

Dear Ally / Supporter

"We don't ask to be put on a pedestal. Let us work and live without fear. That is all."

SANGRAM is a registered non-profit, established to collectivise, mobilise, and empower rural marginalised populations – female, male, and transgender sex workers and their children, rural women, and other minorities. We are a community-first NGO, committed to playing the role of facilitators, using participatory methods to address social issues.

- Gender-based violence
- HIV/AIDS
- Barriers to Justice
- Barriers to healthcare

Since 1992, we have been supporting communities in 6 rural districts in South Maharashtra and North Karnataka through:

• Shelter, Education

<u>MITRA Collective</u> was conceptualised as a secure 2nd home for children of sex workers. They attend municipal schools nearby and come here for additional tutoring, food and other basics, and companionship.

• Emergency Relief

Sex workers and other vulnerable communities face unthinkable violence on a regular basis. SANGRAM mobilises supporters and resources to ensure the community's safety and to facilitate access to justice. Read more about our efforts in the wake of suspected <u>arson in Karad</u>.

• COVID-19 Support

The Pandemic <u>affected</u> vulnerable populations disproportionately. SANGRAM <u>mobilised</u> donors to sponsor food, sanitizers, masks, sanctuary napkins, blood pressure and diabetes medicine, and other essentials across Maharashtra, Tamil Nadu, Gujarat, Andhra Pradesh/Telangana, and Karnataka.

• Capacity-Building

Empowering the community to be able to advocate for themselves is our guiding principle. <u>The VAMP Institute</u> is just one of our initiatives to place the baton squarely in the able hands of the community. The focuses of these trainings are regional and national law, cross movement dialogues, and grassroots mobilisation.



Our mission is a 24-hour, 365-day undertaking. We are only able to continue this work thanks to the financial support of our allies, and we hope you will join them in sponsoring our efforts.

Your donation will directly support our collectives and their fight against stigma and disenfranchisement. Without, the uphill climb towards strengthening communities to access justice is impossible.

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Donations to SANGRAM are eligible for tax deduction under Section 80G of the Income Tax Act.

Thank you in advance for your support. We would be happy to provide any additional information about our previous work and upcoming projects.

Grateful in anticipation of your generosity and solidarity,

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