**DIVINE LIGHT TRUST FOR THE BLIND**

Detailed Project proposal for multiple disabled children

The Divine Light Trust for the Blind is the FIRST voluntary organization in the state of Karnataka established in 1958. From its inception we are providing residential Education & Training for children with Blindness and Multiple disabilities (Blind with Mental Retardation / Hearing Loss with mental retardation etc…)

This year we have 50 children with Multiple disabilities. The background of these children are invariably socially, economically backward and many of them are orphans. In order to eke out their daily bread, these children are neglected by their parents. As a result these children do not get proper care, attention and Training.

Hence the Divine Light Trust is providing Nutritious Food and Accommodation for them to stay and appropriate Education, & Training according to their age and disability at ‘free of cost’.

The Training programme for Children with disabilities is as follows:-

1. **Preparatory services for Children with Visual Impairment**

**(Blind and Low – Vision)**

Under the programme we provide Education and Training Like :-

* Skills of Self – care
* Orientation & Mobility
* Braille : Reading & Writing
* Maths : Through Taylor Frame & Abacus
* Core-subjects (Appropriate to their age) which are essential to cope with their non-disabled peers.

1. **Preparatory services for Children with Speech and Hearing Impairment : - Under this programme we provide:**

* Communication and Conversion skills
* Sign Language
* Pre-academics to cope with their non-disabled peers

1. **Services for Children with Multiple disABILITIES**

**Providing Care and Training of children with parents:**

Under this programme we provide services to the following categories:-

* Visual Impairments with Mental Challenges
* Visual Impairments with Speech and Hearing Impairments
* Speech & Hearing Impairments with Mental challenges
* Mental challenges and associated conditions.

Training of Children include:-

* Pre Self – care (Toilet training : Washing, Bathing, Dressing, Grooming)
* Functional skills and Education skills
* Fine motor and Visual motor skills
* Horticulture Training
* Craft and Tailoring for Mentally Retarded with Hearing loss grown-up children
* Drawing & Coloring
* Environmental Studies
* Parent Training programme for families of children with multiple disabilities
* Computer training programme for the Visually Impaired, Speech & Hearing Impaired.
* Programmes for Prevention of disability and Health care.

D.L.T.B. has basic infrastructure like class-rooms, equipped with necessary teaching and learning materials and a nice playground for children to play and for mobility training.

We are happy to state that, our institution has qualified, committed and trained personnel in the field of disability.

The Board members of the Trust are come from various walks of life with vast experience in management and administration of the institution.

The Divine Light Trust for the Blind has registered under Foreign contribution regulation act of 1976. Vide its registration No.094420102 as well as with Income Tax department.

Even though we have necessary infrastructure and trained personnel we are not able to intensify our programmes for children with disabilities due to lack of financial support.

Therefore we shall be grateful if you could kindly extend your valuable support by way of donation for the benefit of Multi disabled children.

**“Let the Divine Light shine on the differently ABLED children !**

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**Let us be proud of helping these under privileged children ”**

I hope we will appreciate our concern for children with disabilities and join hands in our journey in providing services for children with disabilities.

With kind regards,

Sincerely,

K.S.RAVEENDRA

SECRETARY