

Volunteering opportunities with Ashray Akruti



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1.ABOUT ASHRAY AKRUTI

Ashray Akruti, is a registered non-profit, non-government and non-religious organisation, has worked to better the lives of underprivileged groups in society including individuals with disabilities. The group firmly believes in the potential of individuals with disabilities and envisions a society in which they live with dignity, treated as equal citizens, and have fair access to opportunities and services. In response to the community's demand for high-quality services for kids with hearing impairments, Ashray Akruti opened its first special school in Hyderabad in 1996, serving just five students. The group currently works on health, education, and skillbuilding initiatives related to disabilities, with a particular emphasis on hearing impairment. Development specialists, special educators, speech therapists, auditoriums, and committed volunteers make up Ashray Akruti's internal expertise. These individuals can carry out initiatives with clear objectives and quantifiable results. Ashray Akruti is a recognized organization that complies with standards of accountability, transparency, and good governance and has been certified by GuideStar India, Crisil, and the "Credibility Alliance." The Tata Institute of Social Sciences' National CSR hub is affiliated with the organization. Additionally, the company is connected to Benevity, Goodera, CAF America, CAF India, and Give India.

Vision

Empower people with disabilities and people from underprivileged background through quality education, health care and sustainable livelihoods.

Mission

To create institutional, non-institutional and community based interventions for the people to help them become independent self-reliant and contributing citizens of the country.

Core Values

- 1. Empowerment
- 2. Innovation
- 3. Accountability and Transparency

2. Objectives of the volunteering activities:

- Conducting workshops or training sessions for the children in improving various skills (computer literacy, arts and crafts etc,)
- Creating awareness about the rights and inclusion, and various other aspects.
- Supporting health related activities (hearing assessments, distribution of hearing aids etc.)
- Organising extracurricular activities like sports, arts to ensure holistic development and boost the confidence of the children.

Volunteers:

Volunteers play a significant role in carrying out organisational vision, mission and values. The role of volunteers in fostering the growth of Ashray Akruti, the contributions of volunteers to the organisation is vast that includes teaching skills, mentoring the children in volunteer activities & skill development, conducting workshops and more. Volunteers at Ashray Akruti paly a multifaceted role, significantly contributing to the organisation's success. By offering their time, skills and dedication, volunteers enhance the quality of service provided and foster a supportive community in and around Ashray Akruti. The collective efforts of volunteers ensure that Ashray Akruti can continue to make a meaningful impact on the children.

3. Our work

Ashray Akruti impacting the lives of person with hearing-impairment with Education, Health and Skill development project. Under each area Ashray Akruti

works with people at the grassroots level, implementing various intervention and rehabilitation project as mentioned below-

EDUCATION:

Special Schools for children with Hearing impairment

Ashray Akruti provides special Education and Rehabilitation facilities through its recognized special schools. Located at Srinagar Colony and Chandrayangutta in Hyderabad, Telangana, and one at Kadapa, Andhra Pradesh. 650+ Hearing impaired children benefited through this program.

E-Learning Accessible content for Hearing impaired children

Ashray Akruti's E-Learning program aims to improve academic performance and promote digital learning for hearing-impaired children. The program utilizes interactive graphical representation and step-by-step explanations to help students understand complex concepts. The audio-visual method of teaching, combined with sign language interpretation and embedded subtitles, creates a disciplined learning environment that makes the classroom a fascinating place for new learners. This multifaceted approach transforms the classroom into a captivating space for new learners, encouraging their active participation and comprehension.

Diploma in Special Education (Hearing Impairment)

Ashray Akruti provides D. Ed course in special education (Hearing Impairment) recognized by Rehabilitation Council of India, to develop special educators for the sector.

Early Intervention Center and Auditory Verbal Therapy center

The organization provides Auditory Verbal Therapy and Early Intervention center at four centers at S R Nagar, Chandrayangutta, Vengal Rao Nagar and Chandrayanguta, Hyderabad Telangana. The centres Provide intensive trainings to hearing impaired children who have undergone Cochlear Implant surgeries. 120 young hearing-impaired children avail the facilities.

Inclusive Education

To fulfil the Right of Participation and Equal Opportunities for children with Disabilities, Ashray Akruti launched its Inclusive Education Program in five government schools within the Qutbullapur Mandal of Medchal-Malkajgiri district. This initiative enables children with hearing loss to study alongside their hearing peers in mainstream schools. Presently, 35 students are registered beneficiaries of this program.

Partnership with Government Special Schools for children with hearing impairment

Ashray-Akruti has partnered with Government Residential Schools in Malakpet and Asmangadh, Hyderabad, Telangana state. This collaboration aims to enhance learning outcomes for 191 children with hearing impairment.

HEALTH:

Cochlear Implant Surgery

The organization facilitate cochlear implant surgeries and so far, 135 hearing impaired children have been gifted Hearing.

Community Outreach Program on Ear and Hearing care , Mobile Vans on Ear and Hearing Care

The organization conducts Ear and Hearing Medical camps through its Mobile Medical vans. Camps are conducted at Anganwadi centers, Government schools to identify children with ear infections, impacted wax, children with disabilities. The organization has three mobile hearing vans. More than 1,20,000 beneficiaries have been covered so far.

Hearing Diagnostic Facility

The organization operates three ground-based hearing clinics: two in Hyderabad, Telangana (Srinagar Colony and Chandrayangutta), and one in Kadapa, Andhra Pradesh. These clinics are equipped with advanced hearing diagnostic tools such as BERA, Impedance, and PTA. More than 50,000 patients have been screened at these free hearing clinics

New Born Hearing Screening

In collaboration with government hospitals, Ashray Akruti has screened 10,600 newborn babies to identify hearing impairments early and initiate appropriate interventions for those diagnosed with deafness.

Covid Relief Services

During the COVID-19 pandemic, Ashray Akruti provided crucial support to people in Hyderabad, Ranga Reddy, and Medchal by distributing grocery kits, isolation kits, and medical relief. In 2021 alone, the organization assisted more than 12,000 persons with disabilities and underprivileged individuals.

Multi-Disciplinary Center for children with special needs at Borabanda, Hyderabad

The organization provides holistic therapy services to children with multiple disabilities such as speech therapy, physio therapy, and behaviour therapy under one roof. 67 children are being enrolled with disabilities such as cerebral palsy, locomotor disabilities, and children with ADHD, Intellectual disabilities with efficient professional team such as speech therapists, psychologists, and physiotherapists.

SKILL DEVELOPMENT:

Multimedia and Animation Training Center for Youth with disabilities

Unemployed youth with disabilities and hearing impairment are trained in Multimedia and Animation and are offered placements in several animation companies. Around 150 people are trained every year. This Center located at Srinagar Colony Hyderabad.

Sign Language Training

Ashray Akruti is intensively raising awareness in promoting sign language to bridge the communication gap between deaf people and hearing people through various Training Programs in Indian Sign Language. More than 1000 people have been trained so far in Basic Indian Sign Language including people various walks of life, Family Members of deaf Children and Corporates.

WEST Project

Ashray Akruti launched a new initiative called WEST (Women Empowerment through Sign Language and Technology) to empower women from underprivileged backgrounds using sign language and technology. The program started with 18 participants and now has 26 women who have been trained in sign language, Spoken English, communication, financial, computer, soft skills, and technology over three months. The women received a stipend during the course and some are now ready for employment. Ashray Akruti will provide employment to some of the women in its projects and help others find placements in different organizations.

Awards and Recognitions (Attached the copies of certificates)

- 1. Best NGO in the District of Hyderabad by Government of Telangana in June 2016
- 2. Best NGO in the State Government o Telangana in December 2017
- 3. Transparency Award from GuideStar
- 4. Member of the world hearing forum recognized by World Health Organization (WHO) for the period 2019-2021
- 5. Affiliated by Rehabilitation Council of India
- 6. State Government recognition certificate for Special school.
- 7. Ashray Akruti is registered with CSR1 of Ministry of Corporate Affairs.
- 8. Recognition by Telangana State Government for Commendable Relief Work During COVID-19 in 2020 & 2021
- 9. State Award 2024 for exemplary services rendered in the field of Best Institution /NGO.

4.Opportunities in Ashray Akruti:

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1.	Improve Online presence of the Ashray Akruti's work
2.	Creating IEC material for the organization.
3.	Creative content writing
4.	Be a Mentor to the hearing-impaired youth.
5.	Conduct the dance classes
6.	Training to Teachers on technology

7.	Conduct the sports activity
8.	Computer training for the Students
9.	Teaching Coding to the students
10.	Provide training on Financial Management and Human Resource
	Management
11.	Identify the children with disabilities who required therapy
	interventions (Areas: Borabanda and Manikonda, Chintal)
12.	Learn Sign Language to communicate with Hearing Impaired
13.	Identify employment opportunity to Hearing Impaired youth
14.	Conduct team building activities to MMA(multimedia animation
	training)
15.	Conduct Art & Craft Activity
16.	Sharing Interview skills with the hearing impaired youth
17.	Conduct basic MS-Office training in word, Excel and PowerPoint
	Presentations,
18.	Preparing PPTs on General social topics for the hearing-impaired
	students,
19.	Provide training on Financial Management to the WEST (Women
	Empowerment through sign language and technology students)
20.	Conduct Personality development sessions to the Hearing-
	impaired youth,
21.	Handwriting training sessions for school students.
22.	Conduct general awareness workshops to the Parents of the
	Children at MDC
23.	Conduct Soft Skills training to WEST trainees
24.	Conduct training sessions on Etiquettes.
25.	Engaging in Independence Day and republic day events

5.Role of volunteers:

- providing awareness about the problems faced by specially abled people.
- Involving in early intervention program to provide the treatment for the children.
- Engaging in conducting extracurricular activities to children
- Volunteers will our extra human resource, where they will be experts in various aspects like computer literacy and other areas which will help children in developing new skills
- Motivating children in developing new skills .

6.Skills required:

- Self-motivated
- Commitment
- Communication
- Compassion
- ➤ Leadership
- Strong work ethic
- ➤ Teamwork

7.Outcome and impact:

- Enhanced Financial Sustainability
- Improved Awareness
- Empowered Educators and Students
- Holistic Development of students
- Improved Quality of Life for Individuals with Disabilities
- Economic Empowerment

Inclusive Communication

8. Locations:

Ashray Akruti Special Schools for Hearing Impaired

1. Location: Sri Nagar Colony

Address: 8.3-1027/A2, Lane Opp, To Indian Bank, Srinagar Colony, Hyderabad-500 073

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2. Location: Chandrayangutta

Address: H.No: 18-1-350/22/46, Opp. Metro Function Hall, Lane Beside NIYAR Nursing Home, Fathima Nagar Chandrayangutta, Hyderabad-500005

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3. Location: Kadapa

Address:D.No:1/722 Dwaraka Nagar, Kadapa, Andhra Pradesh 516001, Ph: 7032700506

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Ashray Akruti Hearing Clinics

4. Location: Sri Nagar Colony

Address: 8-3-1027/A2, Lane Opp. To Indian Bank, Srinagar Colony, Hyderabad-500 073

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5. Location: Chandrayangutta

Address: H.No:18-1-350/22/46, Opp.Metro Function Hall, Lane Beside NIYAR Nursing Home, Fathima Nagar Chandrayangutta, Hyderabad-500005

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6. Location: Chintal

Sadguru's Complex, Shop No.2, Cellar, Plot No. 7/Part, Survey No. 18B, Sagar Enclaves, Surya Nagar, Quthbullapur, Medchal- Malkajgiri Dist. Telangana – 500054 https://maps.app.goo.gl/DdDNjuXz4zfyyFyg6?g_st=com.google.maps.preview.copy

7. Location: Kadapa

Address: D. No: 1/722 Dwaraka Nagar, Kadapa, Andhra Pradesh 516001, Ph: 7032700806

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Ashray Akruti Audio Verbal Therapy Center

8. Location: S R Nagar

H No 65/B Beside Bachapan School S R Nagar Hyderabad Ph:9000111147

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Ashray Akruti Multidisciplinary Centers

9. Location: Borabanda

Address: H.No: 8-4-379/139F, Sitel Colony, NRR Puram, Borabanda, Hyderabad, Telangana – 500018

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10. Location: Manikonda

Address: H no. 5 - 100/1/2/A, Shanti kunj colony, puppalaguda, Shivalayam Road, Opp. Indian Bank, Manikonda, Hyderabad

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11. Location: Chintal

Address: Aditya Residency, Plot H.NO.47-13/8, Sri Sai colony, Ground Floor, Chintal, Outhbullapur, Medchal - Malkajgiri District, Hyderabad - 500037.

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Ashray Akruti Multimedia and Animation training unit

12. Location: Srinagar Colony

Address: 2nd floor, Vasudeva Plaza, Srinagar Colony Main Road, Yella Reddy Guda, Hyderabad, Telangana 500073

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Ashray Akruti E-Learning & WEST Centre

13. Location: Srinagar Colony

8-3-961/B, Nagarjuna Nagar colony, Yella Reddy Guda, Hyderabad, Telangana 500073

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Appendix



Engaging with children (Outdoor games)



Art and craft session with children



Hand painting at MDC Manikonda



Volunteering at Independence Day/ republic day events



Volunteering at IDPwD event



Conducting sessions for MMA and school students