



# FUTURE POINT

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Creating Futures is a non-profit and non-government organization primarily focusing to create employment opportunities for the educated rural and urban youth by employing them and providing them with real-life experiences, as well as training them in various skills to make them highly capable corporate-ready resources

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## From Jimmy's Desk

It has been a very active quarter with a lot of planning and envisaging that was done for the coming year. We have a new management team and based on our last years' accomplishments, we have enhanced our programs for this year. We will focus on three tracks — **BridgEIT**, **Anchor** and **Harbor**. Read more on these programs in this newsletter. Our vision is that we cover the beneficiaries before, during and after their graduation. To support this new approach, we have created our budgets and now, we are starting to look for funds for each of these tracks. We look forward to your generous contribution for these tracks so that we can reach more students and help in achieving our goals

## Our Service Offerings

- ♦ **BridgEIT** – This program will focus on building the necessary skills for employment. Through this program, we aim to ensure that the youth are equipped and ready for their future life. This includes preparing them in social skills, soft skills and employability skills. Under this track, we will have the following projects:
  - ♦ Spoken English
  - ♦ Life Skills
  - ♦ Education to Employability
  - ♦ Computer Skills
- ♦ **Anchor** – Anchor as a program will focus on the whole school development; where the objective is to nurture students from the school level. The objective of this program is to focus on 'sustainability'. This is a long term program and vision is to start early in the cycle and hence targeting the holistic development of the schools.
- ♦ **Harbor** – This focuses on providing internship to students of various streams so that they are employment ready. This is for students who have completed their education, giving them real-time work experience

**iVolunteer Awards.** We are extremely excited to share that we have been shortlisted for the iVolunteer Awards for the category—Leader in Volunteer Engagement. We are also delighted that one of our volunteers—Sarath has been nominated as a Volunteer Hero.

## Fund Raising:

As always, we are grateful for your support and contribution.

- As mentioned earlier, we are seeking funds for our programs. For the Whole School Development Program, we are looking for funds of about Rs. 30,000.
- On an average, our Lifeskills sessions cost about Rs. 1500 per workshop.
- Similarly, our Spoken English sessions cost about Rs. 1000. We are looking for donors who can fund these workshops.
- Request your contributions. Every rupee will help us achieve this.

## Other Support:

- We have defined various volunteering roles that we have at Creating Futures. We have close to 20 volunteering positions. We look forward to your involvement in these roles
- We are always looking for office space to conduct our programs, meet with volunteers, etc. If you know of any such space available for Creating Futures, please let us know
- Apart from this, we are looking for volunteers who can support us in the following: Web Designing, Content and Communication, Social Marketing and Fund raising

## Updates:

- We have completed another successful Lifeskills workshop held at Bosco Mane . 26 students participated in this workshop which was held over a period of 6 weeks. 6 volunteers participated in this program and an estimated 60 hours were spent by the volunteers for this program.
- Continuing with Bosco Mane, we also conducted a Spoken English Session. This was a 2 full day workshop (a total of 4 sessions) with 14 students participating.
- We have finalized our financial report for the year 2015-2016. At the summary level, we have incurred a cost of Rs. 2.2 Lakhs for our activities for 2015-2016
- We have started the Anchor Program. As apart of this, we have visited and held several discussions with the Trustees and Management of Little Hearts Elementary School at Kanakapura. As part of this, we will have a Whole School Development Program spanning 4-5 months
- Created communication materials as per the new service offerings
- Budget for the financial year 2016-2017 was prepared
- Annual Report for the last year created

## Student Testimonials:

- *"Very useful for my life in this class. I can face problems with confidence"*
- *"From this 6 session I got confidence on myself and I learnt about trust, problem solving, group discussion. Overcame stage fear"*

