total Number of Women</td>
<td>6707</td>
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<td>03.</td>
<td>Number of Christian Women</td>
<td>757</td>
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<td>04.</td>
<td>Number of Hindu Women</td>
<td>5578</td>
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<td>05.</td>
<td>Number Of Muslim Women</td>
<td>372</td>
<td>-</td>
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<td>06.</td>
<td>Total amount of Savings</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>27,098’1155</td>
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<td>07.</td>
<td>Total amount of Bank Loan</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>12,87,00,000</td>
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<td>08.</td>
<td>NABARD Bank Loan</td>
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<td>40,98,03,500/-</td>
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<td>09.</td>
<td>Men Groups</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>Members - 35</td>
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CAPACITY BUILDING – TRAINING/ORIENTATION/ SEMINAR: STATISTICAL DATA OF SPECIAL EVENTS:

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<td>27&lt;sup&gt;th&lt;/sup&gt; June’16</td>
<td>Rally on World Environmental day</td>
<td>150</td>
<td>Sr. Shantha, Women Coordinator.</td>
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<td>27&lt;sup&gt;th&lt;/sup&gt; August’16</td>
<td>Community level Eye camp</td>
<td>150</td>
<td>Sankara Hospital with the support of Mr. Selvaraj (HCHT).</td>
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<td>Date</td>
<td>Event Description</td>
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<td>Speaker/Details</td>
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<tr>
<td>31st August’16</td>
<td>Alcoholism and Drug</td>
<td>150</td>
<td>Mr. Murali, adviser from TTK hospital</td>
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<td>13th September’16</td>
<td>Girl child day &amp; suicide prevention measure</td>
<td>200</td>
<td>Mrs. Shoba, Advocate Chennai high court</td>
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<td>3rd October’16</td>
<td>Elders day at Vyasarpadi old age home</td>
<td>75 old age inmates + 25 women group members</td>
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<td>5th October’16</td>
<td>Awareness and training on natural way life &amp; organic food for women</td>
<td>150</td>
<td>Sr. Selvi, Social communication coordinator</td>
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<td>25th November’16</td>
<td>Awareness on violence against women – orange day</td>
<td>200</td>
<td>Mrs. Vasaki</td>
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<td>26th November’16</td>
<td>Children’s day programme at St. Gabriel School.</td>
<td>150</td>
<td>Mr. Bose 56th ward counselor</td>
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<td>11th March’17</td>
<td>International women’s day celebration</td>
<td>2220</td>
<td>Mrs. Suganthi, AUWCD, Mrs. Rosy, TNSCB Officers, Mrs. Thara &amp; Mrs. Shoba, Advocate-Chennai High Court</td>
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**SPECIAL EVENTS PHOTOS 2016-2017**

![WOMEN GROUP TRAINING PHOTOS 2016-2017](image1)

![MARIALAYA - SPECIAL PROGRAMME 2016-2017](image2)
SUCCESSFUL CASE STUDY

SHE BELIEVED SHE COULD SO SHE DID:

V. Rajalakshmi is a member of Kurrallosai Self Help Group since 2011. The group comprises of 14 members. V. Rajalakshmi shared that through the Self Help group, she was able to get occupation (Job) and education loan which made her to fulfill her dreams towards her family. She expressed that her husband is very much supportive and encourage able towards her growth. Rajalakshmi, shared that she was encouraged to attend, various training program organized either outside or inside the organization. She also shared that through the skill development programme, she was able to gain confidence as well as she was able to support her family financially through her hard work. At present she herself does bank related work and help other member of her group in keeping book records and accounting. She also motivates other women to bring about changes in their life through linkage of SHG. She developed as a trainer, who can educate and train more women. V. Rajalakshmi with the support of Marialaya had put up stalls at various places – in order to gain money out of her own ability. She installed a stall at Exhibition Trade fare – “Theevu Thedal” for three months. She also said that through training/exposure she was able to realize and increase her Self Confidence, ability and talent as a woman.
SUCCESSFUL CASE STUDY

WOMEN EMPOWER ONE ANOTHER..!!

Menaka is animator and member of Dharma Vinayagar SHG since 2012. The group comprises of 12 Members. Menaka also tells us about how she was and how she had little confidence when she initially joined Marialaya and would rarely leaves the house after her married life. She shared that after joining Marialaya SHG she was given exposure & training on various Capacity Building training, which helped her to develop economically i.e. through Jewelry Making training. She was able to create her own design. She also shared that with the support of Marialaya she was able to put Stalls in TNSCB, HSBC Bank, Annai Theresa Campus, and College etc. In the beginning she had received 600 as income from her Jewelry making skill, now she proudly says that she earn around 12,000rs & above per month. She was also awarded by other organization i.e. by helping hand, TNSCB for her creative thinking.

Menaka, had become more confident as she earn money on her own without depending on others financially. Other than this she also had develop cultural and traditional training on singing, dancing and street theatre. She also shared that at present she run her own Stall name “Mathinalam” at the Singaravelar Maligai, Collector office through government skill development scheme programme. Side by, She also runs food enterprises with the support of Self Help Group through which she undertakes catering orders.

COUNSELLING - PSYCHOLOGICAL MIRACLE

The hurts by physical attack is much more solvable than that of hurts caused psychologically. The trauma and the pain the person undergoes devastates the whole life of a person. The total disaster happens when these hurts are not handled and cured at the right time and with the appropriate measure. Marialaya witnesses many children, adolescent and women who are totally shattered due to hurt, especially for
the children whose mothers are in prostitution experience physical and sexually abuse. The children who are abandoned and who have run away from home experienced different form of abuses as they feel that they have nobody. Much more in the case of trafficked girls where their identity is totally lost and no hope of being integrated with main stream of the society.

To this category of children, young girls and women in distress, Marialaya responds through, Individual counseling, Group counseling and Family counseling, Barefoot counseling, psychiatric and therapy for overall intervention process (all the aspects) as a holistic growth.

**TRAINING OFFERED IN THE ACADEMIC YEAR FOR STAFF 2016-2017:**

Every month we have staff animation on various topics that includes child and women related problems & issues.

**TOPICS INCLUDE**

- Growth and Development.
- Training on media and its impact
- Child Psychology
- Self Help Group – Training
- Awareness of alcoholic and drugs
- Skill training on various topics – includes reporting, Cognitive skill, Motivation, Time Management, self development.
MAJOR EVENTS OF MARIALAYA 2016-2017

SUMMER CAMP AT MARIALAYA FOR THE COMMUNITY CHILDREN

The much awaited summer break is a time to relax, explore & rejuvenate; Marialaya organized a special ‘Summer Camp’ for the children’s i.e. from 2nd May’16 to 7th May’16. More than 300 Children participated actively in the Cool Cool Summer camp.

Children were ever eager to avail rich experience. This camp offered Sports, Craft, Music, and Dance. Special Topic were been planned for each day with the support of our expert faculty members. Timing from 10.00 a.m. to 3.30 p.m.

SPECIAL TOPIC AS FOLLOWS:

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<td>2.05.2016</td>
<td>Leadership Quality</td>
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<td>3.05.2016</td>
<td>Time Management (Punctuality)</td>
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<td>4.05.2016</td>
<td>Life to Education</td>
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<td>5.05.2016</td>
<td>Child Rights and child Protection</td>
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<td>6.05.2016</td>
<td>Self esteem</td>
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<td>7.05.2016</td>
<td>Cool Cool Summer Camp - Program</td>
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METHODOLOGY USED – Activity Based learning

Children participated enthusiastically in the summer camp. The camp was designed in such a way were the children can learn through activity based approach. Instead of making them to listen, we made the children to learn through an activity for example – through a play, Games, song. Through this approach, children as well as the supervisor were able to develop/understand the physical, moral, intellectual and spiritual strengths of the children. The camp got concluded on 7th May’16 with a special gathering in the presence of the Marialaya Director Sr. Mary Dora. The Special Guest of the program was Actor Ramu and Director Sathish Kumar. Several cultural programs were given by the center children. Children were appreciated by the special guest, when addressing the gathering. His Motivational speech inspired and motivated the children. The programme came to an end by making the children to share their experiences.
26th ANNUAL DAY CELEBRATION:

Marialaya celebrated its 26th Annual Day on 11th March’17 in the Sagaya Madha Hall premises. The program was presided by the chief guest Ms. Muthamizh Kalai vizhi, Founder, CEO Neelam escorted by the other dignitaries Mr. Karthikeyan, Guest of honor and the Marialaya Director. The function started at 11.00 am with the welcome dance by the Marialaya shelter home children in a grand manner. The programme began with the lamp lighting by the Sr. Dora, Director, Chief Guest - Ms. Muthamizh Kalai vizhi & Guest of Honor- Mr. Karthiyaen, Ganga Hot chips owner followed by the children representative. Welcome speech was delivered followed by Entailing the bouquet presentation and memento by the Director Sr. Mary Dora & Sr. Tamil Selvi, Coordinator. More than 300 children, dressed in colorful attires.

Sr. Tamil Selvi, Program Manager formally welcomed the eminent guest and introduced the honorable chief guest to the gathering and presented the Annual Report highlighted the achievements of the organization, staff and services in the last year (April’16 – March’17).

Ms. Muthamizh Kalai vizhi, Founder, CEO Neelam while addressing the gathering, she started her speech by narrating a story of her life as a poor Dalit girl to a founder & CEO of Neelam.

Each center gave their cultural performances with grace and got a bid round of applause which include song and mime performance. Sr. Mary Dora, Director of Marialaya she greeted and welcomed all the children for the Annual Day celebration.
During her speech, she pointed out that when celebrating our one year journey (i.e. 2016-17). We should think or reflect on how much we have developed ourselves in this year. She also viewed what is the Annual Day and what is the significance of Annual Day. The winners in various competitions received prizes from Sr. Dora, Director, Chief Guest and Guest of honor. Children were happy and excited in collecting the certificate and gifts.

**INTERNATIONAL WOMEN’S DAY CELEBRATION:**

International Women’s Day was celebrated on 11th March’17 at St. Gabriel Hr. Sec. School Campus, Broadway. The guests of honors was Rev. Sr. Mary Dora Marialaya director, Mrs. Suganthi, AIWCD, Mrs. Rosy, Tamil Nadu slum clearance board officer, Mrs. Thara the Advocate of Chennai and Mrs. Shoba the Advocate of Chennai High court who came to give input sessions on the theme for the burning issues of women. The programme started at 04.00 pm by welcoming the Chief guests and others in a traditional way. Mrs. Isabella welcomed the guest with shawl and gift.

Sr. Shantha women group coordinator presented the annual report. Sr. Dora animator of the house spoke about the importance of the women’s day and differentiated the difference between ancient and modern women. She also insisted that this day is celebrated to enhance the worldwide awareness about women development in all the aspects i.e. from their rights, contributions, importance of education, career opportunities in today society. She also wished & advised all the women participants to empower fully and to achieve our 100% rights as women.

Mrs. Rosy spoke about Women’s skill Development training programme scheme, introduced by government for the welfare of the women. Mrs. Suganthi appreciated the women and sisters for the wonderful programme organized. The crowd represented the strength of Marialaya. She also instructed them to have more self confidence and to stand for their rights.
Mrs. Thara M.A. B L -Chennai High Court Advocate was welcomed to share her message with the audience. During her speech, she briefly spoke on the gender equality. The evening was made more colorful with cultural programmes. The cultural program includes – Dance, Song, Skit, Poem presentation etc. Nearly 2220 women participated in it, from the covered area of Marialaya i.e. it includes 45 community. It was a great occasion and eye opener for the women group members. The meaningful programme ended with the vote of thanks and National Anthem.
JOIN HANDS
NETWORK /LINKAGES/FORUMS / ADVOCACY/ PARTNERS

- SALESIAN SISTER, CHENNAI PROVINCE.
- DON BOSCO INSTITUTIONS, IN CHENNAI PROVINCE.
- DIRECTORATE OF SOCIAL DEFENCE.
- CHILD WELFARE BOARD, TAMIL NADU.
- CHILD WELFARE COMMITTEE, CHENNAI.
- DISTRICT CHILD PROTECTION UNIT, CHENNAI.
- CHENNAI MUNICIPAL CORPORATION.
- LABOR DEPARTMENT OF CHENNAI.
- TAMIL NADU SLUM CLEARANCE BROAD.
- TAMIL NADU CENTRAL SOCIAL WELFARE BROAD
- DISTRICT SOCIAL WELFARE BROAD.
- LOCAL GOVERNMENT HOSPITALS.
- POLICE STATION IN THE RESPECTIVE COMMUNITIES.
- KINDER NOT HILFE (KNH), GERMANY.
- STATE BANK OF INDIA.
- INDIAN OVERSEAS BANK.
- LEGAL ADVISORS ADVOCATES
- OTHER NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATION – ESP. CHILD RELATED ORGANIZATION.
- CHILD LINE
- YAR – YOUNG AT RISK.
• YAR – YOUNG AT RISK.
• SOCIAL WORK COLLEGES IN AND AROUND CHENNAI.
• SOCIAL CLUB – INCLUDES ROTARY CLUB, LIONS CLUB.
• RELIGIOUS INSTITUTION.
• OTHER NGO’S / OTHER DEPARTMENTS AND INDIVIDUAL, FAMILIES, WOMEN, SHG.
DRIVING FORCE
MARIALAYA FAMILY/STAFF/ CHILDREN

SR. MARY DORA
Director / Secretary

SR. IRUDAYASAMY MARIA TAMIL SELVI
Program coordinator

SR. VEDAMUTHU SANTIAGU THERESAL
Administrator

SR. SHANTHA MARY
Women Coordinator

SR. THOMAS SIRUMANI SATHIYA
Social Worker

SR. SOOSAI ANNAMANIKKAM & SR. FERNANDO JULIET
Pothur, Children Home In charge
All our dream can come true - if we have the courage to pursue them..

- Walt Disney