



HOMES OF HOPE
India

*Transforming Lives
for 20 Years*



We are Homes of Hope India

Since 2006, we have provided a safe home, education, and new life for more than 5,000 girls living in extreme poverty in India.

Girls who once faced dismal futures of early marriage, child labor, trafficking and abuse, found hope thanks to Homes of Hope.

Why We Do What We Do

Girls who are 4 to 21 years old are especially vulnerable. That is why we focus on them. Our girls are given not only an academic education, but moral and spiritual education as well. We are forming intelligent, self-confident, and inspiring young women ready to meet life's challenges and opportunities.



Nursing students in their tribal dress during Carol's 2025 visit. Our new four-year Holy Spirit Nursing College in Haflong, Assam is scheduled to open in 2026.

Our challenge: 1 in 9 children in India (52 million) live in extreme poverty, often forced to work and prevented from going to school.

Our impact: Girls who finish secondary school – with our help – are TWICE as likely to escape poverty than girls who are unable to receive an education.



“Catholic sisters are the most saintly, humble, loving and caring human beings I know, and we couldn’t do what we do without them.”

– John Clegg, Homes of Hope India Board Director

Our Collaborators – Catholic Sisters

We collaborate with nine orders of Catholic sisters with deep roots in India. As our trusted partners, they oversee the construction of our girls’ homes, hostels, schools, and training centers and run the daily operations. Most importantly, the sisters are like house mothers to our girls and provide a loving presence – nurturing their development.



Our Founder’s Story

In 2006, Paul Wilkes and his wife visited a poor orphanage in Kochi, India. Among the 70 girls they met was Reena. All the girls had suffered from abandonment, abuse, malnutrition – but Reena’s story profoundly moved Paul.

Reena had been begging on the streets and was kidnapped. Her captors held her down and plunged a darning needle in her eye to make her a “better” and more profitable beggar.

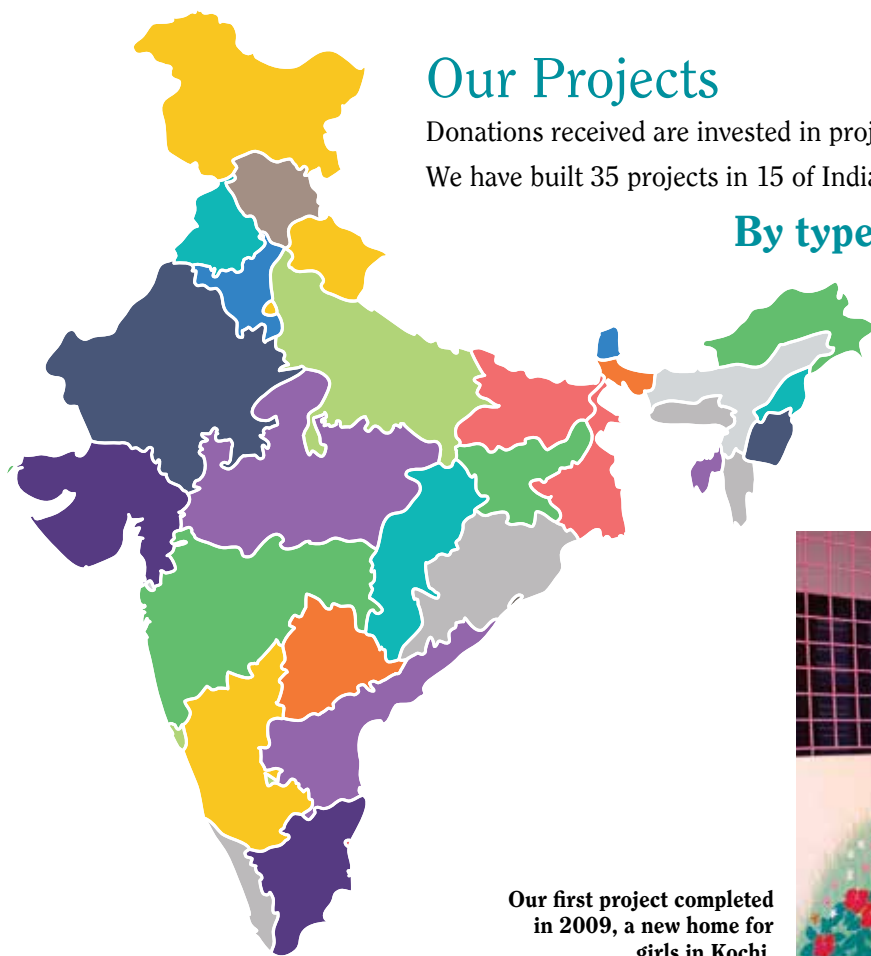
Paul gasped, a look of horror on his face at this unspeakable cruelty. Reena looked up at him with the most beautiful, trusting smile he had ever seen in his life. He vowed to help create a better life for Reena and her friends, and Homes of Hope India was born that day.



**Top: Reena when Paul first met her at the age of six.
Bottom: Today with her adoring husband, Rebin,
beautiful son, Richu, and loving in-laws.**



Our beautiful training center in Khapmara, Meghalaya was completed in 2021 and is ranked 7th in performance in the state. Here young women learn skills in computers, embroidery, sewing, and food harvesting – empowering them to earn income.



Our Projects

Donations received are invested in projects that transform lives.

We have built 35 projects in 15 of India's 28 states – and we're not done yet.

By type:

- 14** Homes for girls
- 13** Hostels for girls to attend school
- 4** Training centers
- 3** Schools
- 1** Nursing college

Our first project completed in 2009, a new home for girls in Kochi.



Experience the joy of giving

and choose your level of support.

\$3,000

Help build a home. As a special thanks, your name will be engraved on a **Stepping Stone** and placed on the **Path of Prayers** leading to a **Home of Hope**. Sisters and girls will walk the stones and pray for you every day.

\$1,000

Send a girl to higher education for one year.

\$300

Help a girl in need for one year.

\$100

Feed an entire home for one week.



**We are proud to report that
94% of all funds raised in 2024
went directly to India to support
our projects and impact.**

Choose Your Method:

Give online:

Arrange monthly payments and donate at **HomesOfHopeIndia.org** or scan the QR code.



Write a check:

Make your check payable to **Homes of Hope India** and mail it to: PO Box 18090 Cleveland Heights, OH 44118

Other options:

Donor Advised Funds, IRAs, and stock gifts are great ways to give. Electronic funds/wire transfers accepted.

Want to learn more? Reach out to Carol!

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