**Snehalaya’s Rescue Project**

Snehalaya 'Home of Love' enables girls to become agents for social change, breaking the crippling cycles of poverty in India for themselves. We provide emergency rescue and rehabilitative care for women and children who have become the victims of traffickers and other opportunists. Our services provide safety, shelter, education, medical and legal aid, outreach support, peer mentoring and path finding reintegration. Our outreach projects have successfully helped 73 female sex workers to leave the sex trade and we have ensured a full secondary education for over 900 children of sex workers and rescued girls. We currently have over 300 children and women in our care continuing their education alongside vocational, livelihood and IT training and a further 50 in further education.

This funding will allow us to ensure positive and sustainable change for 615 of the most at risk people. Based in rural India we work in partnership with our own Childline to provide emergency rescue operations and aftercare for at-risk women and girls sold into sex work and fleeing violence and child marriage. By offering safe exit points, shelter and re-integration with full aftercare are enabling women and girls to take back their futures and to ensure sustained social change.

Our work over the past three decades has ensured there are no underage sex workers in our district. To maintain this record, continued monitoring of the red-light areas needs to take place to identify any new underage sex workers conduct rescue missions and give survivors the means to seek justice as part of their reintegration back into mainstream society. Working with and building the trust of existing sex workers we have been able to reduce second generation prostitution by 70%. We aim to break this vicious cycle completely by continuing to offer a safe home and education to their children away from the red-light areas.

**Budget**

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| **Activity** | **Target number** | **Cost per person** | **Total cost** |
| Rescue, rehabilitate and counsel female sex workers to exit the sex trade | 60 | US$380 | US$22,800 |
| Cover the legal costs involved to file for legal papers of a trafficked minor and to file for prosecution to bring about justice | 15 | US$380 | US$5,700 |
| Provide rescue, refuge, legal support and counselling to women & girls experiencing violence and exploitation | 300 | US$240 | US$72,000 |
| Find and repatriate missing girls | 45 | US$50 | US$2,250 |
| Rescue girls from child marriages | 90 | US$50 | US$4,500 |
| Provide shelter and education to children of sex workers for one year | 105 | US$840 | US$88,200 |
| **Total cost** | **US$195,450** | | |

**Our reach in 2015/16**

Our Childline team has responded to 6,000 calls and handled 521 cases including:

* Giving shelter to 50 girls
* Handling 56 cases of abused girls
* Locating 15 missing girls
* Rescuing 30 girls from child marriages
* Removing 5 girl beggars from the streets

We have admitted 36 children of sex workers into our shelter home

Our women’s shelter has provided refuge, legal support and counselling to 281 women including:

* 6 female sex workers
* 67 victims of domestic violence
* 1 rape victim

Our helpline has also responded to 10,630 calls giving support and advice including 134 domestic violence and 2 rape cases.