

## **Spring 2019 Newsletter**

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## **Exciting Changes at Udayan Care USA!**

As we come off of a successful fundraiser in Seattle, Sip and Savor 2019, having raised \$40,000 (66% more than last year's event) we look forward to a new chapter in the future of Udayan Care USA. We are proud to announce the introduction of four new Board members, Vishal Goyal, New Jersey; Anitha Kosanam, Ohio; Ruchi Saran, California and Netoo Sethi, Illinois. This broad geographic spectrum of new Board members means increased awareness building and fundraising efforts for Udayan Care USA in the future. Taking over as President will be Shraddha Gupta, Ohio. Moving on as Board Emeritus will be Anita Akerkar and Divya Singh who have long served as Treasurer and President. Udayan Care is an integral part of their lives and they will

long be involved in the organization as needed. In Seattle, we had a truly inspiring Shalini Fellow whose story you will find below along with other impactful updates.

Grateful for your support, **The Udayan Care USA Board:** Monika Saksena, Jesse George-Nichol, Shraddha Gupta, Aneesha Wadhwa, Vishal Goyal, Anitha Kosanam, Ruchi Saran, Netoo Sethi, and Dr. Kiran Modi. **Board Emeritus:** Anita Akerkar and Divya Singh



Meet Madhu An Udayan Shalini Fellow (USF) - Mumbai

"Without USF, I would be no one. No one would know my name."

My parents are servants – my father never went to school and my mother only finished the 8<sup>th</sup> grade. We, along with my sister, live in a 10\*11 sq. feet servant's quarter outside the home they work. However, my father always said, "You focus on your studies and I'll focus on work." The Udayan Shalini Fellowship (USF) supports me in so many ways:

Financial support to help pay for college.

Opportunities such as my internship with the Indo-German Chamber of

Commerce.

Mentors such as Monika Ma'am who always tells me, "Madhu, the world is not small."

Workshops on our legal rights, time management, and how to present ourselves in how we stand, shake hands, dress, talk and write.

With USF, now I want to be an Indian Foreign Service Officer, to represent my country as a confident, young woman. USF gave me the confidence to achieve my dreams and to become the first high school and college graduate in my family.

## Jaipur Shalini Fellows Advocating For Safer Roads



Last year, the majority of unnatural deaths in India were due to road accidents. Shalinis from the Jaipur Chapter gathered at Malviya Nagar Govt. Girls School and rallied around the Malviya Nagar market; one of the busiest markets in Jaipur. By shouting slogans and flashing basic traffic rules on placards, these Shalinis were able to educate people on following rules for their safety and those of others.

New Delhi Ghar Children Getting a Taste of College Life



Children from Sant Nagar Udayan Ghars in New Delhi were invited by Delhi University to be a part of their Annual Day Celebration on March 30th. The children participated in different activities, such as a seminar on women empowerment and indulging in photo sessions and pottery workshops. They also enjoyed delicious eats, played games and received gifts too. It was not only educational but also very inspiring for the girls to get first-hand experience of college life and interact with undergraduate students from across various academic disciplines.

## **Udayan Care USA's Mission**

To provide a nurturing home for every orphaned child; an opportunity for higher education for every girl; and for every adult, the dignity of self-reliance and the desire to give back to society. To learn more about the Udayan Ghar (Home) and the Udayan Shalini Fellowship Programs, please go to www.udayancareusa.org

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