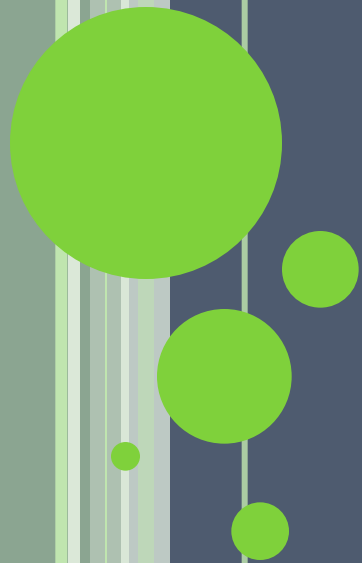


The Jackfruit Project



THE JACKFRUIT PROJECT

- was founded to support Snehi Bhavan, a home for abandoned or abused tribal and dalit girls
- provides basic needs, facility improvements, educational enrichment, and vocational mentoring



SNEHI BHAVAN



....houses 13 to 16 girls in a small building.

....was established and is directed by Sajini Mathews with the help of her husband, Mathews.

....until 2007, was supported only by Mathews' wages as a day laborer.

....was in a state of crisis before the founding of the project.



So far The Jackfruit Project has raised money for ...



Basic Needs ...

- a healthier diet
- clothing
- bed rolls
- kitchenware.



Renovations...

- a new kitchen
- new toilets and washroom
- a water harvesting system



More Renovations ...

- a large common room used for eating, sleeping and studying.



Before



After



Education and Mentoring ...



- Pay school fees
- Mentors and tutors have assisted the girls in working toward their personal, educational and/or professional goals.



Enrichment ...

- classes and field trips for raising cultural awareness and self esteem.



Tools for learning ...

- a computer
- a scanner
- a sewing machine.



JACKFRUIT PROJECT GOALS

- Short term:
 - Continue to provide basic support for the home until it can become self-sustaining.
 - Increase funding for education and health care.
- Long term:
 - Enable the home to become self-sustaining by financing the purchase of rubber tree acreage.



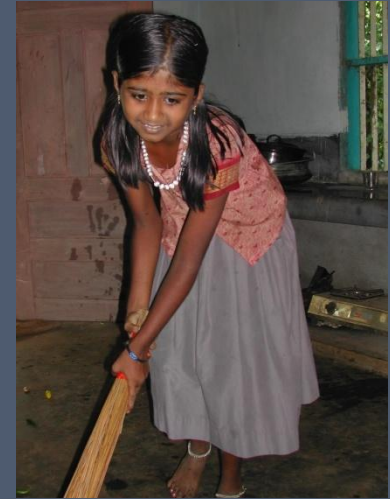
PAULA'S VISIT TO SNEHI BHAVAN



BOB BRIERE'S VISIT TO SNEHI BHAVAN



Snehi Bhavan Faces



Sreehi Bhavan Location

