



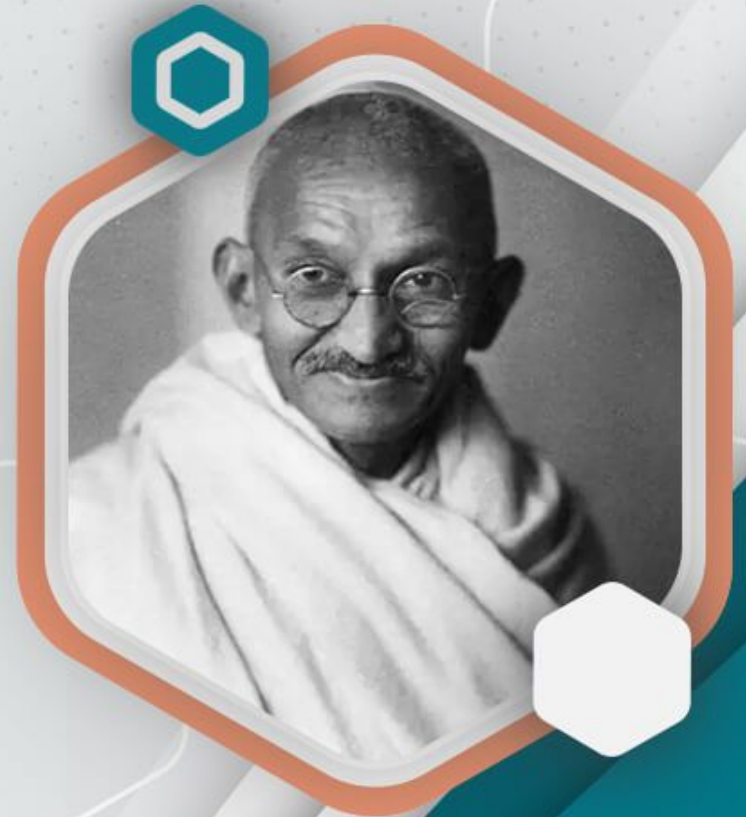
Newsletter

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Mahatma Gandhi ji

Born on 2nd October 1869, Mohandas Karamchand Gandhi was India's greatest leader of the independence movement. He strongly led India's non-violent movement against the British, which in turn inspired many civil rights movements across the world.

He had studied law and he went to South Africa to represent a client. He joined the Indian National Congress and led nationwide campaigns for farmers, peasants, and labourers. Fought against caste discrimination and fought for expanding women's rights, he led some of the most historic movements in India's freedom struggle. He led Indians to break the salt law, through the Dandi March in 1930, which helped Indians believe that they can challenge the might of the British. Gandhi ji also led the Quit India movement in 1942. He wanted India to be a secular nation and he fought to make it a reality. Gandhi ji was killed by Hindu nationalist Nathuram Godse on January 30, 1948.



International Day of Girl Child

"International Day of the Girl Child" is celebrated worldwide on October 11 every year to highlight the empowerment of girls and amplify their voices. The importance, power and potential of adolescent girls are emphasized by encouraging the opening up of more opportunities for them.

Empowering women and girls and promoting gender equality is crucial to accelerating sustainable development. Ending all forms of discrimination against women and girls is not only a basic human right, but it also has a multiplier effect across all other development areas. Also, to eliminate gender-based challenges that little girls face around the world, including child marriages, poor learning opportunities, violence, and discrimination, this year, under the theme, "My Voice, Our Equal Future", let's seize the opportunity to be inspired by what thriving girls see as the change they want, the solutions- big and small- they are leading and demanding across the globe.



Global Hand Wash Day

Covid-19 was declared as a pandemic in March 2020. It mainly spread due to socializing and also by having personal contact by the infected person or by touching an object which was contaminated and also by cough and sneeze of an infected person getting in touch with a healthy person. During this pandemic, we understood the importance of hygiene and handwashing practices. Global Handwashing Day is an annual global advocacy day dedicated to advocating for handwashing with soap as an easy, effective, and affordable way to prevent diseases and save lives. Global Handwashing Day is celebrated every year on October 15th. This day aims to maintain global promotion, visibility and sustainability of hand hygiene in health care and to 'bring people together in support of hand hygiene improvement around the world.

The 2021 Global Handwashing Day theme is "Our Future is at Hand – Let's Move Forward Together."

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Daan Utsav

Daan Utsav is a festival celebrated in India, also known as 'Joy of Giving Week'. The joy of Giving Week is a festival of Philanthropy starting from the birth date of Mahatma Gandhi, 2nd October. This week is based on the primary instinct of reverent Mahatma Gandhi, 'Act of Giving'. It is celebrated with tremendous enthusiasm across the country, by people from all walks of life, because of its only motive, the motive of "GIVING".

#DaanUtsav is India's biggest festival in which people come together and perform acts of kindness by giving their time, material or money in interesting ways to any cause(s) of their choice.

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Daan Utsav at Old Age Home

On the occasion of Daan Utsav, CHF celebrated with the senior citizens at Mercy Old Age Home, Mira road, Mumbai. More than 80 senior citizens are living in the home. Filaantro team celebrated with the old age group, who are young at heart, by singing melodies and interacting with them. Filaantro team also conducted a recreational activity - passing the parcel on the tone of music - which held their energies high and attentive all throughout. The team also distributed heaters (Geysers) to the Senior Citizen Home which will benefit them in the coming winter days.



76TH BEACH CLEANUP



The objective of the Clean Beach campaign is to clean up the beaches and raise awareness in the population about marine pollution and contribute with it the reduction of garbage and plastic in the ocean. We can save marine animals, natural resources of the earth and keep poisonous chemicals out of the water.

A hundred villagers along with BMC Staff, children had participated in the 76th beach cleaning and made it successful. We acknowledge the Future India Group along with Filaantro and Child Help Foundation who came forward and made awareness for beach cleaning and proper waste disposal management among the villagers.

Naba Ansari

Naba, a 1-year-old daughter of Saniya and Mohammad Zaid Ansari. Naba had injured herself when her aunty's leg slipped due to the socks she was wearing and Naba fell from her arms on a pot of hot daal. The hot daal pot caused grade 2 burns on her hand and feet. She was immediately rushed to GSK Wellness hospital for her treatment.

Doctors performed Skin grafting treatment which was 3,34,000/-. Naba's father being a labourer was worried about the treatment cost. This is when the MSW in the hospital contacted the Child Help Foundation for support. The CHF team visited the hospital to see Naba and assured them of supporting her treatment. CHF along with Filaantro raised the required amount for her treatment.

"She has become the star of our hospital now. She is such an active child. God bless her recovery".- Dr Satyen.



Athmika



Athmika (8 months) is the only daughter of Binu (Father) who is a driver and Reshmi (Mother), a housewife. Residing in Kanhira Maliyil House in Kasargode, Kerala, Athmika suffered from Congenital Agenesis of the Sternum, a rare chest wall malformation resulting from failed midline fusion during embryonic development. The sternum or breastbone, a long flat bone located in the central part of the chest that connects to the ribs via cartilage and forms the front of the rib cage which helps to protect the heart, lungs and major blood vessels was partially missing in Athmika.

This surgery was done under special protection as it was one of its kind that has happened for the 1st time in the hospital. The Cost of the operation amounted was Rs. 3,75,000/ -.

“The surgery has helped Athmika attain a normal living. Athmika has recovered fast due to the blessings she received from all. We are very thankful to Child Help Foundation and Filaantro.”

- Binu (father).

Jezreel Daniel

They lost their father to cancer and now they want your support to stand up again

Jezreel Daniel lost his father to cancer. He is the sole breadwinner in a family. The family had taken a loan of Rs. 2,60,000 for their father's treatment which needs to be paid off urgently now. He won't be getting this month salary as he was helping around. He has no idea where to go, how to help, he is lost and has no idea how to help his family overcome this dreadful situation. We request you to help him in paying off this debt. Please help them and his family to overcome this distress situation.

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Baby of Priya

Save a 2-month-old baby boy, suffering from Congenital heart disease

The baby was diagnosed with a heart defect right after his birth. The baby had very low weight and had respiratory issues. Worried about their only child, his parents took him to the doctor. Through the tests, his heart defect was diagnosed leaving his parents distressed. The child has suggested an open heart surgery and shifted to Rainbow Children's Heart Institute, Hyderabad. The estimated cost of his treatment is Rs.3,50,000/- (Rupees three lakh fifty thousand only). His surgery would be held in last week of September '21.

Baby's father being the only breadwinner for the family has urged for support.

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