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## WORLD SERVICE PROJECTS

### QUOTA CLUB OF BA, FIJI: 1989 - 1991

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**Project:**

H.A.R.T. (Housing Assistance Relief Trust) is an organization that provides housing to the destitute. These are mainly deserted wives, widows, and others in similar situations. H.A.R.T. relies heavily on donations, yet it can only provide a roof and four walls--no furniture and only bare concrete floors.

**Objective:**

To sponsor families who cannot afford food or shelter.

**Project details:**

Ba has 24 units. The original units in Ba are wooden. One of them was occupied by Gauri, a deserted mother of a six-year-old, with a bed-ridden blind mother to look after. Her unit is so unfit to live in--rotten floor and falling room partitions--that the H.A.R.T. committee has shifted her to a safer unit. Last year we provided her with groceries so that she could stay home and look after her invalid mother, and paid her daughter's kindergarten fees, while we waited to receive help from our Quotarian sisters to repair her unit.

Late last year her mother died, so Gauri can work full time now, but her unit is still uninhabitable.

**Financial requirements:**

H.A.R.T. relies on donations only. It does not receive government subsidy. H.A.R.T. tenants are expected to pay a \$10 deposit, \$2 a month for rent, and \$1 a month for electricity. Most cannot pay this, but are not evicted. Consequently, we need U.S. \$1,500 to \$2,000 to complete this project.

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### QUOTA CLUB OF MADRAS, INDIA: 1989 - 1991

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**Project:**

A Shatter Silence project to aid the Mary Clubwalla Jadhav School for the Deaf in Annanagar Madras.

**Background:**

The Quota Club of Madras, India, had the largest membership among the Indian Quota clubs, with more than 23 dedicated members. We would like to appeal to our fellow members all over the world for support of one of our Shatter Silence projects as their club-to-club project.

We have for the past four years been involved with and provided much financial support for the Mary Clubwalla Jadhav School for the Deaf (children) in our city. One of our current projects for the school is an annual sports meet for the children. Through this event, they experience a sense of participation and involvement in extracurricular activities. The club purchases the prizes and pays for expenses incurred.

Other projects to benefit the school include an annual academic best outgoing student prize and cash donations toward soundproofing the classrooms. Our members have made other small personal contributions.

**Objective:**

Mary Clubwalla Jadhav is a unique school in that admission is not based on age of entry, but on degree of deafness with regards to educability, hence providing an opportunity for those children in whom the hearing handicap is partial, but detected later.

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**Financial requirements:**

The school authorities have proposed expansion of the school premises and the Quota Club of Madras has already donated 10,000 rupees (U.S.\$600) toward the construction of the first floor. We would like to contribute more toward this goal since the school is an ongoing project for our club. Therefore, we, the Quota Club of Madras, India, are putting forth a worldwide appeal for support for our project.

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**QUOTA CLUB OF NEW DELHI, INDIA: 1989 - 1991** \_\_\_\_\_**Project:**

To build a home for the abandoned and destitute women of Delhi.

**Project details:**

The project consists of building eight units each consisting of 10 family rooms that will allow a mother and her children to live comfortably as human beings. The length of stay in the home will be between 12 and 24 months or until the woman is trained in a useful and productive occupation that will provide for her family needs and give her the opportunity to adjust to her new status as a worthwhile woman and not a slave in a patriarchal society. Once the woman is able to earn she will contribute to the family's living expenses and education.

The Delhi Quotarians are committed to the building of one of these homes to be called the Quota House. Once finished, it will be managed and financed by a women's organization, headed by Mrs. Tara Ali Baig, chief administrator of women's affairs in Delhi and chief administrator of S.O.S. villages in India.

**Background:**

The traditional role of an Indian woman (the indoctrination begins in the cradle) is that she exists as a vassal of man. She is the servant of his family, compelled by tradition to accept whatever treatment is meted out. Her whole life from the day of her marriage (often as a child) is set on a course of serfdom. If her marriage fails, she has nowhere to go. The only escape for these abandoned and destitute creatures in the past has been suicide by immolation or the brothels. The Quota Club of New Delhi recognizes this terrible problem and its members have vowed to establish a refuge for these unwanted women.

**Project location:**

Faridabab, a township on the outskirts of Delhi.

**Progress and financial requirements:**

The Quota Club of New Delhi has held functions annually to raise funds for this home. We also have received donations from many Quota clubs around the world. The amount received so far is more than Rs. 288,000 rupees (U.S.\$18,500). These funds are in a fixed deposit for which we receive interest. However, we need an additional Rs. one million rupees (U.S.\$61,000) to complete our project.

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## QUOTA CLUB OF CEBU, THE PHILIPPINES: 1989 - 1991

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**Project:**

The Quota Club of Cebu Day Care Centre.

**Purpose of the project:**

This project is a very concrete way of showing and practicing Quota's motto, "We Share," since the day-care centre takes care of three- to six-year-old preschoolers who are otherwise left neglected by their financially deprived parents. This serves as a venue of helping the children to be better prepared for formal schooling by age seven. It is also a forum for early education and values orientation.

Parents benefit from the project because it relieves them of some of their home responsibilities. The community enjoys an improved standard of living as a result of the project's informational and educational aspects.

**Objectives:**

1. A close follow-up on the information and educational curriculum.
2. Health and medical follow-ups in the form of deworming and regular medical checks by the committee chairman and other invited medical personnel.
3. Formation of a parents' group to encourage self-help activities.
4. Maintenance of the centre's facilities (tables and chairs) as well as the provision of other essential equipment and teaching materials.
5. Provision of monthly stipend to the day-care worker.
6. Provision of educational seminars such as classes for mothers, sanitation classes, etc.
7. Support of the feeding program for the mild and moderately malnourished children of the centre.
8. Establishment of links and networking with other governmental and non-governmental agencies to serve as back-up resources.

**Financial requirements:**

Need P50,000 (U.S.\$2,500) for completion of this project.

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## QUOTA CLUB OF ILOILO, THE PHILIPPINES: 1989 - 1991

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**Project:**

High school education for the deaf.

**Objectives:**

1. To provide for higher education of the elementary school graduates of the SPED School for Exceptional Children who are hearing and speech impaired. Secondary or high school education will better prepare these handicapped children for their adult role in society—that of becoming productive citizens of the country.
2. To better equip these individuals with skills needed to get jobs in the near future.
3. To instill in the minds of these adolescents proper values and attitudes despite their handicap.
4. To provide further education for deaf individuals who are intellectually endowed, and who would benefit from further (college) education in the future.

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## QUOTA CLUB OF COLOMBO, SRI LANKA: 1989 - 1991

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### Project:

Deaf screening and assessment centre.

### Background:

Since Sri Lanka is a country of great poverty and illiteracy, the incidence of deafness is greater and the ability to overcome is less. Deafness does not evoke a sympathetic response at first sight and even physicians do not consider deafness as serious as other handicaps. This results in a double disability of lost hearing and speech and a resulting communication gap. Unlike blindness, the disabling aspect of deafness can be overcome if proper steps are taken. We would like to initiate a deaf screening center in Sri Lanka.

### Objectives:

1. To prevent abnormal development in children due to deafness and dumbness at an early age and to promote optimal child health—physical, mental, and emotional—thus enabling every child to develop his or her full potential and overcome the disability.
2. To encourage deafness awareness in parents, interested persons, and agencies concerned with child care and development.
3. To make immunization facilities that prevent deafness related diseases available to all.
4. To benefit pregnant mothers and children of both sexes from birth to 19 years of age, irrespective of nationality.

### Assessment:

Assessment team members include pediatrician, child psychiatrist, audiology technician, speech therapist, ENT surgeon, and nurses. Each individual team member provides a particular perspective to understand and deal with the child's problems.

### Physical aspect:

- Comprehensive assessment of the child's overall development.
- Assessment of the child's disabilities and advice on treatment to improve hearing and speech.
- Advice and, in special cases, treatment of medical conditions.

### Psychological aspect:

- Employment of psychological tests and play techniques to assess the child's mental, emotional, and social development.
- Application of counseling or therapy for children with behavioral and emotional problems.

### Social aspect:

- Detailed study of the child's social environment and his family background.
- Counseling service for the parents and teachers.
- Appropriate placement of the child.
- Referral to government departments and voluntary agencies for all types of assistance.

### Screening services:

- For pregnant women, followed by advice and attention if needed.
- For deafness in newborn children, with future follow-up.
- For deafness in preschool and school age children.
- For hearing- and speech-impaired children with further treatment.

### Financial requirements:

As financial aid for building is being negotiated with our government and organizations such as UNICEF, assistance is sought from our sister Quota clubs for donations of cash to purchase equipment such as audio meter-free field, auroscope, set of tuning forks, head mirror with lamp, set of ear speculums, sterilizer, etc. Estimated cost was SL RP 150,000 (U.S.\$4,400). See page 6 for club contact information.