



# The Toronto-Calcutta Foundation

## CELEBRATING 30 YEARS OF GIVING 13<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL GALA DINNER

Saturday, November 17<sup>th</sup>, 2018 - 6pm  
Venue: Hilton Hotel, 3201 Highway 7, Vaughan

The Toronto-Calcutta Foundation (TCF) is a non-profit organization dedicated to the well-being of the disadvantaged. TCF funds, supports and manages projects that address local needs related to health, education and employment skills.

### ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

1. **Eye camps:** 33 Free Eye camps organized in 2017-2018, 4000 Eyeglasses and free eye medication distributed by 3 optometrists. TCF has served over **25,000 patients** since its inception.
2. **Medical field clinics:** Five medical doctors and field staff visit 6 villages weekly and examine 800 to 1000 patients. TCF has served over **200,000 patients**. TCF also runs a regular health clinic staffed by 5 doctors on a rotational basis along with 2 nursing aides at the **Dr. R.N. Bhaduri Memorial Health Centre in Naktala**.
3. **Pre-primary school:** 82-100 students get pre-school education and free breakfasts each year which allow parents (and more importantly women) to go to work. Program also includes monthly health check-ups for students along with school uniforms, books and supplies. Over **5000 students** assisted.
4. **After-school coaching classes for high school students:** Our Uddipan program conducts after school coaching classes for 80 students (40 girls & 40 boys) through grades 9, 10, 11 and 12 from financially challenged families allowing them to enroll in higher education college programs.
5. **Vocational Sewing Training Centre for under-privileged women:** TCF runs and supports two vocational training schools and has trained over **300 women** who now pursue careers in sewing/craftworks.
6. **Nurse Assistant Program:** TCF has funded a laboratory and provided funding to Ramakrishna Sarada Mission to run one-year long programs to train 30 young women in nursing.

Over the years TCF has provided school infrastructure upgrades including classroom extensions, washroom additions, libraries and access to clean drinking water. TCF has also facilitated in purchasing medical equipment for the Varanasi RKM Hospital (**dialysis units, dental chairs, gastro-intestinal video/scopes**) and helping modernizing facilities at the Spastic Society of Kolkata.

### ONGOING PROJECTS IN TORONTO:

1. **Women's Habitat Shelter:** TCF contributes to social & leadership skill training programs for 15/20 students who need help to make a new life for themselves.
2. **Toronto Heart Health Fair:** TCF sponsors this fair where health professionals educate local citizens on how to maintain healthy hearts through proper diet, exercise, weight control and other preventive methods.