



Annual Report 2019-2020

Mangalagiri site Andhra Pradesh, India



Chalice has partnered with the Good Shepherd Sisters (Nagpur) since 1998, with Mangalagiri becoming its own sponsor site in 2014. The site serves families in 7 rural, remote, and urban locations. There is a high rate of out-migration, leading to high drop-out rates. Women and girls face marginalization and high rates of stigmatized disease. In addition to sponsorship, the Sisters provide work to improve the socio-economic status of families and communities, and offer skills development programs such as tailoring, gardening, handicrafts, and English as a Spoken Language.

Child



- The Mangalagiri site supports 1112 sponsored children.
- As of June 2020:
- 26% of children were in elementary school;
- 67% in high school;
- 7% in post-secondary or vocational education.
- Following public health guidelines during the pandemic, 5 locations held their annual medical clinics. Site staff report that children's health is improving as an overall trend. This is because parents have a greater understanding of nutrition, cooking meals instead of buying nutrient-poor snacks. Many families have also created their own vegetable gardens.
- Prior to the COVID-19 shutdown, site staff created a program for 470 teens, creating a space to discuss topics such as female hygiene, puberty, and challenging emotions.

Family

- Mangalagiri site works with 993 families organized into 67 family circles.
- Site staff report that the group members are growing in cohesion and supporting each other to reach their families' goals.
- Many families used their sponsorship funds for nutrition during the lockdown.
- At Christmastime, the family circles organized charitable works to support single women and the elderly in their communities.



Community

- 38 children (including non-sponsored children) live in a boarding residence run by the Sisters. Through the Chalice gift catalogue, they built a new multi-purpose room that will serve as a study hall, meeting space for parents, and a laundry facility.
- During the lockdown, with contributions from the Sisters' convents and other non-governmental organizations, the Sisters distributed food, toiletries, medicine and sanitizer to 6000 sponsored and non-sponsored families.

