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Giving Resource Guide

Second Surge of COVID-19 Cases in India



In April 2021, India began experiencing a second surge in COVID-19 cases – surpassing 400,000 cases and 2,700 deaths per day by early May¹. Philanthropy has a critical role to play in supporting India’s health care system and increasing access to life-saving oxygen, test kits, hospital beds, personnel, drugs, therapeutics, and vaccines.

For philanthropists who feel compelled to help India, below is a curated list of non-profit organizations sourced and selected with input from on-the-ground stakeholders in India as well as international partners working to coordinate relief resources and services.

1. [Akshaya Patra Foundation USA](#)

Focus: Food and Basic Services to Vulnerable Communities

HQ: Canoga Park, CA

2019 Operating Budget: \$9.5 million

Overview: Akshaya Patra Foundation USA supports Akshaya Patra, the world’s largest NGO-run school meal program that provides nutritious lunches to more than 1.8 million children throughout nearly 20,000 schools in India. Since the COVID-19 lockdown began, Akshaya Patra has served more than 122 million meals to vulnerable communities such as migrant workers and their families, school children, and homeless individuals.

India COVID-19 Response: Akshaya Patra is providing food relief to migrants workers, including home cooked meals, ration boxes for families, and Happiness Kits containing 20 days worth of food, hygiene products, and educational supplies to Akshaya Patra’s mid-day meal beneficiaries.

To donate, please visit [this link](#). If you are making grants to Akshaya Patra via Morgan Stanley GIFT, please indicate “India COVID-19 Relief”.

2. [Americares India](#)

Focus: Oxygen, Emergency Medical Supplies

HQ: Stamford, CT (USA); Mumbai, India

2019 Operating Budget: \$1 billion (HQ; not specific to India)

Overview: Americares India saves lives and improves health for people affected by poverty or disaster so they can reach their full potential. Americares India is part of the Americares network, which supports more than 4,000 health centers worldwide with transformative

¹ World Health Organization: [WHO Health Emergency COVID-19 Dashboard](#). May 3, 2021.

health projects and donations of medicine.

India COVID-19 Response: AmeriCares India, which has supported over 100 health care facilities in 14 states throughout the pandemic, is responding to the latest surge of COVID-19 infections by providing health facilities with life-saving equipment (e.g. ventilators, oxygen concentrators), protecting healthcare workers by providing PPE, providing telehealth consultations and medicine delivery, and leading prevention education in vulnerable communities across India. Additionally, AmeriCares has mobilized support to address the two major aftereffects of COVID-19 namely, mental health and poor nutrition.

To donate, please visit [this link](#). Donations to AmeriCares are currently being matched 2x. If you are making grants to AmeriCares via Morgan Stanley GIFT, please indicate “India COVID-19 Relief”.

3. **Dasra**

Focus: Oxygen, Emergency Medical Supplies, Basic Services to Vulnerable Communities
HQ: Houston, TX
2019 Operating Budget: \$30 million

Overview: Dasra is a philanthropic and non-profit advisory network that is catalyzing India’s strategic philanthropy movement to transform a billion lives with dignity and equity. Dasra works tirelessly to build partnerships with hundreds of non-profits in India and philanthropists from around the world, to ensure India achieves the UN Sustainable Development Goals by 2030.

India COVID-19 Response: In response to COVID-19, Dasra curated a toolkit to help non-profits and funders understand institutional resilience and impact optimization. Accordingly, they’ve developed strong relationships with local partners and can advise which local partners are doing impact COVID-19 relief work. The below is a short list of local, India-based giving options that are importing oxygen concentrators for hospitals, testing communities for comorbidities, providing support to migrant communities, and delivering food and additional aid:

- **Aajeevika Bureau (Rajasthan, Gujarat, Maharashtra)**
 - **Overview:** Founded in 2004, Aajeevika Bureau’s mission is to achieve an equitable and dignified world of work for laboring communities, focused on the seasonal, circular migrant workforce.
 - **COVID-19 Response:** Aajeevika Bureau is providing migrant workers COVID-19 emergency support, food and nutrition, and greater rights from employers.
- **Goonj (Delhi)**
 - **Overview:** Founded in 1999, Goonj provides disaster relief, humanitarian aid, and community development. Goonj aims to build an equitable relationship

between cities and villages by leveraging underutilized urban resources for villages and tribes.

- **COVID-19 Response:** Goonj is providing healthcare support ranging from medicines, health kits for COVID care, PPE and testing kits as well as hunger relief programs within communities across India. Goonj is working with elderly homes, childcare centers, and other vulnerable groups who need an immediately supply of food and medical equipment.
- **Mahila Housing Trust (National)**
 - **Overview:** Founded in 1994, Mahila Housing Trust (MHT) works across 34 cities across 8 states to help disenfranchised communities build social capital, to facilitate last-mile delivery of services, and to advocate for policy changes related to water, housing, energy, finance, and employees rights.
 - **COVID-19 Response:** MHT is activating women community-action-group members to provide food and access to essentials to slum communities
- **SaveLIFE Foundation (Delhi)**
 - **Overview:** Founded in 2008, SaveLIFE focuses on improving road safety and providing emergency medical care across India. SaveLIFE works closely with the city of Delhi on evidence-based policy and prevention efforts.
 - **COVID-19 Response:** SaveLIFE is purchasing and distributing oxygen concentrators to Delhi hospitals. In addition to arranging meals and PPE kits for frontline workers, SaveLIFE also developed estimation and effectiveness tools, a COVID-19 Disease registry, and a protocol to identify high-risk citizens for the city of Delhi to use.
- **Swasth Foundation (Mumbai)**
 - **Overview:** Founded in 2009, Swasth Foundation improves access to healthcare and operates its own primary-preventative healthcare clinics in slum areas.
 - **COVID-19 Response:** In the Mumbai slums, Swasth is operating a 150+ patient COVID-19 care center, providing supplies to healthcare workers, and providing homecare to mild cases to prevent the overburden of hospitals.
- **SWASTI (Bangalore)**
 - **Overview:** Founded in 2004, SWASTI designs, delivers, and supports solutions for the health and wellbeing of the poor in India. SWASTI's focus on increasing access to quality healthcare for marginalized communities led to its selection as the Gates Foundation's Avahan India Initiative lead partner.
 - **COVID-19 Response:** SWASTI created a network of 300+ organizations and 2,000 volunteers to launch the COVIDActionCollab (CAC), which is testing communities for comorbidities and providing telecare for patients and COVID-19 care centers.

To donate to Dasra, please visit [this link](#). If you are making grants to Dasra via Morgan Stanley GIFT, please indicate “India COVID-19 Relief”. To donate to any of these India-based organizations, please visit the links provided above.

4. **GiveIndia** (US Affiliate: Give Foundation)

Focus: Oxygen, Emergency Medical Services, Basic Services to Vulnerable Communities
HQ: Palo Alto, CA (USA);
2019 Operating Budget: \$320,000 (US Affiliate)

Overview: GiveIndia was established in 2000 as a crowdfunding platform to support screened and selection non-profit projects in India focused on care for the disabled and elderly, child and youth welfare, education, environment, health and sanitation, human rights and empowerment, economic livelihoods, family services, and giving infrastructure. GiveIndia selects its non-profit projects based on responsiveness, transparency, accountability, capacity to use funds, and governance. To date, GiveIndia’s community of 1.5+ million donors and 150+ corporate partners have supported more than 2,000 non-profits – impacting more than 10 million lives.

India COVID-19 Response: GiveIndia recently relaunched its India Response Fund to mobilize funds to alleviate the escalating health crisis for humanitarian aid, such as providing direct cash relief for low-income families of the deceased, setting up oxygen generation plants, donating food to families struggling with hungry, providing reusable pads to women without access.

To donate, please visit [this link](#). If you are making grants to GiveIndia or GIVE Foundation (EIN: 02-0570370) via Morgan Stanley GIFT, please indicate “India COVID-19 Relief”.

5. **PATH**

Focus: Oxygen, Testing, Treatment
HQ: Seattle, WA
2019 Operating Budget: \$292 million

Overview: PATH’s mission is to advance health equity through innovation and partnerships. PATH works in more than 70 countries to transform bold ideas into sustainable solutions that improve health and well-being for all. PATH’s leading global capabilities are in primary health care, malaria, vaccines, and data and digital excellence.

India COVID-19 Response: PATH’s 200-person India team is procuring oxygen-generation equipment, accelerating COVID-19 testing and surveillance, and scaling up COVID-19 vaccination.

PATH is working with the Gates Foundation and the government of India to install 10 oxygen generation plants in government medical facilities. Before the pandemic, nine out of ten hospitals in low- and middle-income countries lacked access to oxygen therapy and only 20% of patients who needed oxygen received it. The new oxygen generations plants will address the urgent need for oxygen due to the COVID-19 surge *and* support the management of other health conditions long-term (e.g. pneumonia, women in labor, individuals undergoing surgery).

To donate, please visit [this link](#). If you are making grants to PATH via Morgan Stanley GIFT, please indicate “India COVID-19 Relief”.

6. **UNICEF**

Focus: Emergency Medical Services, Vaccinations

HQ: New York, NY

2019 Operating Budget (UNICEF USA): \$521 million

Overview: The United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) works in more than 190 countries and territories to put children first. UNICEF has helped save more children's lives than any other humanitarian organization, by providing health care and immunizations, safe water and sanitation, nutrition, education, emergency relief and more.

India COVID-19 Response: WHO, UNICEF and other organizations are rushing staff and supplies to India to help fight the crushing tide of new cases. UNICEF is delivering critical oxygen concentrators and diagnostic testing systems, hygiene supplies and PPE kits to protect health care workers. UNICEF is working with the Gates Foundation and India's Ministry of Health to provide accurate, timely, and informed messaging to the general public and training local health workers to improve vaccine rollout.

Since the pandemic began, UNICEF has been working with partners in India to stop the spread of COVID-19, sharing information with more than 660 million people on how to stay safe from the novel coronavirus and reaching more than 3.6 million with critical water, sanitation and hygiene (WASH) supplies and services. Elbow-operated taps have been installed in schools so children can wash their hands safely with soap and water, then go home and teach their families about the importance of frequent handwashing.

To donate, please visit [this link](#). If you are making grants to UNICEF via Morgan Stanley GIFT, please indicate “India COVID-19 Relief”.

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