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IDRF's COVID-19 Relief Campaign in the USA

# **Newsletter: September 2020**

Dear Friend,

I hope you and your loved ones are safe and well! Every day, we hear about illness and hunger and the unsettling reality weighs heavy on our hearts. However, as we adapt to these circumstances, we are continuing to serve the underprivileged in India, Nepal ,and Sri Lanka. We are also working closely with the Indian-American organizations in the Washington DC metro area, to help our struggling neighbors during the pandemic. See more details.

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# IDRF's COVID-19 Relief Campaign in the USA "Grab 'n Go Free Food Distribution"

During the pandemic, IDRF has joined hands with the Indian-American organizations in the Washington DC Metro area to help the needy. With the generosity of donors like you, we have launched **24 FREE FOOD** 

USA

3- Memorial or Tribute Gift Donations

4- Monthly Giving

**5- Workplace Giving**Ask your company's HR office if they will match your donation

6- Donate Stock, Bonds & Mutual Funds Avoid capital gains tax

7- Legacy & Planned Gifts
Please remember IDRF in your Will
and Trusts

8- Donate an Old Car www.Donationonline.com (gross proceeds of sale will be tax deductible).

9-You shop, Amazon gives

Shop at Amazon Smile & select "India Development and Relief Fund" as the charity and a portion of your purchase will be donated to IDRF, at no extra cost to you!

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**DISTRIBUTION events** and provided **11,000 bags of groceries** to the struggling families in the area. <u>PICTURES.</u> We are using 100% of donations raised to help those in desperate need.

Montgomery County Council, Maryland's VP-Tom Hucker awarded a citation to IDRF on August 15<sup>th</sup>, 2020, India's 74<sup>th</sup> Independence Day- for its commendable relief work done to serve the multi-cultural and diverse communities in the Washington DC metro area during these challenging times.

To help the struggling and hungry families
Please make a tax-deductible donation TODAY!

Your donation of \$500 will provide groceries to 20 needy families
Online: (Designation: COVID-19 Relief-DMV USA)

Donate now ▶

**OR** 

Mail your Checks (Memo: COVID-19-USA) to:
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### Medical Center with Outpatient Department and Pathology-Laboratory Services, Assam

To provide quality healthcare services at an affordable cost to the poor patients, IDRF helped Vivekananda Kendra establish a Medical Center (OPD and Pathological Laboratory) in Laipuli, Tinsukia district. In June 2020, one year of this medical center was completed and within this first year, more than 5,000 patients were treated and 1,000+ pathological tests were conducted.

### **Our Development Programs During COVID-19**

During the pandemic, our NGO-partners have modified their programs to help the poor and needy!

# Coronavirus safety measures propagated to 100 women's Self Help Groups in Harvana

During the COVID-19 pandemic in India, our partner-NGO Arpana's workers began connecting with leaders of 100 women's Self-Help Groups (SHGs) through telephones to explain the precautionary measures against coronavirus. These leaders in turn educated other members in the villages of Karnal district.

The SHGs sanitized each of their villages along with the help of their *Panchayats*. 500 women from 100 villages volunteered to become the liaison between the

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government officials and the villagers in fight against coronavirus.



SHG members making face masks and providing food to the struggling families

# IDRF makes it to the *Great Non Profit's* 2020 Top Rated List again!

IDRF has earned a spot on the <a href="2020">2020</a> Top Rated List! This "Top-Rated Nonprofit" status is awarded based on independent reviews of donors, volunteers, beneficiaries, and professionals in the same field. A big thank you to all of you, who have shared their inspiring stories about IDRF's work and helped us retain this honor in 2020 as well!

On behalf of my team, once again my heartfelt thanks to you for your kindness and continued support to help the needy during the unusual times.

Stay safe and well, Dr. Vinod Prakash Founder and President (*pro bono*), IDRF



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