



March 2013: Lakshmi and Jayanthi Chakrapani leave school at the age of 9.



April 2013- August 2013: Their mother, Sangeetha Chakrapani starts working towards establishing a not for profit organisation that will provide learning and working opportunities, to people with autism.



7th September 2014: Kiran Khalap, Managing Director, chlorophyll brand consultancy pvt ltd creates the brand name for Sangeetha's mission; Together.

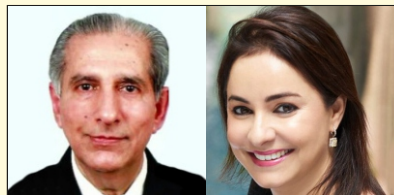
**10 YEARS COMPLETED**



6th October 2014: The first cookies are baked and sold under the brand name 'Together'.



4th July 2013 - 2014: Puratos Group offers its bakery to Together, for training autistic individuals.



30th December 2015, Together Foundation is registered as a public charitable trust. Professor Emeritus Dr.Y.K.Amdekar, Dr.Anjali Tendulkar join the Board of Trustees.



16th June 2016: V.Chakrapani gives Together its new premises, free of cost and begins mentoring the organisation.



2016 - 2025: Establishment of a full fledged sheltered workshop with FSSAI certified bakery, registered shop, paper plate manufacturing, paper bag and cloth bag manufacturing, data entry for financial institutions, Talktime, functional computer program and counselling center.



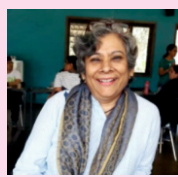
10 years old and ready to serve more

2025 - Establishment of Together's residential project: The Together Community at Hosur, Tamil Nadu, for people with autism, their friends and families.

## Board of Trustees:



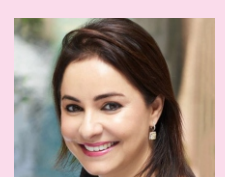
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## Together Foundation Annual Report 2024-25



Together Foundation thanks Kiran Khalap, brand consultant and founder, chlorophyll brand & communications consultancy private limited, for his involvement with the work we do.



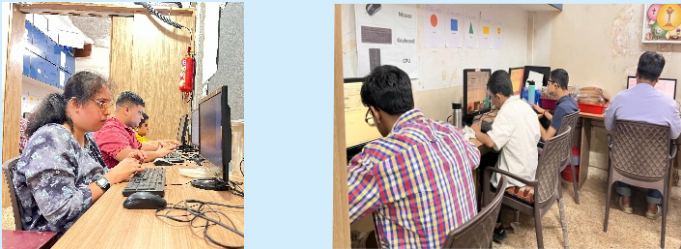
# Equipping individuals with autism for self reliance



**Bakery:** from ingredients to inspiration, this year we focused on healthy recipes like jaggery cookies, sugar free laddoo etc.



**Fresh food:** fresh food cooking empowered our adults to cook their way to a nourishing independence in day to day living. Our adults learnt to make idli, dosa, tomato chutney, chutney sandwiches, dal and sabji this year.



**Data Entry:** our adults engage in data entry for financial institutes. Every adult completes an achievable target of entries every day and earns a stipend every month.



**Bag Manufacturing:** we manufacture different varieties of bags. This includes medical brown paper bags, cloth bags with block printing, embroidery patches and lace designs. We also manufacture a variety of pouches and potlis.



**Paper plates:** our adults are also trained in making paper plates. We produce approximately 6000 paper plates every month.



**Job work:** threading success: precision and pride in every tag. Our adults also learnt to tie tags for brand cards.



**Gpay:** banking on Independence: GPay skills are taught to cope with a digital world.



**Whatsapp:** this program breaks down communication barriers, enabling individuals with autism to connect with family and friends with confidence.



**Paint Program:** through our Paint program, autistic individuals discover the joy of digital art, developing leisure skills and expressing their creativity by recreating simple drawings.



**Functional Computer:** essential functional computer skills were taught, enabling our adults to confidently use basic applications for increased independence and participation in daily life.



# Talktime: Connecting Lives through Communication

'Talktime' is a flagship program at Together Foundation designed to empower adults with autism and other communication concerns to have a deeper understanding of their world and enhance their communication skills. Launched in 2015, Talktime is a documented program and helps explore everyday experiences. Talktime also aids in sensitising our adults with special needs in topics like safety, personal hygiene and planning for major changes in their lives.

## Using Talktime, we step into stories from every walk of life

### Safety



### Self awareness



### General Wellbeing



### Celebrations!



## The Together Community

The Together Community is a residential project at Hosur, Tamil Nadu and going live in December 2025. The project is governed by parents, managed by professionals and is an initiative by Together Foundation with the support of Vedaanta Senior Living, a senior living services company with projects across South India. The Together Community will accommodate 39 families of adults with autism and special needs with full fledged community services.

## Staff

Business Development Head - 1, Vocational Training Supervisor - 1, Special Educator - 2, Counsellor -1, Consultant Chef -1, Bakery Operations Assistant -1, Data entry operators - 2, Support Staff - 1

## Team Members

Total 32 (Adults at center 29 and Online 3)

## Our Parents

We work closely with all our parents, sharing documented training programs for them to incorporate in their daily lives with their children. We also provide counselling services on a regular basis.

## Our Donors

The benevolence and unwavering support of our generous donors fuels our progress, and enables us to achieve our goals.

## Corporate Donors

Tata Investment Corporation Ltd. funds our teaching programs across areas of vocational training, helping us to empower our team of special adults.

ICICI Foundation supports specifically in the areas of bakery, computers and Talktime: the flagship communication program at Together Foundation.

We are grateful to Rajni and Ramesh Tendulkar Trust for consistently supporting Together Foundation, since the year of inception.

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## Infrastructure

V. Chakrapani has provided the working premises of Together Foundation to the organisation, free of cost since 2015, the year of inception.

## Individual Donors

Mr. Sachin Tendulkar, Mr. Venkatesh N Chakravarty, Ms. Mona Thakkar, Mr. Mukundraj Satyaranjan Keny, Ms. Saurin Gandhi, Mr. G. Gopala Krishnamacharyulu, Mr. Rahul Lodha, Mr. Baskaran Chandramouli, Mr. Ronak Bharat Kapadia, Mr. Madhukar Varnan Dharwadkar, Ms. Mansi Desai, Mr. S. Lakshminarayanan, Ms. Sunita Bedi, Ms. Usha Balkrishnan, Ms. Dimple Sharad Shah, Ms. Kirti Sudhakar Dharwadkar, Mr. Jagjit Singh Amarjit Singh, Mr. Mahrukh Neville Bhar, Ms. T.V. Shobhana, Ms. Jayanthi, Ms. Bhawana Rajnan, Mr. Bardan Sharma, Mr. Munesh Ahuja

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