



Innovative partnerships with the poor to bring about **Spiritual, Social and Economic** transformation

Hands of Freedom is a registered 501(c)(3) non-profit organization focused on helping the poor of India. We work with the groups relegated to the bottom rung of society and help them transform their lives. As a holistic, Gospel-Centered movement, Hands of Freedom is enabling, equipping and empowering the poor to journey beyond their circumstance by providing spiritual, educational and business mentoring and opportunities.



Families at Risk

Current estimates reveal 40 to 44 million at-risk children living in India. Many of those go to sleep on the pavement each night, hungry and unprotected. The third-largest crime in India, after drugs and gun smuggling, is child trafficking. Each year, 30,000 children, mainly young girls, are forced into prostitution and sexual slavery. India is home to the largest population of working children in the world. Children are trapped struggling as child laborers, most working in hazardous and degrading conditions, for an average of 12 hours a day.

Hands of Freedom has helped to launch multi-faceted kingdom solutions which we believe will help us rescue vulnerable families and help sustain them.

Church Planting: Helping India's poor have a relationship with Christ is central to our vision and mission. Churches play a critical role as the hub of spiritual, economic and social development in each community.

Education & Literacy: We believe providing education is the only way to help break the cycle of poverty that entangles multiple generations. Hands of Freedom is working to educate the poor, who are discriminated against and not otherwise provided with educational opportunities.

Water & Health Services: Hands of Freedom is providing hope through health. We are changing lives with our water well projects and healthful living education, and by providing access to basic medical services.

Savings Groups, Business Development: Hands of Freedom is helping families escape loan sharks and legalized slavery (bonded labor) by organizing self-managed, voluntary savings groups, providing vocational training opportunities and supporting business development training.



The Freedom Center

Help us Build a City on a Hill

Life for the poor in India is extremely challenging. Due to a lack of education among the poor and lack of opportunities, the cycle of poverty entangles multiple generations. One-third of the world's poor live in India. Poverty hits children the hardest. Vulnerable and desperate, they are exploited and pushed into hard labor, beggar gangs or even trafficked.

The only way to empower impoverished children and families is by providing them with quality education. Government schools do not do this. In many instances, disinterested teachers may not even show up to class. Moreover, the poor (the majority of whom are the lowest castes) are discriminated against and not provided with opportunities.



The Freedom Center vocational center (artist's rendering)



Inside a Freedom Center classroom (artist's rendering)

Our Lord has given us a God-sized vision: to build a Freedom Center in our community

Our vision for the Freedom Center is to be the light of Christ to those living in poverty and help guide them towards physical, social and spiritual transformation. In this place, people will encounter Christ, and by receiving a valuable education, they will journey out of poverty and into their God-given destinies.

The Freedom Center will provide:

- Tuition, dorm-style housing, clothes, books and medical care
- K-12 education for up to 600 children at a time
- Those who need non-formal education will be given vocational training which will ensure decent employment opportunities. Thousands of well-paid job opportunities shall open for these children.
- A parenting model that will help these children navigate this journey. These children will in turn help their families get out of the cycle of poverty.
- Children who graduate with a high school diploma from the school will be able to compete with the best and be on their way to a God given destiny. They will be catalysts that bring change in their families, communities and beyond. They will become professionals in various fields such as computer software, medicine, engineering, law, accountancy and various other fields. Most will be the first generation in their family to do so.