

WHERE IT COUNTS:

- MAKING A MEANINGFUL DIFFERENCE

"It's often said that the true measure of a society is how it treats its most vulnerable members, if that's the case, Helpdrive Foundation is a shining example of compassion, dedication, and commitment to social justice".

Founded in 2019, HelpDrive Foundation has quickly established itself as a leading voice for marginalized communities in Gujarat. Their mission is clear: to empower women and children, support the elderly, and improve the livelihoods of all living beings. Through their focus on orphanage support, child rights, education, and other initiatives, HelpDrive Foundation has become a vital partner for government agencies, donors, and volunteers who share their vision for a more just and equitable society.

When Tarun Mishra founded Help Drive Foundation, his goal was simple: to help people in need. "We have lots of people who are overlooked by society, backward class, and so on," he said. "I wanted to help them." Mishra's desire to make a positive impact on the world was rooted in his childhood when he saw people selling balloons or begging on the streets and felt a deep sense of compassion for them.

Over time, HelpDrive Foundation's focus areas have expanded to encompass a broad range of issues, from women's empowerment to animal welfare. But the organization's core mission remains the same: to provide support and assistance to marginalized and vulnerable populations. And despite the diverse range of programs and initiatives that Help Drive Foundation has developed, Mishra and his team are committed to staying true to their founding principles.

"Our tagline, 'our little time can change someone's life,' is all about how our organization grew," Mishra explained. "Initially, I never thought that this organization would grow this broad. I started it with the thought of helping people with whatever source or capacity I have. However, his belief in doing good deeds never disappointed him, and slowly people started joining the organization, and the range of its services grew wider with time.



Tarun Mishra, FOUNDER



"Tarun Mishra; smiles with some of the individuals his NGO has helped"



“ Bringing joy to the vulnerable”



“A moment of connection : illustrates the organization's dedication to supporting seniors”



One of HelpDrive Foundation's most significant achievements is the establishment of a shelter home for the needy. The government provided financial assistance, while the foundation managed the construction and staffed the shelter home. The home provides a safe and secure space for children, senior citizens, disabled individuals, transgender people, and others who are in need of support.

When asked about the organization's approach to balancing its efforts across different areas and prioritizing which programs to pursue, Tarun shared that the foundation has a priority list that focuses on three sectors: senior citizens, disabled persons, and homeless people.

The main focus of the foundation is on livelihood, and it aims to provide a permanent solution to their problems so that they can be self-dependent. For disabled individuals, Help Drive Foundation creates opportunities for self-employment by building shops and cabins where they can sell goods and services. "Disabled individuals are often wrongly assumed to be unemployed due to their disability, when in reality, they are capable of contributing to society in numerous ways, including the workforce", Mishra said. By providing disabled individuals with the tools and resources they need to start their own businesses, Help Drive Foundation empowers them to become self-sufficient and live more fulfilling lives. For senior citizens, HelpDrive Foundation provides essential support like groceries and rations, which are often in short supply. For those who are unable to earn for themselves, the foundation brings them to the shelter home, where they receive medical care and other services. "Our staff and caretakers look after them, do their daily Check-ups, and provide medicines from government hospitals," Mishra said. "We want to make sure that they are comfortable and well-cared for."

As HelpDrive Foundation continues to expand and grow, Mishra is focused on staying true to the organization's core values of compassion, empathy, and dedication to helping others. "Our work is not just about providing material support," he said. "It's about showing

people that they matter, that they are valued and that they are not alone. That's what drives us to keep going".

One of the most critical aspects of the foundation's success is its collaboration with local communities and government agencies. Help Drive Foundation has established 10 to 12 shelter homes in different cities of Gujarat and 2 to 3 in Mumbai. Tarun emphasized that after bringing people to shelter homes, their responsibility increases. The foundation works with the local government to help people get their documents, including Aadhaar cards and old age pensions and assists them in opening bank accounts and finding jobs. They also provide training to those who are capable of working in different fields to help them lead a disciplined lifestyle. Due to its successful initiatives, the foundation receives a lot of help from the government.

Helping others is not a one-time activity; it's a habit," says Tarun Mishra. Starting with just a few volunteers, the organization has grown considerably over the years, reaching out to more and more people in need.

When asked about how it feels to share his life with these people and how it has impacted his own life, Mishra stated that it is a very special feeling of helping them. He believes that there is a power in nature that makes things good and happy and that seeking the blessings of these people has helped him to overcome any troubles he faces. He feels fortunate and confident in his life and is grateful for the time he spends with these individuals.

Mishra believes that to find fulfillment in non-profit work, one must understand the people they are helping instead of just sympathizing with them. He encourages people to get involved in any way they can,

Whether it be through monetary or physical support to any NGO or helping organization. There is no set method to starting this work, and

He believes that "Dedication and passion one brings to their work determines success, not solely by external factors such as talent or resources". Tarun reflected on the experience of sharing his life with those the HelpDrive Foundation serves and said, "It's a very special feeling of helping them. It's a very special feeling helping them," Tarun said, reflecting on the experience of sharing his life with the people served by the HelpDrive Foundation. "As a scientific person, I used to be skeptical about the idea of a higher power in nature. However, since joining this work, I have come to believe that there is a force that brings happiness and kindness into our lives. Through spending time with those I work with and seeking their blessings, I have found myself able to overcome challenges and feel more confident and fortunate in my life", he said.

When asked about advice he would give to someone interested in getting involved with non-profit work, Tarun emphasizes the importance of understanding the cause and the people you want to help. "For finding their sense of purpose and fulfillment in this type of work, people need to understand them instead of just sympathizing with them," he says.

To raise awareness about the work they do, HelpDrive Foundation has been posting videos on social media platforms for the past two years. These videos are meant to motivate young people and others to get involved in non-profit work. "Our motive is to reach out to them through our motivational videos and give them the urge and challenge to work," Tarun explains. "If he's getting support and love from society, why can't I?"

For Tarun, the name of his organization embodies its purpose and motivation: to drive all over the state and city, door to door, to help people." We simply don't want to confine our assistance to a specific area", he adds. "In the future, we want to help more and more and increase our focus range. We want to reach out to people and not people to reach out. My dream is that our organization reaches each city, each state, and all over India.

Since its inception eight years ago, HelpDrive Foundation has been committed to providing full support and management to those in need, particularly those who are often forgotten or overlooked by society. "We hope to help people at ground levels with our full support and management," says Mishra, emphasizing the importance of transparency in their work.

But HelpDrive Foundation is more than just an organization. It is a movement towards greater kindness and compassion in the world, and Mishra encourages everyone to become a part of it. "We have two ways for supporting our organization," he explains. "There are two main ways to assist our organization: by giving of your time to work with us and directly improve the lives of individuals we serve; or through financial contributions to help us sustain and expand our programs. Whether you have a few hours to spare or are able to make a donation, your support is greatly appreciated and helps us make a meaningful impact in the world.

"While financial contributions are always appreciated, we believe that the best way to support our mission is through voluntary work. Whether it's with our organization or in your own neighborhood, we encourage individuals to take the initiative to help those in need. By joining this movement and taking action to make a difference, you become an integral part of creating positive change in the world."

For Mishra, the work of the HelpDrive Foundation is not something to boast about, but rather a reflection of his own experiences and challenges. "I've seen the struggles of life first-hand," he says. "And I believe that everyone should be thankful for what they have and always stay positive and satisfied. With his dedication to kindness and compassion, Tarun Mishra is truly driving change across India.

"As the old saying goes, 'actions speak louder than words.' But in the age of social media, is it really such a bad thing to talk about those actions? Mishra doesn't think so. In fact, he's using the power of social media to inspire and motivate others to help those in need. But it hasn't been an easy road. With criticism and negativity at every turn, Tarun has learned that the only way to make a difference is to keep moving forward. So let's dive in and see how one man's passion for helping others is changing the world, one post at a time."

Tarun's journey is a reminder that everyone has their own challenges in life, and it's essential to be grateful for what we have. His message is simple, stay positive, and be satisfied with life. In a world where negativity often dominates, but Tarun's organization is a beacon of hope that inspires and motivates people to do well.

