

# CHAIIM FOUNDATION

NGO FOR SURVIVORS OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING AND VULNERABLE

ONE LIFE AT A TIME

OUR MISSION IS TO REHABILITATE AND RESTORE SURVIVORS OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING



Chaiim Foundation is registered under the Bombay Public Trust Act 1950 – E29881 and is a NGO rehabilitating survivors of human trafficking and promoting the welfare of the marginalized, the poor, disadvantaged and exploited irrespective of religion, caste or gender.

## Founders Desk

Happy Independence day – India  
- 15<sup>th</sup> Aug 2015

I'm so happy that awareness on Human Trafficking is beginning to show in various formats in society and community. There's nothing like perpetrators getting caught and justice handed out to sexually traumatized young girls and women where the demand is escalating by the day.

There's so much to put in place and at times we feel incapacitated in various forms in giving strength, solace and self to these precious lives who have been so badly wrecked by deceivers and immoral people. Our joys are untold when we see restoration taking place slowly in these precious lives.

Lets continue to be salt and light to the disadvantaged, marginalized and exploited in a time like this.

Lets together change lives – One Life at a Time

Keith & Ramona Dsouza



## A Chaiim Survivor's story

The last three months have been so eventful and impactful in my life that I can hardly breathe. So many activities like hiking, instructional movies, letting my hair down at a water park, my colleagues birthday celebration, group building activities, team management skills, English education and a 3 day monsoon trip to a hill resort and sitting below a waterfall...ooooohh... the list can go on and on.

My life has not been the same again after joining Chaiim Foundation. I had given up all hope and faith in myself and in God after all the sexual and mental abuse I underwent after putting my faith in a person for a job who later turned out to be a pimp. After getting rescued, I didn't know what to do and where to go...that's when I came across Chaiim Foundation. I initially was quite skeptical and nervous in once again putting my faith in somebody new...but my fears were overcome by the founders of Chaiim Foundation and I'm so glad that I'm here. This is home to me and this is where I belong. I've been given a home to stay where my housemother takes care of me. In three months my confidence and personality has zoomed so much that I can fly as our founders have instilled that part in me that is so enriching. If possible I want to go and tell my other friends who are still trapped...to come and join us

I thought I would never see light again...BUT I DID.  
(As narrated to our program Director)

Trafficked survivors have very little means or no means of sustainability, lacking in life skills and education as a result their self-confidence is at an all time low. Giving them a job and providing them with a Fair Trade wage to which education, life skills, vocational training, counseling and housing are added – turns out to be a perfect solution.

Chaiim Foundation offers these survivors a second chance where they can start their lives and regain their dignity in their communities and begin a journey towards restoration and wholeness.



Chaiim beneficiaries have sewn these garments



Chaiim garment Production Unit



I was a victim...now I am a victor. I now have a job and a home to stay. – Sunita (name changed)

**Facts on Human Trafficking in India**

Human trafficking and modern day slavery affect people from all walks of life. Most victims of trafficking are between the ages of 18 and 24. In addition, many of these victims have at least received a mid-level education. 46% of people know their trafficker or recruiter prior to being trafficked. **The average cost of a modern day slave is a mere Rs.100 (1 ½ \$)** Bride trafficking is also commonly called bride buying – a strange term because despite their sale, these ‘brides’ are no commodities. They are real, living females who are victims of trafficking. They are just as human as any of us.

**Quarterly Activities**

Newspaper Fancy Dress



**Testimonials**

This was my first birthday celebrated in my life (I'm 19 today) and I received 24 gifts from all my friends at Chaiim Foundation. My Bday dress was a blue and green salwar kameez... a color I love so much. I cried so much not with pain or anguish but with so much joy that I wanted to sing forever. My housemother is more than a mother and I have a homemade meal prepared when I come home from the work Chaiim has provided for me. Ever since I came into Chaiim Foundation, I've been taken care of and my self worth and confidence has grown. I am learning to forgive but its taking me a lot of time to do this.



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A human trafficker can earn 20 times what he or she paid for a girl. Provided the girl was not physically brutalized to the point of ruining her beauty, the pimp could sell her again for a greater price because he had trained her and broken her spirit, which saves future buyers the hassle. On average, a single sex slave earned her pimp at least 8,50,000 rupees (13,200 \$) a year.

**Donate :**

- Local donations can be made in the name of “**Chaiim Foundation**”
- Contact us for any further information on ways to donate or partnerships or any other queries at : [contact@chaiimfoundation.org](mailto:contact@chaiimfoundation.org)

**Please pray for**

- Volunteers, Donors
- Self-sustainability
- 15 more survivors waiting to enter

The programs at Chaiim Foundation like education in Maths and English and counseling is helping me a lot and my teacher is so kind and patient.

I want to become a fashion designer one day. - Salini (narrated to case study worker)

