

# Child & Family Welfare Foundation

A Project for the Disabled & Polio Affected



*Underlying everything CFWF does is with the aim to greatly improve the....*

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# **The Need**

According to WHO reports and statistics, more than 60% of the World's Polio cases are in India. While working jointly at a citywide Polio camp in the late 1990-ties, we saw firsthand the plight and misery of the Disabled, which had deeply touched our hearts and moved us to action.

Due to immunisation campaigns and improved living conditions new Polio infections dropped drastically, while other disabilities, caused by Cerebral Palsy, birth defects, etc. brought an ever increasing number of Disabled to our doorsteps.

When starting Slum-surveys, we could easily identify with the affected. The lack of readily available assistance linked with economic hardships leave poor families helpless and in despair, often causing disability and deformities in children and young adults to increase by not being attended to.

Most of the patients we met had not received any medical attention previously. An urgent need, leading to the birth of the initiative: not just to survive in their pitiful conditions, but create with a medical project equal opportunities for the Underprivileged, thus providing them with realistic chances to succeed and be able to lead lives with self esteem and dignity.



*....psychological and physical development  
of the disabled and lessen the burden ...*

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## **Our Response ♦ What We Do**

CFWF initiated a medical project that offers free of cost or at a minimal fee 'correctional surgery, medical treatment, therapy and orthopaedic aids' to poor disabled children and young adults, suffering from deformities due to various causes.

CFWF is associated with Dr. Paresh Desai and Shraddha Orth. hospital in Mumbai, where all surgeries and treatments take place. Trained volunteers and social workers of CFWF work hand in hand with the hospital and Dr Desai, who carries out surgeries with the utmost care and expertise.

Patients need to first register for the project with CFWF and undergo a medical examination. Our volunteers carefully co-ordinate and monitor each patient's treatment and their post-operative care is given due attention. Calipers and walking aids are provided by OAALMAC in Mumbai, Physiotherapy is arranged when needed and the patient's post-treatment prospects are looked into.

CFWF puts emphasis on getting to know patients, their families and circumstances thoroughly, which enables us to serve them better and create the right basis for a successful treatment. Good interactions are decisive for a patient's future, achieving greater mobility and bringing a boost to their self-esteem.



*....on their families and the community at large by means of each individual....*

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# ***How To Get Involved***

## **Contribution & Participation Options:**

- Donate to the 'Free Medical Treatment' Project
- Sponsor treatment of an individual child /patient
- Donate goods / Participate as a volunteer
- Donate towards the purchase of a vehicle
- Support the construction of a CFWF centre
- Support CFWF's training programs & seminars

Please issue cheques / DD's in favour of: *Child & Family Welfare Foundation*.  
All donations to CFWF are tax-exempt under section 80G of Income Tax Act.

**Aim and plan of CFWF: To build its own centre near Mumbai for the Project with the Disabled**





*....achieving more mobility, self reliance  
and independence.*

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# **About Us**

CHILD & FAMILY WELFARE FOUNDATION was founded through a united effort by charity-minded individuals, who have devoted themselves to providing free aid and medical treatment to underprivileged, disabled children and young adults, suffering from disabilities due to various causes, such as Polio, Cerebral Palsy, genetic disorders, birth defects, etc.

CFWF provides its humanitarian services to all members of the Indian community, regardless of their social, religious or economic standing. Our common goal is to improve the quality of life of all members of society, especially those who are poor, suffering or otherwise disadvantaged.

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