

Dear friend,

COVID-19 has made the world tremble, but if it has been shocking for most of us, imagine life for those who cannot afford a stable accommodation. Once again, these global and humanitarian disasters affect especially the most vulnerable population.

After 15 years (since Sonrisas de Bombay was born in 2005) **fighting against poverty in Mumbai slums**, we can state that we have not faced a similar situation before. Mandatory lockdown has prevented the poorest from working and, as a consequence, from earning enough money to cover primary needs for their families. This fact has led them to lack of food and salubrity in such a difficult period of time.

**Sonrisas de Bombay** -NGO located in Spain and India- started distributing, since the very beginning of the Indian lockdown, food and hygiene products to as many people in need as possible. We have already reached **almost 15,000 people through more than 150,000 meals delivered**. We are also turning our preschool centers into lodgings willing to accommodate homeless people in extreme need.

Besides the critical health situation, the future expectations do not allow us to be really optimistic. Rainy season is about to show up in Mumbai. **Monsoon will cause floods, unhealthiness and exposition** to other diseases. In summary, special difficulties again for those living in uncertain settlements.

This is why we are glad to have the chance to directly talk to you. Because **we need you all**. Our immediate goal is **to achieve \$5,000** in order to help **3,600** children and their families through this fundraising campaign that we firmly hope to accomplish.

<u>Discover our project</u> and <u>donate here</u> and/or share it with your contacts.

With only \$15 we will provide a full package of food (rice, lentils, cooking oil) and hygienic products for a whole family to help them resist this complex time. It is not such a big money to change a family life, isn't it? We count on you.

Thank you very much for your help.

Warm regards,

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