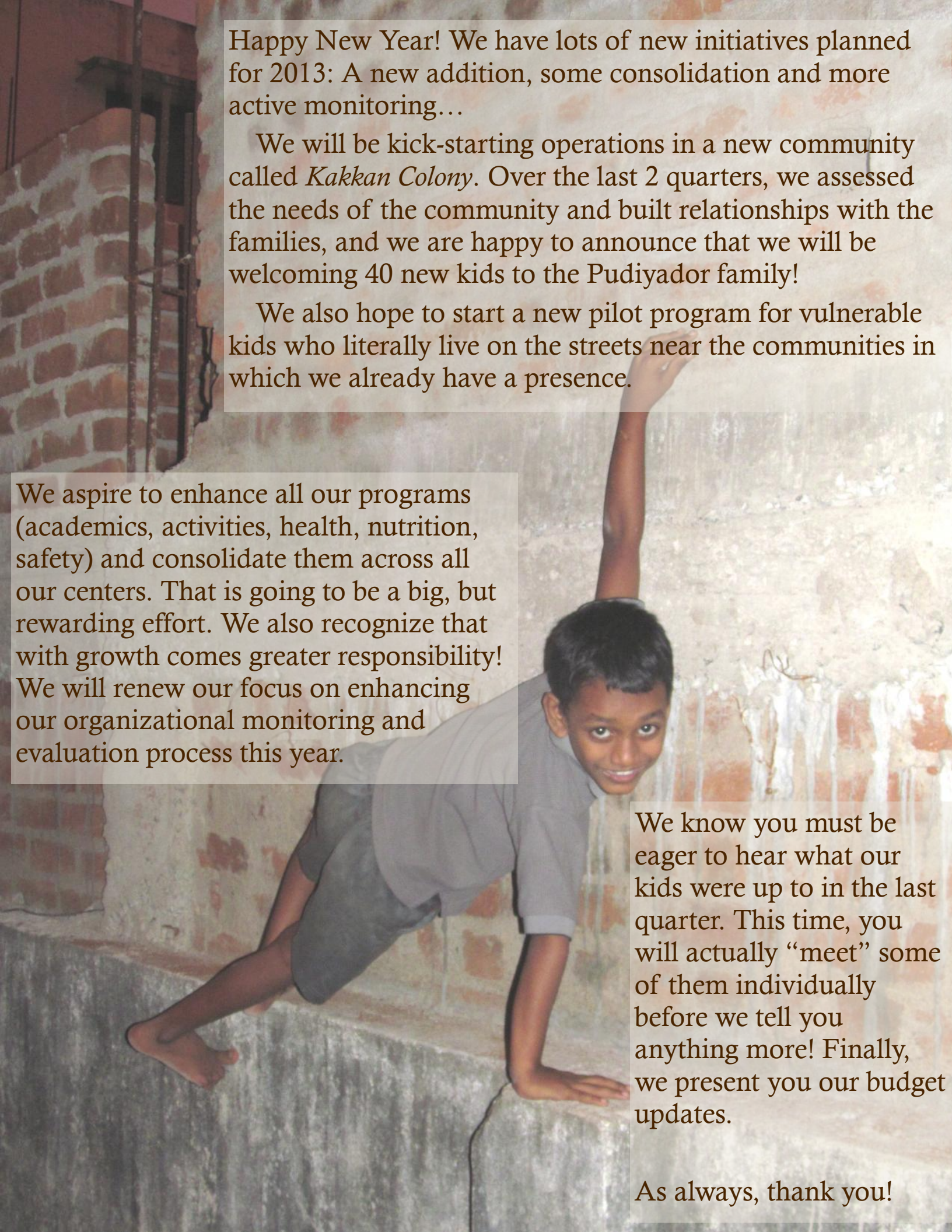


# Pudiyador Times

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Happy New Year! We have lots of new initiatives planned for 2013: A new addition, some consolidation and more active monitoring...

We will be kick-starting operations in a new community called *Kakkan Colony*. Over the last 2 quarters, we assessed the needs of the community and built relationships with the families, and we are happy to announce that we will be welcoming 40 new kids to the Pudiyaador family!

We also hope to start a new pilot program for vulnerable kids who literally live on the streets near the communities in which we already have a presence.

We aspire to enhance all our programs (academics, activities, health, nutrition, safety) and consolidate them across all our centers. That is going to be a big, but rewarding effort. We also recognize that with growth comes greater responsibility! We will renew our focus on enhancing our organizational monitoring and evaluation process this year.

We know you must be eager to hear what our kids were up to in the last quarter. This time, you will actually “meet” some of them individually before we tell you anything more! Finally, we present you our budget updates.

As always, thank you!



# Meet our kids!

We would love for all of you to visit our centers in Chennai, but here we present the next best thing: **meet our kids virtually!** In the following pages, you will meet a handful of children (7 to 12 year olds) from each of our four centers. We asked our children to share a few of their favorite things with you. We focused on their lives outside of Pudiyador so that you can get to know them in their native environment.

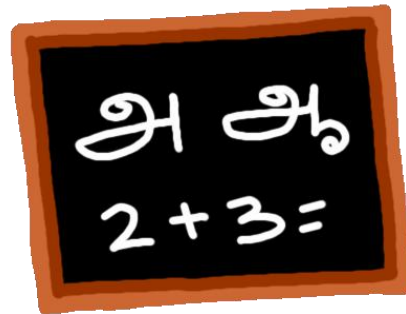
Follow the key on this page and flip through the next few pages. Get ready to laugh about, learn from, and ponder over the thoughts and preferences of our children!



Whom I live with,  
what they do



My most favorite  
thing to eat



What I love most  
about school



What I like to do  
in my spare time



What I would do if I got  
fifty rupees to spend



# Jayashree, 12



Mother, father, and sister

Father is a construction worker

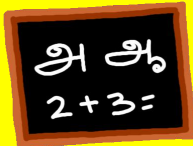
Mother works as a tailor in an export company



Mango sauce (maangai pachadi) and potato fry



I like making greeting cards and other crafts like rangoli book, cup-n-stone game.



I like play time



I will trade it for a 'chit' and save the money.





## Deepika, 12



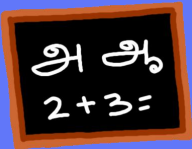
Mother, father, brother, two sisters

Father is a carpenter

Mother works as a maid servant



I like making crafts



I like play time and library session



Spicy curry  
(kaara kari)



I will give it to my parents if they don't have money that day. Or I will buy notebooks for school. The school gives notebooks only for the first term. From second term onwards, we need to buy them ourselves.





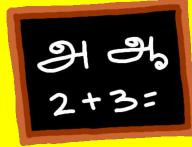
Shilpa, 9



Mother, father, brother

Father is a construction worker

Mother is a house maid



I like 'activities' time, when we can do whatever we want.



Dosai and tamarind rice (puli saadam)



I play 'pallangulli'



I will spend it to buy things for my school project or give it to mom.



# Sureshkumar, 9



Mother, father, brother

Father is a construction worker

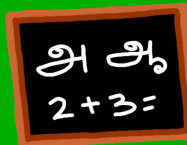
Mother works as a maid servant



I like all non-veg dishes!



I like to ride my cycle and play 'run-and-catch' with my friends



I like lunch time and play time.



I will buy something to eat for Rs 20. And with Rs 30, buy a small bag.



Dinesh, 11



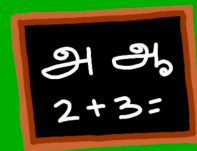
Mother, father, brother

Father is a construction worker

Mother is a housemaid



My dad cooks better than my mom. I like his tomato curry (*thakkali kolambu*).



I like play time.



I will buy a cricket bat.  
(His friend, Suresh says 'you cant' buy a bat with 50 rupess!)  
Dinesh: I will buy a small bat in that case.



I watch Discovery Channel -  
- Man vs Wild; Crocodile  
Hunters and Austin  
Stevens' Adventures.





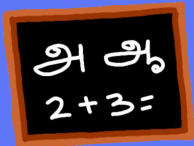
Pavithra, 10



Mother, Father, older sister

Mother is a house maid

Father is a mason



Reading Time (library)



Doing work and help mother



Sambar Rice  
(sambar sadam)



Buy stationary items



Ajit, 8



Mother, father, older brother

Mother is a house maid

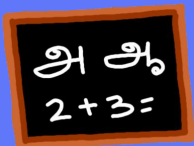
Father is a mason (construction worker)



Curd Rice  
(thayir saadam)



Play game called  
'Seven Stone Game'.



Tamil Class Time.



Never heard or seen Rs. 50/-, if get that money, will give it to elder brother Balaji to decide how to spend it.





# Sundareswaran, 9



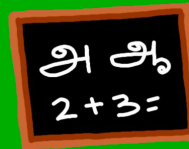
Mother, father, younger brother,  
older sister

Father is an auto driver

Mother is a house maid



Paratha



Play time, Running, Catch Game



Prepare masks with paper.



Buy stickers with images of  
plants, animals and birds.



Logesh, 10



Father, mother, older sister

Mother is a house maid

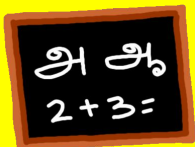
Father is a mason



Watching TV, Playing



Tomato Rice  
(thakkali saadam)



P.T (games period)



Spend Rs.25 on project work and another Rs. 25 will give to the mother.





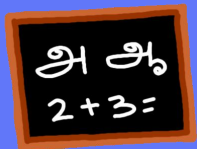
Naresh, 10



Mother, father, younger brother

Mother is a housemaid

Father does centering at a machine shop



Class Room



Watching TV, and playing



Chappathi



Buy biscuits and get pictures, stickers for project work.

# Manikandan, 8



Mother, father and sister

Father is a watchman

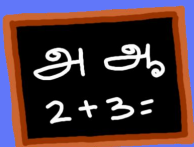
Mother is a housemaid



Mutton Curry



Watching TV



Science period



Buy chips only





# Snega, 9



Mother, Father and Sister

Father is a driver

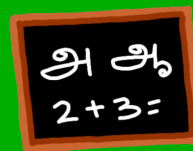
Mother housemaid



Dosa, Samosa and Maggi



Shooting games on computer



English Period



Lays and chocolates



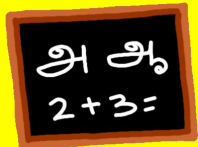
Jothika, 8



Mother, father and sister

Father is a dhobi (washerman)

Mother (housemaid)



Tamil period



Mutton Curry



Outdoor Games







Gokul, 10



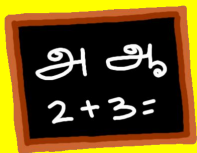
Father, Mother and brother

Father is a construction labourer

Mother is a house maid



Outdoor Games



Tamil Period



Fish Curry  
(meen kari)



Buy chocolates

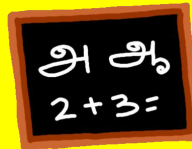
# Soniya, 10



Mother, Father and brother (my brother lives in Andhra Pradesh)

Father is a construction labourer

Mother is a housemaid



Tamil and Science Period



Fish Curry  
(meen kari)



Help Mother in household work







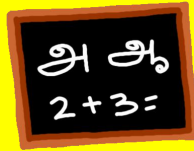
# Saranya and Sangeetha, 8



Mother, father and twin sisters

Father is a sweeper

Mother is a housemaid



We both enjoy  
all classes!



Teacher Game



Making dolls out of clay



Crab Curry

Plain curd  
(verum thayir)



Buy myself  
nice earrings



I will put that money  
in temple safe.



# Priyadarshini, 7



Mother, Father and Brother

Father is an auto driver

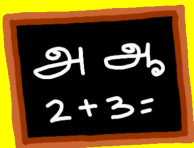
Mother is a teacher at a government school



Curd Rice  
(thayir saadam)



Play computer game at  
friend's place



English Class



Will save it to buy a cycle





# Pavithra, 7



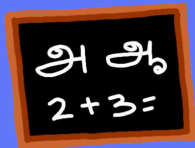
Mother, father and sister

Father is an auto driver

Mother is a housemaid



Outdoor games



Tamil Period



Spinach rice  
(keerai saadam)



Will put it in piggy bank

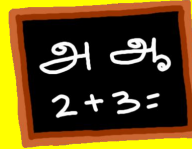
Deepika, 10



Mother, Father and brother

Father is a fisherman

Mother is a house wife



English Class



Dosai



Play Kabaddi



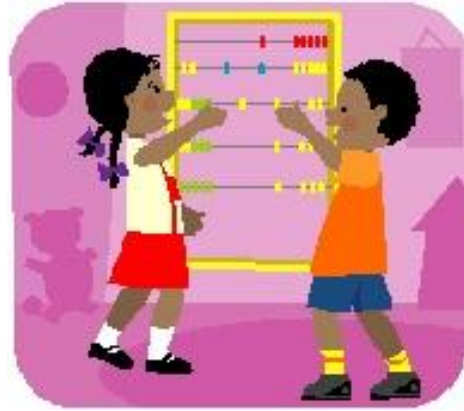
Will buy a string of beads for my neck.



# Quarter Updates (Oct - Dec 2012)



Saalai Selvam conducted a Library Workshop (September to October)



Ramanujam Math Sessions: Practical mathematics, how to teach math, curriculum, syllabus, demo training(October onwards)

Pudiyador Orur Kuppam Backyard Space Planning and Execution– Cleaned backyard, parents helped the children break up cement blocks; Children are currently planting a garden (Beginning of November)



General Health Checkups: (October and December)



Roof collapsed during the Nilam Storm– it is now fixed (October and November)



Magic Bus Sports Curriculum and Sessions (Ongoing)



ITM Volunteers– English Assessments and training in all 4 Centers; Surveyed Kakkan Colony (End of November)



Value-based education by Dr. Madeshwaran from Shakti foundation: body, mind, intellect, awareness, consciousness (One element per month, beginning in October)

# Quarter Updates!



## Field Trips Galore in October:

- Golu invitation from a friend (Sangeetha)- Pudiador Vannandurai and Orur Kuppam
  - Fish market – Pudiador Saligramam
  - Bank- Pudiador Ramapuram
  - Post office visit – Pudiador Vannandurai and Orur Kuppam
- \* Post master conducted a class on savings
  - \* Building towards Rs. 50 from each child
  - \* Plan on opening savings account for them



Constant power outages are an issue– we manage with street lights on the beach or with emergency lights while we can; We are sometimes forced to send children home early



Clowns Without Borders Workshops (November)



Met with Dilip Kumar– a tamil short story writer of Gujarati origin: Read his story, had a book meeting with him; Subscribed to Chutti Vikatan- a children's magazine

Teachers' team building meeting: Enthusiastic staff attendance; Theater workshop for teachers

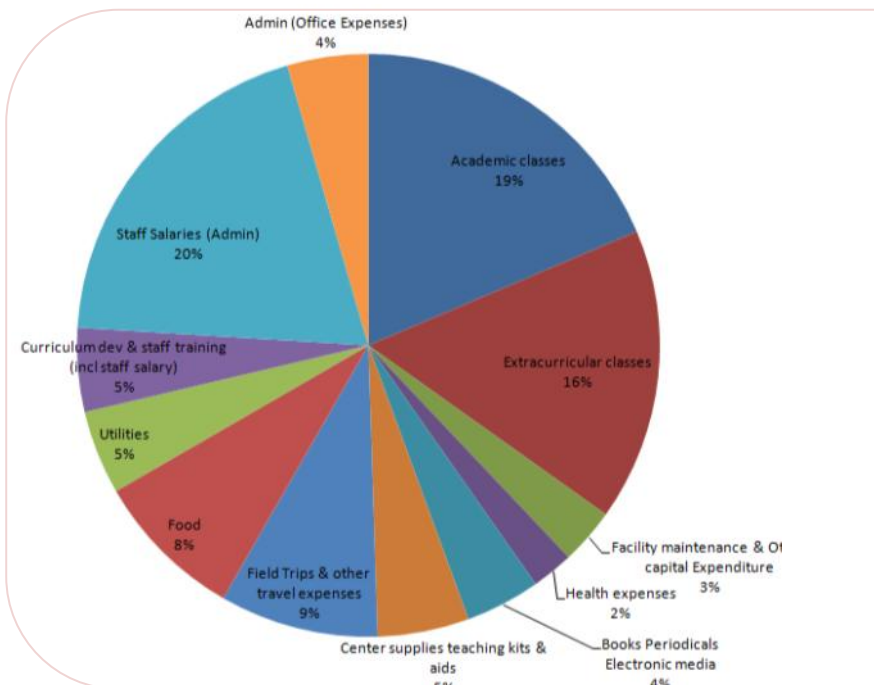


Pudiador Ramapuram children have started a new center in the same area PR2! The children teach the other children for a couple of hours

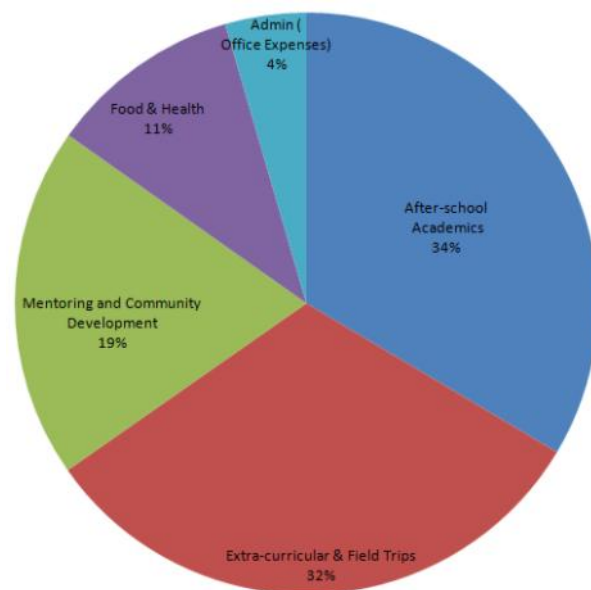


# Financial Overview for 2013

Use of funds: Cost-wise



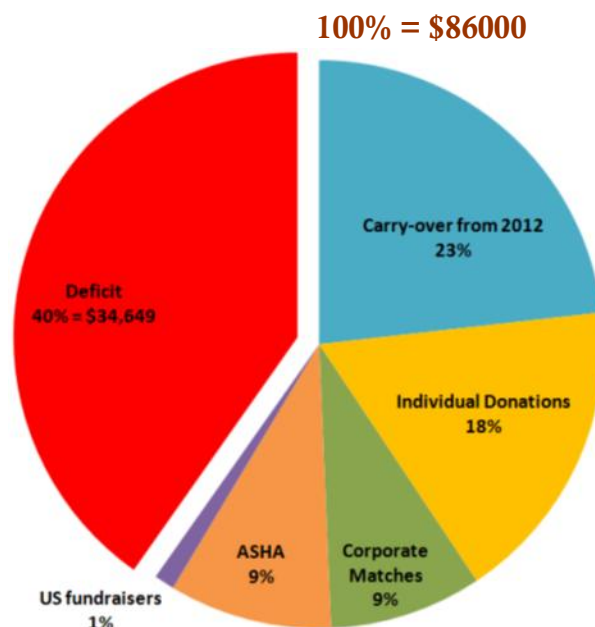
Use of funds: Program-wise



2013 promises to be another exciting year for Pudiador. We will keep you posted on every new step we plan to take as none of it would be possible without your support!

As our well-wisher, you might be concerned about the big deficit we are facing right now. We'd like to walk you through the details and tell you how we plan to work with it:

- \* Our budget for 2013 is almost \$30,000 more than for 2012. Two main reasons: projected addition of two new centers, and additional programming planned for the children. Both will be pursued *only* if we raise the required funds this year.
- \* Historically, because of supporters like you, Pudiador has been able to raise most of the needed funds as we go deeper into the year.
- \* Finally, like all forward looking organizations, Pudiador maintains a "rainy-day" fund of \$15,000 which we can dip into in times of need.



Funding Sources

So rest assured, Pudiador will continue moving onward and upward! We do have a humble request: please speak to a friend or two about Pudiador, and ask your company about "employee matching donations" (they might agree to multiply your contributions). We are always grateful for your support.

We'd be happy to answer any questions you might have about our budget! [info@pudiador.org](mailto:info@pudiador.org)

Have you been wondering what *you* can do to help?

Here are our *current and specific* needs —————>



### YOU CAN TEACH ONLINE!

Using Skype, you can connect with our children during weekday /evenings and weekends (IST) to:

- Help with academics
- Impart any of your skills
- Demonstrate science experiments
- Hold discussions about relevant and important topics
- Simply chat with the children about their lives and yours

Sign up for a weekly, bi-weekly or monthly slot at:

**[www.pudiyador.org/signup](http://www.pudiyador.org/signup)**



### We welcome donations

([PayPal](#), [Google Checkout](#), Cash, or Cheque)

- One-time or monthly
- We're a 501(c)(3) organization
- We also have FCRA clearance
- **All donations are tax-exempt**



### Spread the word

- Partner us with other NGOs
- Ask your employer about CSR
- How about matching donations?

### 1. Doctors!

- Need doctors to volunteer at our weekly community clinics. Any kind doctors you know of who would be willing to help?
- Need contact information for a child psychologist who speaks Tamil. Know any?

### 2. Projector

- Skype classes are clearer on the big screen
- We also screen educational/fun movies

### 3. Educational material

- Books in English for ages 3-10
- Illustrated books for non-readers
- Picture cards for innovative story telling
- Dictionaries (English and/or Tamil)
- Puzzles/activity books, board games

### 4. Music and sports equipment

- We urgently need guitars
- Any other musical instrument
- Bats/balls/frisbee for group sports
- Carrom boards / Chess boards

### 5. Cameras and Camcorders

- Digital cameras to record activities and share between centers
- Camcorders for curriculum development and documentation

### 6. Others

- Computer tables, storage cupboard/bureau, Inverter / UPS

Contact our Program Manager

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Our newsletter team would love to hear from you—after all, you are the reason our team exists! Please let us know what we can do to make this newsletter more informative and enjoyable. Or just drop a line to say hello :)

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