## Proposal for supporting a child at Deenabandhu Children's Home

Deenabandhu Children's Home is the home for 80 children. Founded by Prof. Jayadev, Deenabandhu provides a loving and caring atmosphere for all the children. Often the children come from very difficult circumstances, and most have no other family.

Deenabandhu children's home started with six boys in a rented house. It is now providing home for 40 boys and 40 girls. All the children at the Deenabandhu home are deprived of parental care. These children have suffered a terrible lack of love, acceptance and belongingness. Deenabandhu precisely addresses these problems. Love and acceptance have a wonderful healing effect and cures the indelible mental scars of the traumatic past. The whole gamut of inter personal interactions are tailored such that the child gets the constructive response from all the staff. Deenabandhu is an ever evolving experiment in child upbringing and better methods are evolved to 'help a child to reach the sky'.

Apart from the academic education, children also get trained activities like agriculture, dairy-farming, classical music, classical dance, theater activity, computer, film making, sculpturing and such. Every child, once accepted, is educated and nurtured until Class X after which the child can choose the course that appeals to him/her. Each child is educated inline with his/her latent potential. The support to the child is continued till he/she reaches economic self reliance.

Among our alumni we have professional Actors, Dancers, Teachers, Journalists, Interior Designers, Fineart artists, Musicians, Engineers, Plumbers, Drivers, Carpenters etc. Till now home has supported and empowered over 226 children from various parts of Karnataka.

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Trust also runs a School (from Lower kinder Garden to 10 standard) for the children from economically and socially deprived background. Over 436 children from near-by villages attend the school. Through its Teachers' Resource Center trust is providing sustainable support for professional development of Government Primary School teachers in the district. Deenabandhu also provides Scholarship for rural meritorious students from poor background to help them continue their college education.

Deenabandhu takes care of all the material needs of the children (school – they run their own school which also has students from surrounding villages, clothes, healthcare, books, etc.).

Donors are welcome to support the cost for a child.

Total number of children	Support requested per child per year		
80	INR 36,000 per child per year (~\$500)		
Total cost for all children: INR 36,000 * 80	INR 2,880,000		