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Annual Report



DON BOSCO, A DREAMER



Saint John Bosco (16.8.1815 to 31.1.1888), popularly known as Don Bosco, was an Italian Roman Catholic priest, educator and a writer of the 19th century. While working in Turin, where the population suffered from many of the effects of industrialization and urbanization, he dedicated his life to the betterment and education of the street children, juvenile delinquents and other disadvantaged youth. He developed teaching methods based on love rather than punishment, a method that became known as the Salesian Preventive System. Don Bosco's capability to attract numerous boys and adult helpers was connected to his "Preventive System of

Education". He believed education to be a "matter of the heart" and said that the boys must not only be loved, but know that they are loved. He also pointed out three components of the Preventive System: reason, religion and kindness. Music and games also went into the system. A follower of spirituality and philosophy of Saint Francis de Sales, Don Bosco dedicated his works to the saint when he founded the Salesians of Don Bosco, based in Turin. Together with Maria Domenica Mazzarello, he founded the religious congregation of nuns dedicated to the care and education of poor girls.

In 1876 Don Bosco founded a movement of laity, the Association of Salesian Cooperators, with the same educational mission for the poor. Don Bosco established a network of organizations and centres to carry on his work. Don Bosco reached his eternal abode on January 31, 1888.

THE PEEP...



The year 2014-15 has been another action packed and a productive year for BOSCO; strengthening our mission to safeguard the rights of children and youth as well as accelerating actions to promote social changes. I would like to place on record all those who have been a part of this endeavor such as various agencies and individuals that have supported us, government and non-government departments, our donors, well-wishers, beneficiaries and so on. I would like to mention a special word of gratitude to all those who have lent a helping hand in publishing this annual report, especially all the directors and coordinators who shared the data and information. We look forward to an enriching year ahead.

Fr. John M.A. sdb

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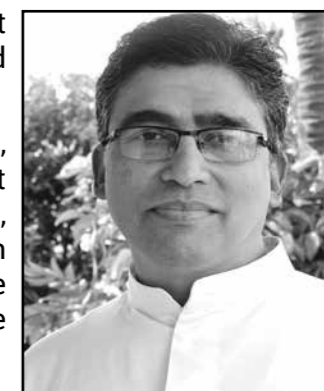
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FOREWORD

Claude Pepper, aptly said “you don’t fall off unless you stop pedaling”. We, at BOSCO have pedaled furiously in the past year. The annual report is a candid canvas, an insight into our hopes, aspirations, achievements and success.



Looking back over the year has been, and is always an enriching experience, and one can say with conviction that the year was the “season of light and the spring of hope” simply bursting with a kaleidoscope of activities, reaching out and serving the most vulnerable street children, runaways on the railway platforms, bus stands, markets, slums, alleys and by lanes in the city of Bangalore, determined to protect them before they are ensnared in the dangerous human traps.

During June 2014 - May 2015, BOSCO reached out and rescued 7,318 children of which 993 were girls. Believing that home is the best place where a child must belong, we restored 5,603 of them to their families. Others were provided with various support systems with the intention of restoring them back to their families at a later period.

The boys and girls on the streets are vulnerable especially where health issues are concerned. In the past one year, 3,454 of them were rendered medical assistance and given periodic counseling, treatment and care. Children who could not return to their families immediately due to various reasons were supported with bridge schooling, regular education in schools and colleges and supplementary education, besides being sheltered in BOSCO homes or other homes.

The skill training department of BOSCO offered nine different trades to over 374 boys and girls to survive the cruel streets and become a part of the mainstream society and lead dignified lives. Those boys and girls who underwent training, if they desired, were given job placements and follow up. Education, skill training, employment and then room placement was arranged for the desirous, so as to enable them to learn to live independently and be on their own.

BOSCO continued to work closely with various slum communities in Bangalore on issues such as health, food, shelter, education, women empowerment, child rights, etc., besides supporting Anganwadis and schools in slum areas, tuition centres and child rights clubs. Various awareness programs and campaigns on relevant issues led to the improvement of the lives of the marginalized sections of Bangalore city, especially children/youth.

BOSCO joined hands with the State to implement CHILDLINE, open shelter, Missing Child Bureau, Special Juvenile Police Unit and other initiatives such as Foster care home, services at Government children’s home, ICPS Committee, State Child Protection Policy and child assistance booths in the railway stations and bus stands. Child Safety Net, BRIDGE Network, ECCE, CRY, CREAM, etc. were carried out with the support of Non-Governmental Agencies. All these programs and projects contributed tremendously towards the well-being of the children in turbulent situations in Bangalore city.

2014-15 was a year in which BOSCO moved ahead with tremendous determination to realize the welfare and rights of the disadvantaged children/youth. This annual report of 2014-15 spotlights BOSCO’s commitment towards the uplift of the deprived children. The management and the BOSCO family are happy at the achievements during the year 2014-15. We acknowledge with immense gratitude that all those achievements were possible due to the bounteous and copious blessings of the Almighty God, the Salesian Congregation, the State, BREADS, different religious communities, funding agencies, friends and well-wishers and above all due to those who were constantly by our side to encourage and support us. We are ever grateful to all of them.

BOSCO will continue to be there in the streets and at other dangerous situations dedicating itself to protect the children/youth so that they may live life to its fullness.

Fr. Mathew Thomas sdb
Executive Director
BOSCO Bengaluru

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ಅನೇಕ ವರ್ಷಗಳಿಂದ ಮಕ್ಕಳ ಹಿತರಕ್ಷಣೆಗಾಗಿ ದುಡಿಯುತ್ತಿರುವ ಬಾಸ್ಕೋ ಸಂಸ್ಥೆ 2014 ಮತ್ತು 2015ನೇ ಸಾಲಿನ ರಾಷ್ಟ್ರೀಯ ಪ್ರಶಸ್ತಿಗೆ ಪಾತ್ರವಾಗಿರುವುದು ಸಂತೋಷದ ಸಂಗತಿ. ಈ ಸಂಸ್ಥೆಯ ಎಲ್ಲಾ ಪದಾಧಿಕಾರಿಗಳನ್ನು ಇದಕ್ಕಾಗಿ ಅಭಿನಂದಿಸಲು ಬಯಸುತ್ತೇನೆ.

ಬಾಸ್ಕೋ ಸಂಸ್ಥೆ ಪರಿತ್ಯಕ್ತ ಮಕ್ಕಳು, ಬಾಲ ಕಾರ್ಮಿಕರು ಹಾಗೂ ಸಂಕಷ್ಟ ಸ್ಥಿತಿಯಲ್ಲಿರುವ ಮಕ್ಕಳಿಗೆ ಅನೇಕ ಕಾರ್ಯಕ್ರಮಗಳನ್ನು ಹಮ್ಮಿಕೊಂಡು ಅದನ್ನು ಪರಿಣಾಮಕಾರಿಯಾಗಿ ಜಾರಿಗೆ ತರುತ್ತಿರುವ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ತಿಳಿದುಕೊಂಡಿದ್ದೇನೆ. ಬಾಸ್ಕೋ ಮೂಲಕ ಸಾವಿರಾರು ಮಕ್ಕಳು ನೆರವು ಪಡೆದುಕೊಂಡಿರುತ್ತಾರೆ ಎಂಬುದು ಅಭಿನಂದನೀಯ ಸಂಗತಿ. ಮಕ್ಕಳ ಹಿತರಕ್ಷಣೆ ಮತ್ತು ಅವರ ಭವಿಷ್ಯದ ಬದುಕನ್ನು ರೂಪಿಸಲು ಇನ್ನೂ ಹೆಚ್ಚು ಹೆಚ್ಚಾಗಿ ಇಂತಹ ಸಂಸ್ಥೆಗಳು ತಮ್ಮನ್ನು ತಾವು ತೊಡಗಿಸಿಕೊಳ್ಳಬೇಕು.

ಬಾಸ್ಕೋ ಸಂಸ್ಥೆಯ ಕಾರ್ಯಕ್ರಮಗಳ ಕುರಿತು 2014-15ನೇ ಸಾಲಿನ ವಾರ್ಷಿಕ ವರದಿಯನ್ನು ಹೊರತರುತ್ತಿರುವುದು ಸಕಾಲಕವಾಗಿದೆ. ಇಂತಹ ವರದಿಗಳು ಮುಂದಿನ ಕಾರ್ಯಸೂಚಿಯನ್ನು ನಿರ್ಧರಿಸುವಲ್ಲಿ ಬಹಳ ಮುಖ್ಯವಾಗುತ್ತವೆ. ಈ ದಿನೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಬಾಸ್ಕೋ ಇನ್ನಷ್ಟು ಪರಿಣಾಮಕಾರಿಯಾಗಿ ಮುಂದುವರೆಯಲಿ ಎಂದು ಹಾರೈಸುತ್ತೇನೆ.

(ಉಮಾಶ್ರೀ)

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My Dear Friends,

I am very happy to pen these lines on the occasion when BOSCO is publicly acknowledged as that part of the society which takes care of the young with commitment, strategy and planning. Congratulations and thanks to all as BOSCO has been given the award as the best agency that has given its unique contribution in favor of the children and young at risk. It is a fitting occasion to thank God for all those people through whose instrumentality this movement has grown into such a big magnitude making its unique contributions to the society in favor of the young who find themselves at different cross roads in their lives when they need direction, guidance, protection, security and someone whom they can trust.



May I take this opportunity to thank all the leaders of this movement called BOSCO which has grown in to this present state due to the commitment and generosity of all those who have spent their precious time in this institution in various capacities and roles. May I thank all the Rectors who acted as the animators of this project who have given their unique contribution to this movement making their intervention in the society relevant and efficacious. Thanks to Fr. George Kollashany, Fr. Varghese Pallippuram, Fr. Koottungal Varghese, Fr. Edward Alapurackal, Fr. George PS and Fr. Mathew Thomas for having given the right leadership in responding to the needs of the young in different kinds of challenging situations and for having done it with a perceptive mind and practical wisdom. Don Bosco our inspiration and model behind this movement used to tell his boys, "It is enough to know that you are young for me to love you". He used to say, "Here in your midst I feel completely at home." Thanks to all the Salesian Fathers and Brothers who have given their contribution to make this movement into a vast apostolate in favour of the young. Thanks also to all the collaborators of BOSCO who have shared the vision of Don Bosco in giving hope to the less privileged youth, offering them hope and security. Thanks to them for their sincere collaboration in this noble mission of assisting the young at risk in helping them to prepare themselves to face the future.

Today it is the collective responsibility of us all to make India into a place where we enjoy being in our Motherland, enjoying the security that it offers, when everyone fulfils his/her duties with utmost commitment and sense of satisfaction. We learn to live in the context of unity in diversity and enjoy and value diversity that is part of nature.

We all know that we shall pass through this world but once. Khalil Gibran says, "You give little when you give off your possessions. It is when you give off yourself that you truly give." The world has been made better and the lives of many have become brighter because of the generosity and spirit of sacrifice of some people who dared to hope and to decide that they shall not neglect any act of kindness for we shall not pass through this world for a second time. May BOSCO be that KIND FACE of the human society that looks with compassion on the needy youth; 'For God loves the cheerful giver.' And BOSCO shall continue its services in favour of the young in a mode that is in keeping with the 'Good Samaritan Law' which says, 'Go and do likewise.'

With warm wishes and prayers,

Fr. Joyce Thonukuzhiyil sdb
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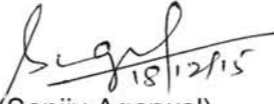


Message

I am immensely pleased to know that BOSCO is bringing out the Annual Report of the current year.

Bangalore Oniyavara Seva Coota Popularly called as BOSCO is an organization in existence since last 35 years and offers variety of services ranging from rescue, rehabilitation, advocacy upto networking of the rescued from various parts of Bengaluru for the betterment of the rescued. At Bangalore City Station, there is a 'Child Assistance Centre' through which children who land in platforms are rescued and rehabilitated. Thus, I feel proud to be part of this Organization in rendering a noble social cause.

I wish BOSCO all the success in their endeavour.


 (Sanjiv Agarwal)
 Divisional Railway Manager



MESSAGE

It gives immense pleasure, to know about the achievements in the rehabilitation and upliftment of the under privileged and neglected children of the society by BOSCO. The work and the achievements by the institution in the past few years are highly appreciable. Further, Institution is doing excellent social work and valuable services to the society, especially on the children front. The vision and the mission of the institution are highly commendable. I also place on record the hard work and the team work of the staff who are mainly responsible for whole, and congratulate them on this occasion. I wish all success and promise to support for their future visionary work.


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MESSAGE

The first name that comes to me when I think of children in need of care and protection and in conflict with law is Bangalore Oniyavara Seva Coota (BOSCO). BOSCO has been passionately involved in the rescue and rehabilitation of vulnerable children and closely associated with the police department in assisting children in conflict with law and in tracing missing children. The active participation of the organisation in "Operation Smile" phase one and two has been a constant support to the department in tracing its personnel in JJ Act and other child related acts. It highly appreciable that the organisation has received the National Child Welfare Award 2014 in institutional category from the President of India on 14th November 2015.

At this juncture I would like to congratulate the organisation and wish that the good work carried out would give life to many more vulnerable children and youth. I am also happy to learn that the organisation is bring out its annual report and I wish the Management , Staff and Childern/Youth of BOSCO all the base in their future ventures as well.

(P.HARISHEKARAN)

Additional Commissioner of Police,
East, Bengaluru City

MEET THE TEAM!



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| 27. Prijo John | 54. Narendranath | 81. Shruthi R. | |

BOSCO THE CANDID CANVAS

Bangalore Oniyavara Seva Coota, commonly known as BOSCO, is a registered Non-Profit Charitable Organization under the society's Registration Act of 1960. It is established in 1980 by the Salesians of Don Bosco (SDB).

VISION

BOSCO aspires for a society that unreservedly cares for its children/youth through preventive and promotional approaches as well as stands up for their well-being.

MISSION

BOSCO accompanies the young at risk in their struggles and journeys from the margins to the centre of society so that they may become integrated individuals and responsible citizens.

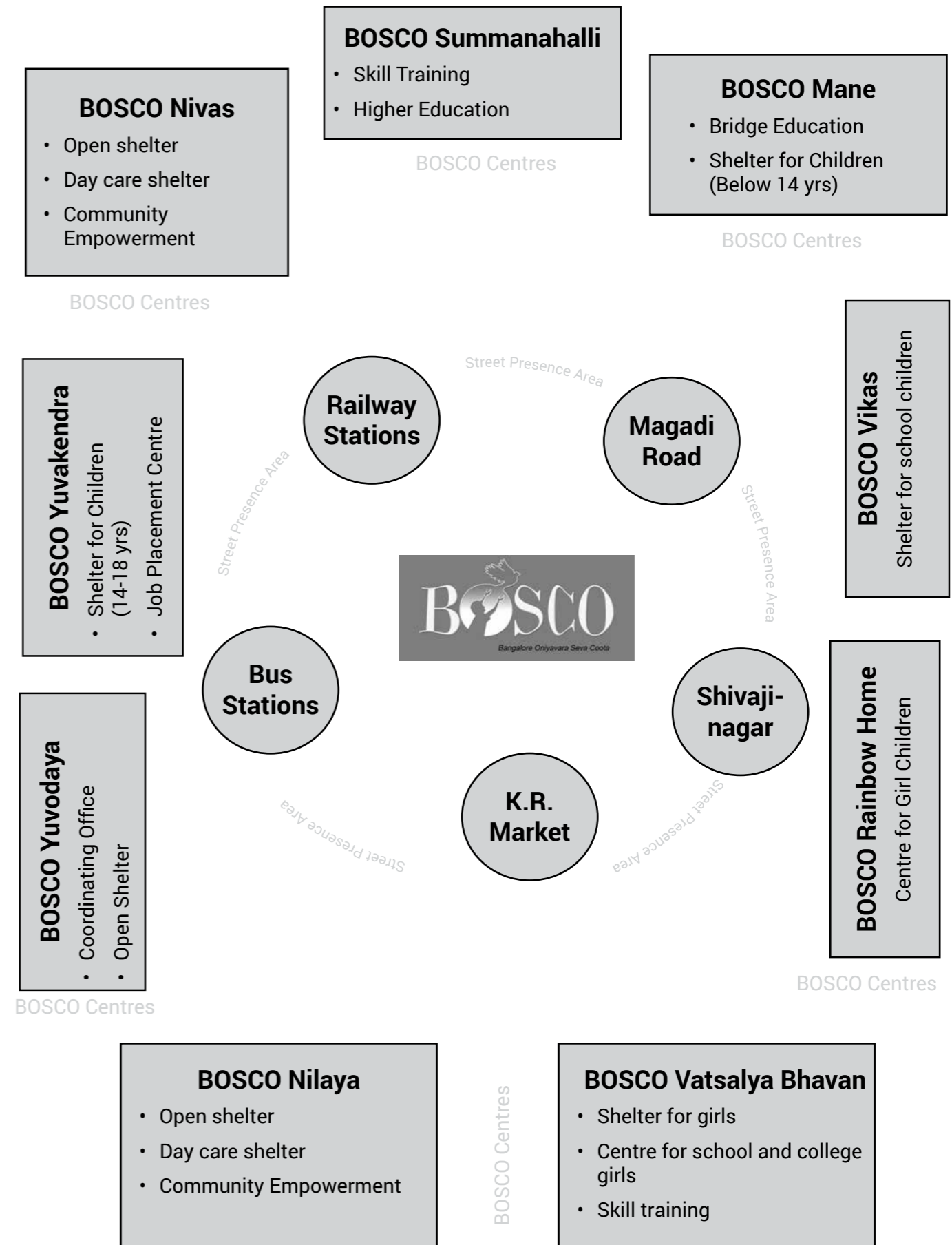
BOSCO reaches out to the deprived, marginalized and vulnerable children/youth such as children on the streets, child laborers, runaways and trafficked children, abandoned and orphaned children, victims of all kinds of abuses, rag pickers, child beggars etc.

BOSCO lives by its motto, "That they may have life...in all its fullness". In keeping with the motto, following are the services and programs rendered by BOSCO on behalf of the Young at Risk:

- ◆ 24*7 Street Presence ◆ Child Rescue Booths ◆ CHILDLINE ◆ Counseling ◆ Special Juvenile Police Unit
- ◆ Missing Child Bureau ◆ Child Safety Net ◆ Community Development ◆ Child Rights Campaigns and Awareness Creation ◆ Child Rights Clubs ◆ Foster Care ◆ Shelter Homes for Children ◆ Skill Training
- ◆ Education ◆ Health Care ◆ Job Placement ◆ Room Placement ◆ Home Placement ◆ Advocacy
- ◆ Research and Documentation ◆ Publication ◆



CENTRES AND AREAS OF BOSCO





STREET PRESENCE

There are numerous reasons that force the children to live on the streets. Many children take their lives to the street either lured by the prospects of a good job or to lead an independent life. Some are found to be running away from non-conducive environments and the constant bickering at home. Here lies the possibility of getting into a trap of crooked and shady elements ruling the streets and as a result bringing an abrupt halt to their childhood and innocence. Therefore, it is BOSCO's devoted agenda to extend its round the clock presence through various services such as counseling, medical assistance, providing food and shelter, organizing orientation camps etc. One of the core practices of BOSCO includes rescue operations and awareness programs.

Rescue

A large number of children who find it hard to adjust or deal with personal issues tend to run away to big cities with the hope of leading a better life. Unfortunately, they face the stark reality of no food, shelter or care once they land on the street. Their experience in the street is so distressing and disturbing that it shatters their spirit in no time. Here, they become prey to human predators such as child traffickers, criminals and abusers. Therefore, BOSCO's mission is to come in contact with them before they are preyed upon. Once they fall in the trap rescue becomes difficult. It is the collective effort of BOSCO to apply the best strategy in accordance with the circumstances and ensure that quick action is taken; thus attempting to decrease the intensity of the problem. BOSCO's rescue operations take place from railway platforms, bus terminals, factories, hotels, parks, public places etc. BOSCO's important components such as CHILDLINE, SJPU, Child Safety Net etc., collaborate with Police and other Government Departments in crucial intervention for mass rescue operations and prevention of child right violations.

Statistics of Children Rescued by BOSCO during June 2014-May 2015			
Contact Point	Boys	Girls	Total
BOSCO Mane	12	00	12
BOSCO Summanahalli	15	00	15
BOSCO Nilaya	46	37	83
BOSCO Nivas	32	32	64
BOSCO Yuvakendra	27	00	27
Railway Station	3868	396	4264
Bus Stand/Gandhinagar	1791	201	1992
BOSCO Yuvodaya	25	00	25
CHILDLINE	251	147	398
SJPU	258	94	352
BOSCO Vatsalya Bhavan	00	76	76
BOSCO Rainbow home	00	10	10
Grand Total	6325	993	7318

Action Taken	
Type of Actions	Total Number
Home Placement	5603
Institutional Placement/Referred to CWC	1398
Counseled and Sent	244
Present in BOSCO Centres	73
Grand Total	7318



"BOSCO has been making every effort towards the rescue, rehabilitation and development of street children and underprivileged children in Bangalore for the past 36 years. The organization has been engaged in organizing several programs with respect to the protection of child rights. BOSCO has also successfully identified thousands of school dropouts as well as out of school children and provided them with non-formal education; which has gradually mainstreamed them into regular schooling. By joining hands with several Government Departments, it is striving towards the development of children and has also earned several recognitions and awards at both the State and National levels. We pray that BOSCO's efforts shall bring light into the lives of thousands of children who are encumbered by the precarious conditions of the street."

Padmavati K.

Deputy Director (Admin)
Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan
Bengaluru, South.

Counseling

A deep sense of utter abandonment is so strongly rooted in the psyche of street children that they are totally dejected with life. It is BOSCO's primary goal to make the child feel that he/she is worthy and capable of living a better life. BOSCO provides counseling service to the children with the help of professional counselors at different stages of intervention. A counselor tries to shed light on a child's hidden feelings and emotions, endeavors to change his/her unhealthy and inappropriate attitude, instill self-confidence in them, prompt the child to come in terms with the reality and thus, inspire him/her to make suitable resolutions. Therapeutic counseling and referring to specialized centres is administered from the rehabilitation centres of BOSCO. It also provides counseling to the parents, guardians and legal custodians of the rescued children. Counseling service is also extended to parents and families who are in need of support and guidance.

Health Care

Knowing that a child in the street lives in extremely unhygienic conditions and consequently becomes vulnerable to a variety of diseases and parasitic infestations, BOSCO makes remarkable medical interventions. The Health Care Department of BOSCO takes care of the medical services for the rehabilitation centres, slum communities and its operational areas. Besides direct interventions, many health awareness programs and medical camps are conducted.

Statistics of Medical Care Provided	
In Patient	40
Out Patient	673
Other Medical Care	2741

"It was God's wish that I should be alive and it was BOSCO who made that wish come true. I was an orphan who was sick, helpless and lifeless. BOSCO raised me in its arms and gave me a new life. My heart is filled with gratitude for all those who cared for me and loved me during my hour of need as well as helped me heal from the last stage of T.B. I am happy to say that I am miraculously alive." – **Nagaraj, 18 years.**

Education

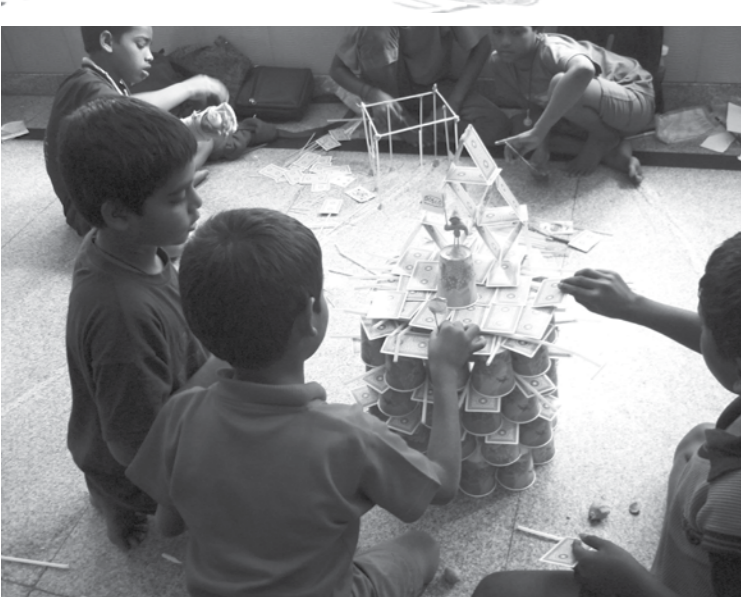
BOSCO believes that education forms the basis of human development and the organization's intervention is for those children who have the least chances of attaining regular schooling. Children from the slums do not lack intelligence but transforming them requires immense motivation, love and support from the educator. Children who land up on the streets usually have less interest in studies which results in increase in the number of school dropouts. BOSCO, with its innovative strategies motivates the children in gaining interest in studies and attending regular classes. Its centres such as BOSCO Vikas, BOSCO Rainbow Home and BOSCO Vatsalya Bhavan are dedicated towards making the children develop greater interest in their studies. On the other hand, BOSCO Summanahalli is dedicated towards providing higher education to its residents.

Statistics of School/College Going Children

Std	BV	BRH	BVB	BSUM	Total
I	-	-	-		-
II	3	3	6		12
III	4	14	6		24
IV	6	14	3		23
V	10	4	4		18
VI	4	3	2		9
VII	3	8	2		13
VIII	11	6	-		17
IX	9	4	1		14
X	8	5	1		14
+1			6	6	12
+2			2	7	9
D.C -1				3	3
D.C -2				3	3
D.C -3				2	2
PG				1	1
TOTAL	58	61	33	22	174

Note: BV - BOSCO Vikas, BRH - BOSCO Rainbow Home, BVB - BOSCO Vatsalya Bhavan and BSUM - BOSCO Summanahalli.





Bridge Schooling

Of the children rescued from the streets and vulnerable pockets of Bangalore, those who were unable to return to their homes or were orphaned were admitted to the half way home of BOSCO; as some of the identified children may have never attended school. Here, skill training, non-formal education, creative learning, homely atmosphere, therapeutic counseling, mentoring, craft, play, art etc. are provided to eliminate the deep rooted negative impact of the street life or the problems faced by them at home due to various unavoidable circumstances. This equips the children with age appropriate skills and knowledge required to lead a dignified life and enables the mentors to identify a suitable school to enroll these children into formal schooling. The bridge schooling program not only aims to enroll children in schools but also focuses on their overall development and reintegration into the mainstream society.

Once the children complete their schooling, there still remain vulnerable young adults who are either orphans or are unable to return to their families. Each of them has dreams, aspirations and wishes to continue education on a higher level. BOSCO enrolls such youth in colleges, ITIs and other training institutes based on their interests and aptitude.

Supplementary Education

The children rescued by BOSCO are from diverse backgrounds such as school dropouts or children who have never been to school. The first priority of the organization is to prepare these children for formal education provided they possess the aptitude and interest in studies. In this case classes are organized in different shelter homes of BOSCO which prepares them for schooling. The classes are organized for children beyond school age, to prepare them for open school exams in 10th standard and also to take up jobs according to the skills that they are trained in.

Skill Training

BOSCO runs its own skill training centre for boys at BOSCO Summanahalli, in the outskirts of Bangalore. It is equipped with the latest machineries and qualified and experienced staff to promote work culture in the youth; thereby, bringing them into the mainstream society. Besides training them in six trades such as carpentry, electrical, two wheeler mechanics, bakery, book binding and welding, BOSCO Sumanahalli also provides computer education to the youth in basics, Microsoft Office, internet and tally. Apart from the above mentioned trades, a tailoring unit is also functioning at BOSCO Nivas and BOSCO Vatsalya Bhavan.

During the training period skill classes are periodically conducted as well as exposure visits to factories to get an input about the work culture in industries. Those children who develop an interest in studies during the course of the skill training program are enrolled in the Karnataka Open School (KOS) to facilitate them to appear for their matriculate exams



Statistics of Youth Enrolled for Training

Type of Trade	Number
Welding	30
Two wheeler mechanic	32
Book binding	19
Bakery	22
Carpentry	17
Electrician	10
Tailoring (Vatsalya Bhavan)	69
Tailoring (Shivajinagar)	45
Total	244

"I have stayed in BOSCO for 10 years since the time I was very young. To me BOSCO is home. BOSCO catered for the betterment of my growth physically and mentally as well as instilled etiquettes within me. I am grateful to the BOSCO family for making me what I am today. Even after leaving BOSCO, I have followed the values which were instilled in me and I am happy to be a part of this family that is working towards the betterment of young boys and girls. When I get settled in life, I would like to work for the boys who are like me." - David, 17 years.



Computer Education

There are two computer training centres situated at BOSCO Mane and BOSCO Summanahalli campus from which 130 children passed out in basic, Microsoft Office and tally in the previous year and 84 children are presently undergoing the training process. This widens the career options for children and contributes to their integral development.

Statistics of the Youth Enrolled for Computer Training

SI No.	Month	Basic (Below 18)	Basic/ Vocational	Tally	Total	Job Placement
1	June	01	20	00	21	09
2	July	01	30	01	32	55
3	August	04	20	04	28	00
4	September	09	13	01	23	00
5	October	15	12	00	27	00
6	November	09	06	00	15	03
	Total	39	101	06	146	67

Statistics of the Youth Placed in Jobs

SI No.	Company Name	Job Placed
1	Axis Bank	12
2	ICICI Bank	4
3	Aircel	28
4	Vertex	17
5	Pratha	6
	Total	67

Basavaraj, a Past Pupil of BOSCO, 32 years.

"Earlier I had worked in a hospital and when I came to BOSCO Yuvakendra, I was 17 years old. After getting room placed with other boys of BOSCO Yuvakendra, I joined PUC in the evening college. Later, I studied degree in the evening college and at present I am working as a Teacher in Sri Aurobindo Vidya Mandir. I also finished my B.A. and B.Ed, and got married. Now, I am a father of twin babies and leading a secured family life."

Job Placement

Most of the youth come to the city in search of jobs. After being counseled at BOSCO Yuvodaya these youth are sent to BOSCO Yuvakendra, where they are assisted and guided in finding suitable employment. Youth who have undergone skill based training at various vocational skill training centres of BOSCO are placed for skilled jobs like welding, carpentry, computer data entry, electricians, mechanics, screen printing, bakery, tailoring, sales, etc. BOSCO is in contact with a number of employers who understand the situation and background of these youth and are ready to extend cooperation and offer them jobs. A total of 108 youths have been placed in various sectors. Through these placements, the youth gained back their lost self-respect and dignity. Also with the help of the employers and the identity cards provided by the firms, they are able to open bank accounts of their own and learn to save for the future.

Room Placement

Mainstreaming youths, in the age group of 18-25, by leading them back to the society as economically independent young adults is our ultimate goal. BOSCO helps youngsters in hiring rooms or renting a place along with other boys. They are equipped to pay for the accommodation; and follow up of these youth is periodically done. The core idea behind room placement is to prep up the youth for the metamorphosis from a cocooned life of institutionalized care where they were provided with everything to rooms where they have to manage on their own; facing the stark realities of life. They also get the opportunity to experience the camaraderie of their roommates with whom they share their hopes, dreams as well as their pains and frustrations. However, their relationship with BOSCO does not end as they regularly visit BOSCO for guidance and counseling. BOSCO staff does a follow up by visiting them and arranging past - pupil get together. In the previous year, 16 boys have been room placed.

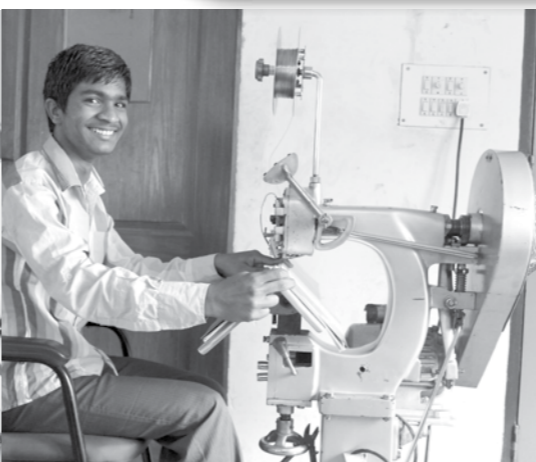
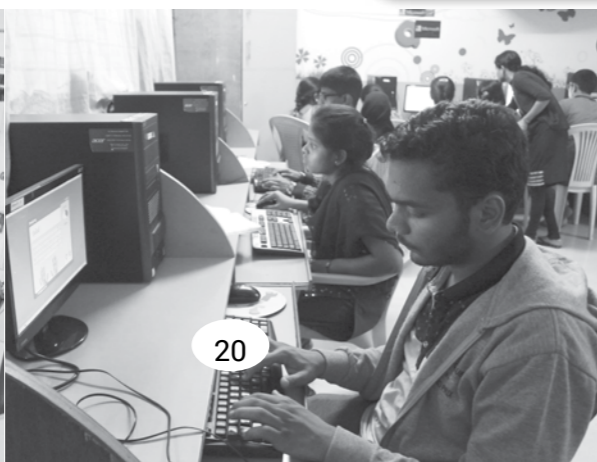
Home Placement

Home placement is one of the major activities of BOSCO. BOSCO Yuvodaya acts as a transit home for around 25 children on a daily basis who are rescued from the railway stations, bus stands and the various contact points in the streets of Bangalore. The children who are brought to the centre are counseled and are encouraged to return to their homes.

BOSCO's main aim is to reunite the children with their parents since it believes that family is the most suitable place to grow up. A lot of motivation and awareness is given to children as well as parents before BOSCO decides to home place a child. This home placement in most of the cases includes calling the parents or close relatives and handing over the child to them and sometimes our staff accompanies the child back home. In the previous year a total number of 5,603 children were home placed from BOSCO.

"It is by the grace and mercy of God that I came to BOSCO. BOSCO has a caring atmosphere and it helped me to look into myself. I was ashamed to see my disgusting and offensive nature which caused great pain to my mother and everyone around me. BOSCO brought out my inner being and taught me to live a good and meaningful life. It brought out the talents that were hidden in me and gave me a healthy orientation in life. I want blessings of my mother, sister and everyone who came into my life and thank BOSCO for its love and support."

– Praveen, 18 years.



RETURN OF THE PRODIGAL SON BACK TO HOMETOWN

Abhishek lost his father and mother in his childhood. He lived with his family in Bangalore until his father's death and then his mother decided to shift to Mysore. She moved to Mysore with three children. His mother sought a job in a sweet stall to earn a livelihood. Failing health and the diagnosis stating that she was affected with tuberculosis, forced his eldest sister to take up a job.

In the meantime, while the struggle for existence was going on, one of his uncles stepped in to take the responsibility of the family and support them financially. Thus, the family returned back to Bangalore and settled in K.R. Puram, where Abhishek was admitted to Narayanpura Government High School. Soon after his mother succumbed to the illness and passed away. Loss of his mother made the boy very desolate and dejected leading to disinterest in his studies.

THE FLIGHT

Abhishek's absence and irregularity in school was accidentally detected one day by his uncle when he went to enquire about Abhishek's progress. Infuriated at the discovery, his uncle posed several queries and reprimanded him severely. That was the final straw for Abhishek. He fled the place armed with Rs. 10,000, which he had taken from home, and was wandering aimlessly till he was rescued by BOSCO staff.

POST RESCUE

Abhishek appeared pale and knocked out when he was brought to the Centre. He was very withdrawn and barely mingled with the other kids at the centre. He would often be found sulking in a corner. He initially informed that he hailed from Mysore and his name was Mahesh.

THE METAMORPHOSIS

After several sessions Abhishek started blossoming and opening up; revealing his true identity and details of his whereabouts. Abhishek during his stay at the centre often fell ill giving the staff at BOSCO some anxious moments. A doctor was consulted who stated that he had no serious health issue. This brought great relief to the staff. Abhishek, now, had weighed up the surroundings and began interacting with the others, also actively participating in all the activities at BOSCO. He started enjoying his stay and was later enrolled for skill training at one of the BOSCO centres. He took up screen printing and book binding.

THE SEARCH

In the meantime, his elder sister got married, while the younger one took up a job in a sales company E-Zone in Marathahalli. Tracing Abhishek's family proved to be an uphill task as he had decamped with a big sum of Rs.10,000. Enquiries fetched no results, as people were reluctant to reveal anything. Finally his family was traced with the assistance of K.R. Puram ASI Mr. Shivappa. The police took deep interest and found out his siblings and uncle. The family was instructed to immediately get in touch with BOSCO and they also produced a referral letter.

Although his sisters desired to take Abhishek home, he refused to comply with their request as he wanted to complete the training which he did without delay. His sister requested BOSCO to accommodate him for some more days as she lived in a PG. Her plea was accepted by BOSCO.

A month later his uncle's arrival brought good tidings for Abhishek as the uncle had come to take him home. Abhishek was taken back home by one of the staff member along with his uncle. Abhishek could not be enrolled for job post training since he could not exert himself lifting heavy objects. Presently, Abhishek is employed at a place closer to his house. His elder sibling also buried the past, forgave his folly and embraced him whole heartedly.

FOLLOW UP

Follow up was done on 25th September which revealed that Abhishek was employed in a place closer to his residence and was enjoying as well as savoring the job. We wish Abhishek the very best in all his future endeavors.

SLUM/COMMUNITY CARE AND DEVELOPMENT



BOSCO, being a right based organization, concentrates its effort in the holistic development of slum communities to promote child protection. In this regard, BOSCO team works closely with slum communities and especially women and children on various issues such as health, shelter, food, education and women empowerment.

In 2014-15, BOSCO team worked closely with various slum communities and ensured the following:

- Birth registration of 83 new born babies and their immunization.
- Polio vaccination of 480 children below 5 years of age.
- 43 malnourished children were identified and were referred to Nutrition Rehabilitation Centre (NRC).
- 22 new born baby girls availed Janani Suraksha Yojana.
- 8 baby girls availed Bhagyalakshmi Yojana.
- Twelve health camps were conducted in slums during the year and a total of 1,820 people benefitted from them.
- Under Rashtriya Swasthya Bima Yojana (RSBY), health cards have been issued to 610 families.
- 'Food Adalath' was organized in five slums to sort out issues of Public Distribution System (PDS) and as a result, 168 ration cards were renewed.
- 268 people secured voter ID cards, 88 senior citizen cards and 335 Aadhar cards.



Bangalore Oniyavara Seva Coota (BOSCO) is known to me personally from 2013 and the organization is committed to safeguarding the rights of the children from the streets and slums of Bangalore. The organization has joined hands with the department in running CHILD LINE 1098 services, Special Juvenile Police Units, Open Shelter, Missing Child Bureau and other child rights' activities.

I am very happy that the Organization has won the National Child Welfare Award 2014 in the Institutional category and while congratulating the Staff and Management, I also wish that the organization will continue to render its services to vulnerable children.

Smt. Divya Narayanappa
District Child Protection Officer
Bangalore Urban





School and Tuition Centres

During the scholastic year, 18 children secured seats under RTE in various private schools. There were 148 new enrollments from slum communities and 110 re-enrollments. This was a result of the regular tuition in 7 slum communities and the summer camps conducted for them. An average of 200 children attended the tuition classes and 320 children attended the summer camps organized in Shivajinagar, Vinobhanagar, MCT Quarters and Jally Mohalla areas of Bangalore. The main attraction of the camp was art, craft and theatre. Various subjects were taught through these activities.

Statistics of Children Attending Tuition

Std	K.R.M	S. Nagar	S. Lite	Total
I	16	05	4	25
II	12	12	2	26
III	14	24	1	39
IV	20	25	4	49
V	15	21	4	40
VI	9	25	5	39
VII	9	19	4	32
VIII	4	09	3	16
IX	1	03	-	04
X	-	08	-	08
TOTAL	100	151	27	278

Note: K.R.M. – K.R. Market, S. Nagar – Shivajinagar and S. Lite – Satellite.

Child Rights Clubs

BOSCO works closely with children in schools and slum communities with the objective of providing them a platform to share their ideas and empowering them to address their own protection issues. In this effort BOSCO strengthened 78 child rights clubs in schools, and on an experimental basis child rights clubs in slum communities. The children put up street plays on various occasions to educate the public about child rights and the importance of child protection. They participated in rallies and public gatherings to address issues of child sexual abuse in schools, protested against cancellation of ration cards in slums, child labour and child marriage.

Advocacy with Slum Board and Other Departments

BOSCO directly involves with the communities, especially slums, to ensure that their basic rights are protected. It conducts various field visits to study the communities in crisis and advocate for their essential needs. BOSCO's strategy of conducting awareness programme for the well-being of the slum community involves not only spreading awareness about child rights, health care, women empowerment, etc. but also ground level work for the community.

WOMEN EMPOWERMENT

Women have a major role to play in any society. Very often it is the women who run the family with their meager income shouldering the burden of sick parents and young children as the men are either alcoholics or have deserted the families or are no more. It is against this socio-economic background, BOSCO started intervention among women in slum communities. The major objective of BOSCO is to empower women to educate their children and through their children bring about transformation in their lives which will enable them to lead respectful lives in society. There are 32 Self Help and Mothers Groups that are active in our working areas taking up issues of children and addressing them.

STAKEHOLDERS

Stakeholders can affect or be affected by the organization's actions, objectives and policies. Major Stakeholders include a wide range of people who are supporting both directly and indirectly towards the rescue and rehabilitation of children. It ranges from common man on the streets to Government officials such as Police, RPF, GRPF, Railway and bus stand officials, AHTU, child rights clubs, NGOs, school teachers, parents, SDMC members, local leaders of the ward, etc. It also includes the duty bearers such as CWOs, DCPO, CWC, JJB, railway officials, KSRTC, BBMP officials, officials from the Departments which includes WCD, ICPS, labour departments, education departments and health departments, Law Enforcement and Legal System, etc. General public are the major stakeholders in our mission.

"When BOSCO picked me up from City Railway Station 13 years ago, I was like a bird with broken wings. BOSCO's care and affection cured the wounds and inspired me to fly high. BOSCO found my talent in sports and gave me all the support and inspiration. I was fortunate to participate in the World Cup football under 19 that happened in Brazil. As a player I was given wonderful opportunities to visit many countries. Today along with my studies, I am also a football coach for school children. BOSCO transformed me to be a beacon for the children in similar situation." - **Revanna, 23 years.**

BRIDGE Network

BRIDGE or Bangalore Rights Initiative for Development and Gender Empowerment is a ten year project which was initiated in 2006 as a network of 11 NGOs, among which BOSCO is functioning as the nodal agency. It is supported by Action Aid.

BRIDGE Network, was instituted with an aim to connect the urban deprived communities with the government agencies and avail the government schemes or projects that are set apart to ensure these people's basic rights. BRIDGE network works towards safeguarding five rights such as Right to land and housing, Right to education, Right to food, Rights of women and children and Right to health. BRIDGE network has its presence in 32 slums in the city of Bangalore. BRIDGE connects the people with government projects that are made for their holistic development.



On 29th January, 2014, 18 houses were demolished in Vinobha Nagar slum and 22 children were directly affected. As this was an un-notified slum they were asked to vacate their houses without prior notice primarily because according to the Supreme Court order houses above drainages had to be vacated. Families have been living on the drainage for many years and efforts have been made since 2010 to get the area declared as notified slum. Under the Bangalore Rights Initiative for Development and Gender Empowerment (BRIDGE) network and Bengaluru Slum Jenara Sanghatane, applications were forwarded to slum board at different intervals to get the area notified as slum which was followed by a protest. On 5th February, 2014 there was a meeting with the BBMP commissioner, Slum Board commissioner and Principle Secretary of Housing Board and it was agreed upon to allot houses to 34 families.

IN COLLABORATION WITH GOVERNMENT AND OTHERS

CHILDLINE

CHILDLINE is a 24*7 free emergency telephone helpline service for children in distress. It is a project of the Ministry of Women and Child Development and works in partnership with NGOs, Government and Corporate Sector. BOSCO is the collaborative organization of the CHILDLINE. BOSCO CHILDLINE is committed to respond to the CHILDLINE calls on 24*7 basis and intervene in crisis situations since 2002.

It also identifies high risk areas where the number of vulnerable children is high and reaches out to them. It also conducts awareness programme through media, both visual and print, in order to spread awareness on various child related issues and educate the public to care for the children in difficulties. CHILDLINE intervenes in cases of child labour, child marriage, abandoned children, sexual abuse, corporal punishment, school dropout children, begging children, etc.

Statistics of Call and Intervention Cases (2014-15)

Type of Calls	No. of Calls
Medical Help	241
Shelter	728
Repatriation	305
Protection from Abuse	2425
Parents Asking Help (Missing)	104
Emotional Support and Guidance	299
Information and Referral to Services	1647
Information about CHILDLINE and Volunteers	2904
Total	8653
Child Help Line Unrelated Calls	
Crank/Fun/Abusive	8310
Friendly	455
Wrong	23179
Silent	64146
One sided Communication	4456
Blank	43190
Follow-up	808
Phone testing	2273
Administrative	264
Personnel	188
Total	147269
Grand Total	155922



THE ULTIMATE RESCUE...

Child marriage, a social evil that children learn about in civics does not only take place in the tales narrated in the books or on the big screen but also takes place in reality. The marriage season being during the summer in our country and therefore child marriages are rampant during that time.

One such incident came to light when an anonymous call was received by CHILDLINE volunteers on 14th April, 2015 around 10 a.m. A minor girl aged sixteen was being married off to a boy aged twentyone. The caller gave information about a secret wedding plan. The information was immediately passed on to the District Child Protection Officer (DCPO) and the Special Juvenile Police Unit (SJPU).

Armed with the information, the team rushed to the venue to make an enquiry and carry out a further plan of action. On arrival, they noticed no major external signs of a marriage ceremony underway. When the groom's father was confronted, he was very nonchalant and gave a casual explanation; least realizing the seriousness of the offence he was committing. The minor bride-to-be in the meantime confirmed the news about the wedding which was scheduled for the next day at a specified venue. A CHILDLINE activist from BOSCO then came to the rescue during the events that followed after the revelation by the minor. The girl's parents denied any knowledge about their child's marriage ceremony. They informed that their daughter was in love with a boy and had eloped with him; and all this while they had been searching for her.

The CHILDLINE team of BOSCO explained to both the parties and their relatives the consequences of child marriage. The time of rescue being past midnight, the girl was taken to Vatsalya Bhavan. The following day she was produced before the Child Welfare Committee for further proceedings. The child help line number 1098 comes as a savior in such instances. Child marriages are easy to prevent in their initial stages than at the time of execution. Child marriage being a direct violation of child rights, its vital that one works towards putting an end to this social evil.

Foster Care

Foster care refers to a temporary arrangement for children who cannot live with their parents and are in a difficult period in their lives. These children are placed in to a ward, group home, or private home of a caregiver certified by the state.

BOSCO Foster Care works in collaboration with various Government departments, Government Homes and other NGOs. Other activities include identifying the potential foster parents, counseling them, identifying and preparing children for going into foster care, visiting homes of the potential foster parents, visiting children at school to ensure their well-being and growth as well as maintaining a systematic documentation. BOSCO provides foster care services such as individual and group foster care.



"My heart says a 'Big Thank You' to BOSCO. I was homeless and a 7th standard dropout in 2011. But with immense support, care and love BOSCO raised me up. Currently, I am doing my pre-degree course. BOSCO also nurtured and motivated me to explore my talent in sports and cultural events. I feel proud as I am in the state level hockey team now." – **Annappa, 18 years.**

Open Shelter

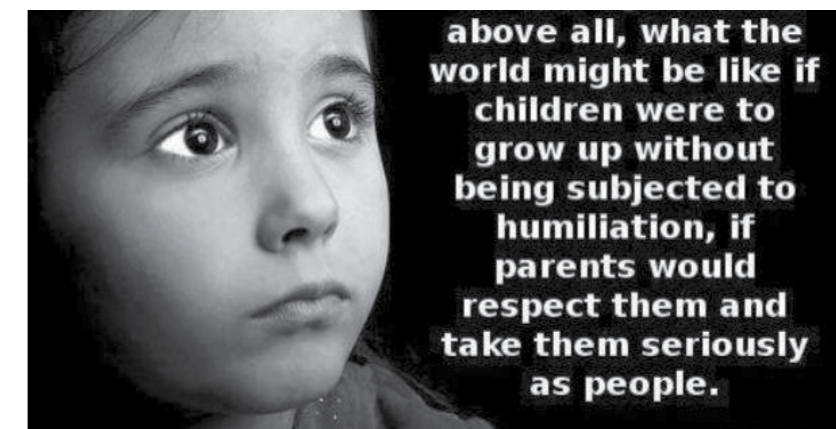
It is a programme for Integrated Child Protection Scheme in urban and semi-urban areas to provide care, support and rehabilitation for the children. Open shelter caters to children in need of care and protection like beggars, street and working children, rag pickers, orphaned, deserted and trafficked children particularly those without home and family ties since they are vulnerable to abuse and exploitation; especially children of sex workers and pavement dwellers.

The project provides shelter, nutrition, healthcare, sanitation and hygiene, safe drinking water, education and recreational facilities, protection against abuse and exploitation, enrolment in schools, vocational training and placement, health services, reducing drug & substance abuse and HIV/AIDS among street children.

ECCE

Early Childhood Care and Education (ECCE) is a project which aims to improve the quality and learning environment of children belonging to primary schools as well as ICDS (Anganwadi) centres. This project is carried out by BOSCO in partnership with 'Save the Children'. The title of the programme is "creating child friendly learning environment to support children's education in slums of Bengaluru Urban, Karnataka, India". The major objective of this project is to create child friendly learning environment which supports children in 24 ICDS (Anganwadi) centres and 60 government primary schools across 45 wards in the urban slums of Bengaluru.

"To me, BOSCO is like my mother because BOSCO fills the absence of my mother. It provides me motherly care, affection, love, joy and education. It focuses on children's holistic growth. I am very grateful to BOSCO, my home. My life is like a book and in that book BOSCO is a page consisting of sweet memories. I have learnt many things in life and they have helped me to look forward with hope and witness the reality of life. I believe that BOSCO will take care of deserving children like us by giving a beautiful shape to their future. BOSCO is doing a great job and I am thankful to BOSCO for sheltering me in a safe environment." – **Dhanalakshmi**



above all, what the world might be like if children were to grow up without being subjected to humiliation, if parents would respect them and take them seriously as people.

Child Safety Net (CSN)

The project 'Child Safety Net', for Vulnerable Children on the Streets of Bangalore, started on 1st January, 2015. The objective of the project is round the clock care and protection to children at risk; through the physical presence of the street educators/field animators in the most vulnerable pockets of Bangalore city patrolling on rescue vehicles. It focuses on rescue of vulnerable children besides bringing in public awareness. It also creates awareness and advocacy with various Government Departments and formation of caring communities.

Missing Child Bureau

BOSCO functions as the State Nodal Agency for the Missing Child Bureau (MCB) of the state of Karnataka. It works in collaboration with the Department of Women and Child Development and police in collecting and sharing information about missing and unaccompanied children by using latest technologies and strategies. MCB uses a web based technology (Home Link Software) to track and trace missing children. It also collaborates with NGOS in all the districts of the state of Karnataka who carry out missing complaint registration and other related works.

MORE THINGS ARE WROUGHT BY PRAYER THAN THIS WORLD DREAM OF.....

This adage proved true in the case of Nazria and Rubia, the younger siblings of Yousef, whose prayers were answered by the Almighty. The devoted prayers were to bring their lost brother, Yousef, home.

Prayers of little hearts reached heaven and brought back plenty of blessings. Nazria and Rubia's prayers were finally answered on the 16th May, 2015 when Yousef was rescued by BOSCO and handed over to CWC. Yousef lost his father at a young age, following which his mother, along with her children, moved in to live with her sister in K.R. Puram. Soon she found a job in Dubai as a caretaker and she left her three children in the custody of her sister. It was learnt through the counseling report of Yousef, as prepared by BOSCO staff, at the time of his rescue on 27th July, 2012, that there were issues faced by Yousef and his siblings at their Aunt's house. As per the report he and his siblings were subjected to domestic violence and abuse. Yousef's mother paid little heed to their sufferings and thereby, forcing the children to think that they were orphans. Yousef fled the pathetic situation seven times, leading a nomadic life, wandering aimlessly around cities and states. Yousef was referred to BOSCO on 27th July, 2012 to receive education under the SSA scheme. Yousef felt totally suffocated leading a disciplined life and could not adapt to the environment or concentrate on studies at the centre he was referred to. The freedom beyond BOSCO beckoned him and he fled from there on 15th September, 2014. A missing case was immediately lodged in the Chamrajpet police station following his escape. Although, all efforts to trace Yousef failed; his siblings did not lose heart nor did their trust in Allah waver. Their belief that the Almighty would one day direct their dear 'bhaiyya' home was strengthened with every prayer.

Three years went by and one day the BOSCO staff at the Bangalore city railway station rescued a 15 year old boy who turned out to be the long lost brother of Nazria and Rubia. He was thereafter produced before the CWC and a direct home enquiry was made by MCBDC on 12th June, 2015. Yousef's mother, who had returned from Dubai, met the MCBDC official Ms. Kanchana. His mother was in tears after hearing the news and informed the official that she had been searching for him since she returned back from Dubai.

On 18th June, when the news of Yousef's return reached his sisters, who were at a Madrasa, they immediately returned home to embrace and shower him with kisses; expressing their joy of his return. Since then, Yousef has taken admission in a Madrasa and lives happily with his mother and sisters. Yousef's tale reaffirms our belief in the Almighty and his providence.

Missing Children Complaints 2014-15

Sources	Boys	Girls	Total
Police	574	609	1183
Directly By Parents	47	03	50
Newspaper	03	02	05
CHB	32	00	32
Through Phone	04	00	04
NGOs	2540	35	2575
Total	3200	649	3849

Statistics of Unaccompanied Children 2014-15

Traced Missing Children		
Boys	Girls	Total
2716	324	3040
Yet To Be Traced		
Boys	Girls	Total
484	325	809

Note: Collected from Government Homes, NGOs, Police, Public, etc.

Action Taken

Source	Boys	Girls	Total
GO's			
A. CHB	332	00	332
B. CHG	00	183	183
MR Centre	36	00	36
Shishu Mandir	01	05	06
NGOs	6323	950	7273
Newspaper	09	03	12
Total	6701	1141	7842

Further Action Taken

Further Action	Boys	Girls	Total
Home Placement	5375	739	6114
Institutional Placement	923	298	1221
Runaway	143	19	162
Present	260	85	345
Total	6701	1141	7842

"One day when my mother fell seriously ill, my elder sister and I did not even have a single meal to eat and that was when I took to begging. Later, my elder sister asked me if I would like to join a hostel where I would be provided with three times a meal. I agreed and came to BOSCO Vatsalya Bhavan. Initially I was having a tough time adjusting and I was adamant that I wanted to go back to my family; but since I was loved and cared so much I felt that I should study well and pursue my goal of becoming a Doctor. I want to help the under privileged families with free treatment and medication."

-Vennila, 8 years.



Special Juvenile Police Unit

BOSCO through Special Juvenile Police Unit (SJPU) has been assisting the police in handling cases in the two divisions of Bangalore city- South and West Divisions covering 34 police stations. The primary objective of SJPU is to create a child friendly approach while dealing with the children involved in criminal offences and thereby, ensuring their rights are not breached at any stage of the legal procedure. BOSCO SJPU wing conducts various public awareness programmes to prevent crimes by children. These programmes include special training for police officials and counseling sessions for both children-charged with criminal offences and their parents. All serious cases are referred to Observation Home for further intervention by Juvenile Justice Board. BOSCO SJPU networks with various Government Departments and other NGOs.

Statistics of Cases Attended

Type of Cases	South Division	West Division	Total
Serious Cases	40	32	72
Non-serious Cases	54	71	125
Care and Protection	57	36	93
POCSO	41	23	64
Total	192	162	354
Male/Female			
Male	139	123	262
Female	53	39	92

Action Taken

Type of Action	South Division	West Division	Total
Observation Home	40	32	72
Referred to CHB	29	06	35
Referred to CHG	22	04	26
Direct Home Placement	43	48	91
DHP & PD	54	71	125
CWC	04	-	04
BY	-	01	01
Total	192	162	354

“BOSCO has given me lots of privilege in life. It has provided and is still providing good life to all the boys in the centre. My life is enriched with nourishing food, basic facilities and personal development. I am happy to be a part of BOSCO. I am thankful to BOSCO. I wish and pray that the good work which is carried out by BOSCO is extended to all the children in the street including the orphans.”

- Ajith

WHEN I HAVE FEARS THAT I MAY CEASE TO BE...

Seema's plight immediately brings the above quoted verses to mind. Sadness is what Seema was suffering from and this led to dejection and depression. Seema, a fifteen year old girl was rescued by BOSCO staff at the K.R. Puram Railway station on April 24th 2015. She was desolate and in tears when the staff first sighted her. During the enquiry, BOSCO staff was informed that she was waiting to accompany her parents to her relative's house. As the information given by her did not sound convincing, she was given a pep talk which made her confide in the staff that she had run away from home with the pure intention of putting an end to her life as she was constantly doubted by her elder sibling and subjected to mental torture. She was in the process of building up courage to take the extreme step when she was intervened by the BOSCO staff.

Seema was an outgoing child and mingled freely with children of her age; be it girls or boys. Her communication with boys was always doubted and looked down upon by her elder sister who spared no occasion to show her dislike and displeasure. A day before Seema was rescued, she was beaten black and blue for having engaged in a game of badminton with the neighborhood boys. This brutalism proved to be the final straw for Seema before she decided to take the extreme step. Unable to bear the constant mental and physical torture anymore, she came to the Railway station with the unholy intention to put the devious thought that was taking shape in her mind into action.

Glory is to the Almighty that he sent her a guardian angel in the form of the BOSCO staff. BOSCO team took her to the Railway Protection Force and informed her parents. Seema along with her parents was counseled and told how precious life is and that the ups and downs in life, seasoned and enhanced the taste of life by making one strong to face the challenges that life has to offer. She was advised to think positive. Seema's parents were instructed to show more understanding and were also told to advise their elder daughter to put a stop to the stress she was giving to Seema. Thus, a young life was saved on that fateful day.

Youth Parliament

Youth parliament is a meeting of all the inmates of the centre where leadership is taken by the youth themselves. In the meeting the office bearers are elected and the ordinary and simple issues of the centre are solved by the members. The meeting usually takes place once a month and all the members attempt to address the matters concerning the centre and their life there.

Psycho Social Interventions at the Government run Juvenile Homes

BOSCO works with children in need of care and protection and with children in Government Homes. As per the Juvenile Justice Act, children are grouped under two broad categories, namely, children in need of care and protection and children who come into conflict with the law. BOSCO reaches out to the children who are given shelter at the Government juvenile homes.

Government Juvenile Homes

Once children are placed in the Government children's home, periodic follow up is done by BOSCO. Special counseling sessions are planned for the needy to guide them towards needed changes in life. BOSCO also organizes cultural events and awareness programmes for these children.

BOSCO organized various cultural competitions for the deprived and destitute children, both boys and girls, in Government Homes on 22nd January, 2015. Various competitions such as singing, dancing, drawing, mime, street play, various party games, etc. were conducted and winners were awarded. This was a part of the month long talent enhancement programme of BOSCO's cultural fest.



ALL IS WELL THAT ENDS WELL...

On 14th of May, 2015, a fifteen year old boy named Maneesh was rescued by BOSCO staff at the Bangalore city railway station. Initial inquiry of the child revealed that he is as an orphan from the northern region of Karnataka, Hubli. But at the counseling session it was known that he had come to the city in search of a job.

Thereafter, following the protocol, he was referred to CWC for further legal proceedings. Dissatisfied by the information given by the child, MCBDC made yet another attempt to confirm the child's whereabouts. It was during the detailed counseling sessions that Maneesh spilt the beans and revealed the entire truth which had no likeness to the cooked up story. Maneesh was the eldest child of agriculturist parents from Pune, Maharashtra.

When he was addressed in Marathi by one of the MCBDC staff, Maneesh was elated and narrated his story that he had run away from home after stealing Rs. 500. Afraid of the consequences and the repercussions, he fled the place to land up in Hubli district of Karnataka, where he worked in a hotel as a table cleaner for three long years. Ms. Kanchana, a MCBDC official emphasized that speaking in Marathi with Maneesh was the key to his story.

On the same day, with the assistance of Maharashtra police, MCBDC was successful in tracing Maneesh's family. Hearing the news, the parents of Maneesh broke down with tears and joy. They immediately rushed to meet him. We were informed that three days after Maneesh's disappearance, the parents had lodged a complaint in the local police station. Missing news of their son was also published in the "PUNE ZILLA DAILY" newspaper on 10th October, 2012.

The parents appeared before CWC on 16th May, 2015 producing all the required documents along with the newspaper cutting to claim Maneesh and escorted him back home. Their happiness of receiving their lost child was immeasurable.

Dreams

is not what you see
in sleep

is the thing which
doesn't let you sleep

- A. P. J. Abdul Kalam

MAJOR EVENTS AND PROGRAMMES

Children's Day

BOSCO celebrated Children's Day with a lot of enthusiasm, energy and fanfare. The day was celebrated in Freedom Park, Gandhinagar and Smt. Umashree, Honorable Minister, Department of Women and Child Development, Government of Karnataka was the chief guest. The guest of Honor, H. Y. Vasanthkumar distributed prizes to the winners of the various competitions conducted on the occasion of the 25th anniversary of the declaration of United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC). Cine artist Meghana Goankar, who is also the ambassador of child rights and advocacy, presented Children's Award to the outstanding children from each centre of BOSCO, for their most appreciative all round performances during the year.



Independence Day Celebration

68th Independence Day of the country was celebrated with raising voices against the exploitation of children. The guests for the celebration were Mr. Alok Bajapai, CEO and M.D, Manipal Integrated Services; Mrs. Antra Bhargava, Board Advisor and Consultant of group CFO with Confident Investor; Master Bharath Kumar, State President of CREAM child rights clubs network and Kumari Prema from Rainbow home who represented the children were on the dais. Dignitaries and the audience pledged their unity against the rising number of child sexual abuse cases with their signatures. A Memorandum was submitted to the Minister of Women and Child Development by a child representative. Various cultural programmes highlighting the scars of the abuses suffered by the children were portrayed through dance and skit.



'Bangalore City Railway Station: a Role Model in Child Protection' says NCPDR

It was a moment of great satisfaction and pride when Bangalore Railway division was given the role model status in providing protection and rehabilitation for children at risk. While delivering a speech during the Child Protection Committee review meet held on 21st May 2015, at the Bangalore City Railway Station, Sri Asheem Srivatsava, IFS, member secretary of National Commission for Protection of Child Rights (NCPDR), New Delhi, mentioned that it is a significant attempt which should be adopted by all major railway stations across the country. The meeting was facilitated by Karnataka State Commission for Protection of Child Rights (KSCPCR) and BOSCO.

"I would impress upon the Railway Board to ensure Child Assistance Centres across the country, similar to those provided at the stations in Bengaluru, for children found alone in trains or in railway stations." - Sri Asheem Srivatsava, IFS.

The City Railway Station has been kind and generous enough to provide space with all amenities required for the rescued children absolutely free of cost on platform number 4.

Action/2015

Action/2015 was a global mass mobilization campaign requesting the Central Government to forward the representation of demands of the marginalized communities and development needs at the UN General Assembly which took place in September, 2014. It was a global movement to address insecurity, inequality and injustice in the post 2015 Development Agenda. In this context, BOSCO launched Action/2015 campaign along with a workshop for the slum children. The children signed thousands of postcards and mailed them to the Prime Minister, the message of which reached out to Lakhs of people. The post card campaign was conducted by BOSCO with the sole aim of encouraging the governmental institutions to safeguard children's rights. The campaign was organized as part of the global action/2015, announced by Malala while accepting the Nobel Peace Prize. Around 300 children gathered in Makkala Coota Park for this programme on 22nd May, 2015.



UNCRC Week Celebration

Celebration of the declaration of 25th year of The United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC) was held on 14th November in Freedom Park. BOSCO organized a week long child rights awareness programme with street plays and drawing competitions.

In 1989, governments worldwide promised all children the same rights by adopting UNCRC. The UNCRC is the basis for all of UNICEF's work. It is the most complete statement of children's rights ever produced and is the most widely ratified international human rights treaty in history. It also explains how adults and Governments must work together to ensure that all the children enjoy their rights.

Anti-Child Labour Week

Anti-child Labour Day awareness was held in the working areas of BOSCO laying importance on the ill effects of child labour. In different locations of the areas of Shivajinagar, K.R. Market and Gandhinagar street plays, awareness programme and door to door campaigns were organized. The area youth leaders addressed the public gathered for the awareness programme advising them to send their children to school. A signature campaign was also carried out during the event.

A memorandum with the signatures collected from the public was submitted to the Labour Commissioner and JLC Director Shri Srinivas as a request made to help eradicate child labour. As a result of the street play, 83 children from Vasanthanagar alone were either re-enrolled or newly enrolled to Vasanthanagar Government School.





Nine is Mine Campaign

'Nine is Mine' is a campaign started a decade back by Wada Na Todo Abhiyan to receive 9 percent of GDP promised by UPA Government (6 percent for education and 3 percent for health) that had not yet materialized. The international community is observing the 25th anniversary of UNCRC, a four days workshop on 'make real my rights' organized by PRATYEK in collaboration with UNICEF and 'Nine is mine'. The objective of the campaign was to train children to do social audit in their respective places across India and collect these reports and send it to the United Nation for the Universal Periodic Review (UPR) of India, with the sole purpose of making the UN body aware of how far India has been successful or how far behind it is in implementing the UNCRC and its recommendations. A total of 120 children and 40 coordinators attended the workshop conducted in Don Bosco, Okhala, Delhi from 17th to 20th July, 2014. Children from 22 states and 3 Union Territories were present. BOSCO was a vibrant participant at this campaign.

Master Bharath Awarded

Master Bharath Kumar, a boy from BOSCO, studying in 9th standard was awarded 'Rice Advocacy and Justice Awards', a National Justice and Advocacy Honour by Nine is Mine Campaign. Children from across India were eligible for the award for their outstanding contribution towards Justice and Advocacy. Bharath Kumar was recognized for his active involvement in advocacy campaigns led by Child Rights Education and Action Movement (CREAM) and Karnataka Child Rights Observatory. He was awarded with a citation and a cash prize of Rs.10, 000. We heartily congratulate Bharath and wish him the very best in all his future endeavours as a child ambassador and activist of child rights.

Anti-Begging Campaign

The awareness which rolled out on Thursday, 8th November, 2014 reached out to more than 40,000 people in and around the city in a span of two days. Dressed in colorful costumes, 20 staff and volunteers of BOSCO distributed pamphlets relating to information on anti-child begging and CHILDLINE number 1098. BOSCO took up the initiative to hold the campaign after observing the increasing number of child beggars in the city. A total of 40 child beggars have been rescued and rehabilitated by the BOSCO team in and around the city in the previous year.

Discussion of JJ Act Amendment

BOSCO in collaboration with the Department of Women and Child Development (DWCD) and other Child Care Institutions of the Government and private along with 50 child rights activists from the government schools organized a one day consultation at BOSCO Mane since the Juvenile Justice Act of 2000 amended on 2006 is going for repeal and re-enactment within a few months. The group discussion by children repeatedly highlighted the importance of creating safe and secure environments for them. It was insisted upon that the Child Welfare Committee (CWC) and the police stations need to be more child friendly and provide enough room for children to ease their trauma.

State Level RTE Consultation

A state level consultation on the topic "A child's Right to school" was organized by BOSCO in collaboration with Azim Premji University to understand the status of implementation of the RTE Act in the state of Karnataka since its inception in 2009. The consultation critically analyzed the pros and cons of the Act and the impact it has made on the education system in the state in terms of quality of education for all children. The consultation was addressed by experts from the field of education, officials from education department, Members of Child Rights Commission, RTE activists, voluntary organizations, local self-government, SDMC members, parents and children. The key speaker of the consultation was Mr. Ashok Agarwal, Lawyer, Supreme Court and President of All India Parents Association.



Massive Protest against Child Abuse

In the wake of the increased incidents of child abuse, more than 400 children gathered in front of the Town Hall on 25th July, 2014 to showcase their anger against the injustice done to children and the abuse they are subjected to. These children, students of Government schools hail from 25 slums spread across the city of Bangalore. They expressed through their Child Rights Club leaders the need to come together and show deeper concern and compassion for their friends who were victims of various kinds of exploitations.

International Missing Children Day is Observed

International Missing Children's day was observed in the city by creating awareness in public places and conducting door to door campaigns covering 1,200 odd families in Gulbarga Colony, Virat Nagar, Bommanahalli area, Bangalore from where large number of children are found missing. It was a joint venture of the Madiwala Police in association with BOSCO.

Gulbarga Colony in Virat Nagar is known for its child dropouts, child labourers, addicted and missing children. Police along with BOSCO team visited houses in the locality and educated adults and children about CHILDLINE 1098 service and how its service could be availed when children are found missing from their area. Awareness was given on the process of lodging a missing complaint and how lost children could be traced if prompt action is taken.



Way of the Future: Soft Skill Training

In 2015, BOSCO in collaboration with 'Creating Futures', conducted soft skill training for students from the surrounding area who are attending four months computer program offered by BOSCO Mane. The training was a mixture of classroom presentations, visual aid activities, demonstrations etc. The program was based on experiential learning principles where participants could practically experience what they learn and how they could use the workshop to enhance their skills.



Mass Rescue from a Food Processing Unit

BOSCO CSN team joined hands with Anti Human Trafficking Unit (AHTU) and rescued 34 child labourers in the age group of 13-17 from a food processing unit in Taverekere and Seagehalli, Bangalore. The team after receiving a complaint from a news reporter undertook a spot study and then executed the rescue operation on 29th April, 2015. The children were brought to the food processing unit by brokers who collected a fee for each child and the children were paid a minimal amount to work for nearly 10 hours a day. The children were engaged in cleaning and drying raw materials, loading and unloading boxes, labeling etc. A total of 23 girls and 11 boys below the age of 16 were employed violating the provisions of the apprenticeship act. The factory supervisor and one of the contractors were arrested and a case of bonded labour was filed against them under section 370 of IPC, by AHTU. The rescued children were taken to the nearest Primary Health Centre for medical examination and later produced before the Child Welfare Committee for rehabilitation.



Summer Camps

Week long summer camps were organized in Jally Mohalla, Vinobhanagar and Shivajinagar areas of Bangalore. A total of 200 children participated in the camp of which 110 children were girls and 90 were boys. The camps were conducted during April-May, 2015 and children were taken to Bannerghatta national park, Bangalore at the end of the camp to gain an exposure and to educate themselves.

The camp encompassed motivational and moral education classes, crafts, sports and cultural competitions. It was an opportunity for children to showcase their talents and gain recognition amongst their peers. Games and sports were conducted to build self-esteem in children, develop positive thinking, communication skills, leadership qualities and clarity in expression and social responsibilities. Different topics were covered such as child rights, child sexual abuse, good touch and bad touch, child protection mechanisms, leadership, duties of children, social life, etc.





Child Assistance Centre opened at BMTC Majestic Bus Station

A child assistance centre to cater to the various needs of the children found in and around Bangalore city bus terminals and to prevent all forms of child abuse through awareness programme was opened at the 4th platform of Majestic bus station by Sri. H. Nabhiraja Jain, Chairman, BMTC along with officials from Women and Child Welfare Department and Police Officials. It will proactively work towards creating child friendly places in the BMTC premises.

It is estimated that 5 to 10 children land in the city on a daily basis through BMTC buses either unaccompanied by adults or after having lost their way while travelling with adults.

The records of the previous year show that 1,663 children from the bus stand premises were rescued which reveals why such a child assistance centre is necessary.

The CAC operates 24x7 assisting children especially who are at risk in and around BMTC Majestic Bus Station. An audio CD explaining the child line number 1098 as well as how a helping hand can be extended when an unaccompanied child is found in and around the premises was released on the occasion. The message will be broadcasted periodically from the control room of the BMTC.

The story of a 17 year old boy, namely Raghavendra, was very inspiring. "I came to Bangalore in search of a job, leaving my family behind on November 23rd, 2014. After reaching the BMTC Bus Station, I was confused and did not want to return back home. As I was weeping and unable to make a decision, it was then one of the BOSCO staff who came to my rescue. I would have been lost, if BOSCO staff had not spoken to me on that day. I am happy to have met BOSCO staff and they have given me a new life. In BOSCO, I am learning carpentry and have started to dream of opening a business of my own" - Raghavendra



Karnataka State Level Consultation on Missing Children

One day State Level Consultation was held on the topic "Missing Children: Where are They?" to critically analyze the issues related to children going missing along with the existing mechanism used for tracing the missing children. It was attended by the Directors of the Missing Child Bureau of all the Districts in the State of Karnataka. The programme was jointly organized by Karnataka State Commission for Protection of Child Rights (KSCPCR) and BOSCO, the Nodal Agency of Missing Child Bureau.

The following facts were presented during the programme:

- Every hour 12 children are going missing in our country.
- In a year more than 1 Lakh children are found missing.
- 55 percent of the missing children are girls.
- In Karnataka, over the years, the rate of missing girls is slightly higher than missing boys.
- 45 percent of all missing children have remained untraced.
- Not even 50 percent of missing cases are reported.
- Tracing becomes difficult as parents fail to file missing complaints of their children with proper identification documents.

The consultation ended with a firm determination to work with dedication for the cause of missing children through effective and modern strategies and thereby, putting an end to the pains and sufferings of the parents as well as that of the children who long for love and care of their parents.

Number of Missing Children Complaint Received in Karnataka (2014)

Total Number of Missing Complaints received in the State of Karnataka in the year 2014	5206
Boys	3791
Girls	1415
Traced Children	
Boys	2707
Girls	632
Total Traced	3339
Untraced Children	
Boys	1084
Girls	783
Total Untraced	1867

BOSCO and YaR

Headquartered in Delhi, Don Bosco National Forum for the Young at Risk commonly called YaR is a National Network of Don Bosco organizations in India that are committed to the care and protection of the children/youth who are at risk. The term 'Young at Risk' embraces specific categories of children – such as street and vagrant children, runaways, unaccompanied children, child labourers, school dropouts, children of migrant manual labourers, refugees, etc. BOSCO is an active member of the YaR network and joins hands with the YaR National Office to serve young at risk in various ways.

Don Bosco YaR Forum has developed a new web portal, Child MISS (Management Information System and Services) to implement the concept of child care and protection system. BOSCO, Bangalore has been appointed as the Nodal Agency by Don Bosco YaR network in implementing the Child MISS program in the state of Karnataka and Kerala.

Another National YaR network programme in which BOSCO is part of is Participatory Action Research (PRA). This is a training and research programme to support YaR centres to be effective in caring for children with behavioral difficulties.



Talent Enhancement Programme

BOSCO conducted 'Talent Enhancement Month' to give rescued children and marginalized children from various corners of the city a chance to discover their hidden potentials and talents in every field. The month long programme was intended to build up confidence in the children, instill a healthy team spirit and make them aware of their rights and thus, helping them overcome the struggles and traumas of their lives. Competitions were conducted under cultural and sports categories and the winners were awarded. The programme culminated on 31st January, on the feast of Don Bosco- father and friend of youth, the patron of BOSCO, who worked tirelessly for the welfare and betterment of children and youth of his time. In the valedictory function Chief Guest John Rohde, Consulate, German Federal Republic inspired the children and shared stories about his hard work and how he attained success in life. Mr. S.N Sidharamappa, Superintendent of Police, GRP; Mr. Chandrasekhar, Director Integrated Child Protection Scheme (ICPS); Mrs. Divya Narayanappa, District Child protection Officer; Dr. Kanthraj, RMO, Victoria Hospital and Mr. Sunny K.L, Cine artist were the guests of honor.

Volunteering

BOSCO Bangalore through its department of Human Resource is doing a wonderful program called "volunteer management". BOSCO is recognized and known far and wide; and its volunteers coming from corporate, educational institutions, religious institutions and foreign countries. The presence of these volunteers in BOSCO programs like early intervention surveys, street presence programs, public awareness programs, fund raising, research and the other support programmes in the different rehabilitation processes make BOSCO activities more vibrant. During the reporting period BOSCO's human resource provided opportunities to 285 volunteers to serve. BOSCO would like to thank the schools and colleges, religious congregations and the individual volunteers for teaming up with them for the cause of changing the society. Furthermore, the 'motivating presence' of the young and cheerful faces have positive impacts on BOSCO's services for the young.



Corporate Volunteers	27
Religious Volunteers	54
Congregations	
1. St Peter's Pontifical Seminary, Malleshwaram	7. Franciscan Servants of Mary (FSM)
2. Sisters of Mary Immaculate, Provincial House	8. Holy Spirit Sisters, Bannerghatta Road
3. JMJ Sisters	9. ICM Formation House
4. Carmelite Sisters of St. Teresa (CSST)	10. Devarathayi, Philosophy House
5. St. Damien Seminary (Sacred Hearts of Jesus & Mary)	11. Mount Saint Joseph
6. De Paul Institute of Religion and Philosophy	

Foreign Volunteers	10
Countries	
1. Australia	3. Germany
2. France	4. Austria

Student Volunteers	194
Institutions	
1. Bangalore University	18. KLE Society Law College, Bangalore
2. Montfort College, Bangalore	19. Sacred Heart College, Bangalore
3. St. Joseph College, Bangalore	20. Jain College, Bangalore
4. Mastery College of Architecture, Hyderabad	21. INIFD, Bangalore
5. St Paul Institute of Science & Technology, Ernakulum	22. Jindal Global Law School, Haryana
6. Calicut University	23. Jain University, Bangalore
7. Vimala College, Thrissur	24. Bishop Cotton Women's Christian Law College, Bangalore
8. Christ University, Bangalore	25. BMS College of Engineering, Bangalore
9. Central University of Karnataka	26. Sri Nagarthamma College of Nursing, Bangalore
10. Goutham College of Science, Bangalore	27. Alliance University, Bangalore
11. St George College, Bangalore	28. Dayanand Sagar University, Bangalore
12. Ambedkar College, Bangalore	29. Azim Premji University, Bangalore
13. Indian Institute of Journalism, Hubli	30. KIIT University, Orissa
14. BCM College, Kottayam	31. M.S University of Boroda
15. Bangalore City College	32. St. Joseph's College of Arts and Science, Bangalore
16. Tumkur University	33. NLUO, Orissa
17. Gurushree College of Commerce and Social Work, Tumkur	

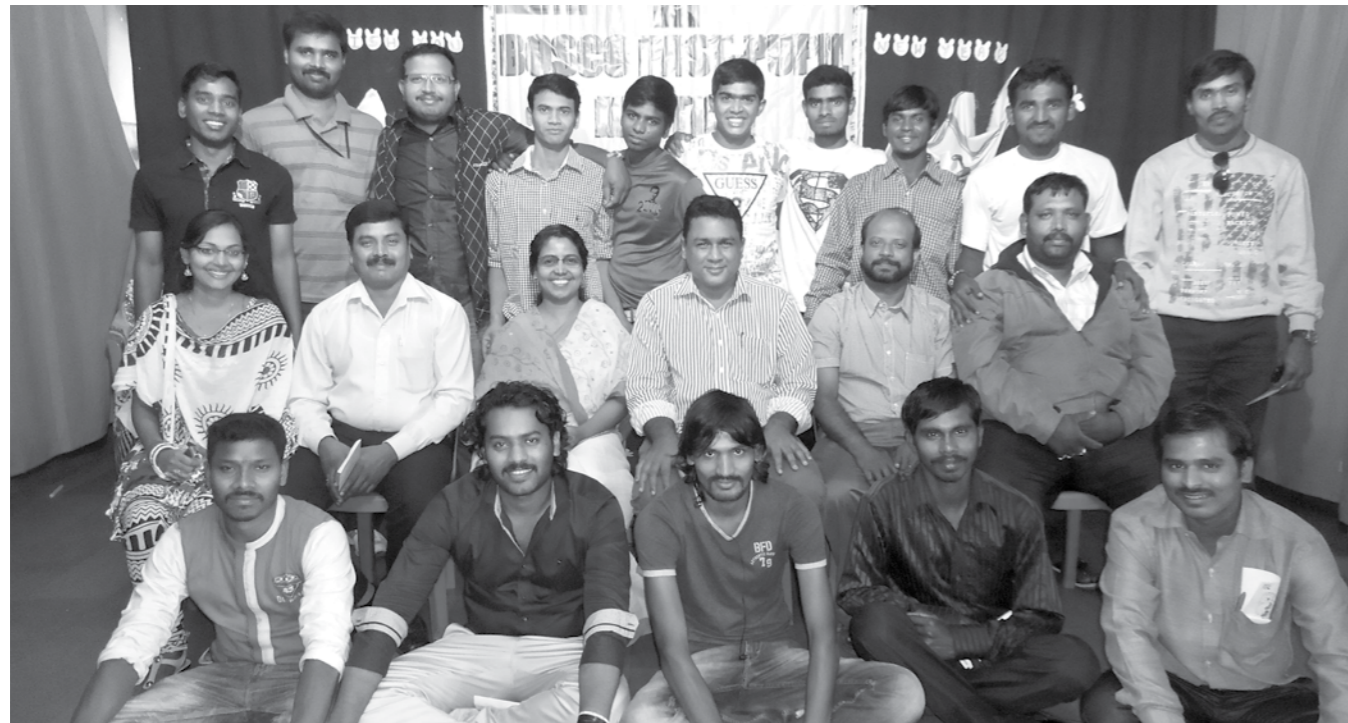


BOSCO Past Pupil Movement

With a unique objective in mind BOSCO has a past pupil movement to organize the young who benefitted through the services of BOSCO. It is a forum for them to come together and strengthen each other and also to join with the efforts of BOSCO to care for the marginalized young. January 1st is the day on which they come together for their annual get together.

“We are happy that we have such a platform through BOSCO Past Pupil Movement to express our gratitude for what we have received and to give to those who deserve our support” - **Manthesh**.

“It feels like being back home, as if a child is coming to see his mother. I have always been waiting for the day when we all will see each other in our old home, i.e. BOSCO Yuvakendra”- **Vinod**, former student.



“You can do nothing with children unless you win their confidence and love by bringing them into touch with yourself, by breaking through all the hindrances that keep them at a distance.

We must accommodate ourselves to their tastes, we must make ourselves like them.”

St. John Bosco

Research and Documentation

BOSCO's National Research and Documentation (NRD) has been instituted to take up systematic data collection, scientific documentation and research and publications of the materials of BOSCO. Reports from all the centres are collected periodically as well as photos, videos, etc. of major events conducted by BOSCO are preserved in NRD. The department also has remarkably maintained information on child data of the last three decades.

It has a library where books, journals, research papers, case studies and other private circulations on child-related articles are preserved for reference. Besides managing BOSCO website, updating and uploading reports on social media, NRD also coordinates the publication of newsletters, annual report and researches.

PUBLICATIONS

“Contemporary perspective of Children in Conflict with Law: A Study from Bangalore City”

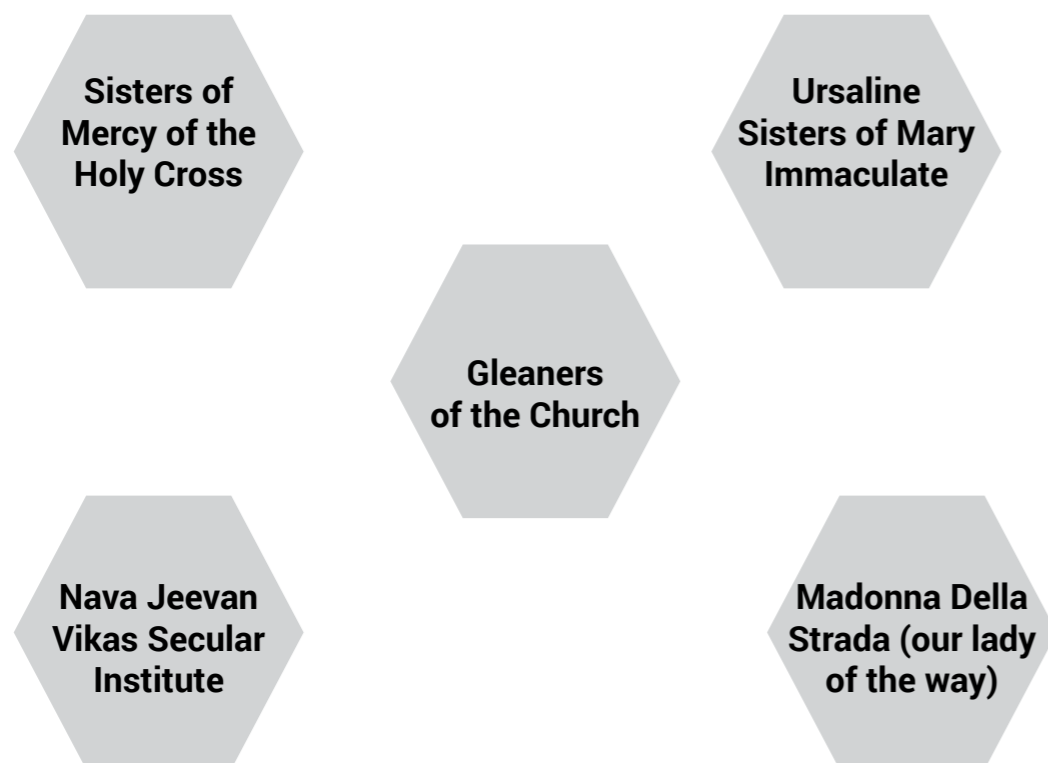
In the present scenario where countless debates are happening concerning the children who come into conflict with the law, BOSCO released the book titled “Contemporary perspective of Children in Conflict with Law: A study From Bangalore City”. The study takes a peep into the ground realities of the world of children and helps in framing proper perspectives that aim to bring a positive change in them.

“Foster Family Renewed Hope and a New Life”

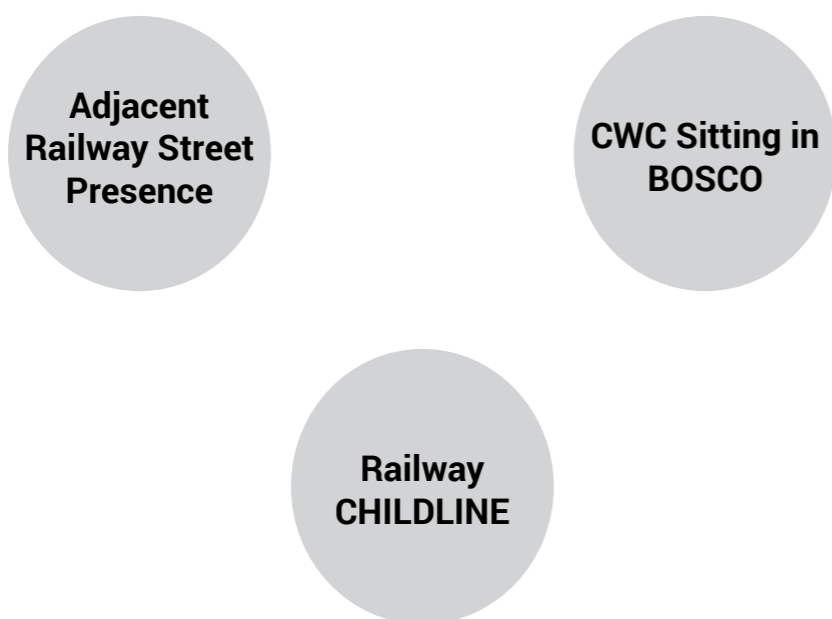
“Foster Family Renewed Hope and a New Life: A Study on the Foster Care Practice in India” is a complete guide and an edifying reference on foster care services in India. It is an in-depth research that probes all aspects of alternative, non-institutional forms of child care with special reference to foster care.



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Plans for the Future



AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS OF BOSCO

SI No.	Award/Recognition	Year
01	Rotary Community Service Award: Fr. Varghese Pallipuram, the Executive Director of BOSCO, has been honoured in August 1990, for his noble work by Rotary Bangalore	1990
02	Special Police Officer's Badge: The Special Police Officer's badge (1992) to 5 staff members of BOSCO and appointment of an A.C.P. at Police Commissioner's office and Sub Inspectors (1991) in all the police stations to deal with cases pertaining to street children, as a result of BOSCO's collaboration with the Police Department	1992
03	Bheedhi Bhagya Award: Fr. George Kollashany was honoured with the Bheedhi Bhagya award by the Karnataka Government in 1992	1992
04	Bravery Award: Master Santhosh received the Bravery Award in 1994 from Mr. Kurshid Alam Khan, the Honourable Governor of Karnataka	1994
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07	Makkala Kalyana Rajya Prashasthi Award: The State Award, Makkala Kalyana Rajya Prashasthi, was received from the Women and Child Welfare Department of Karnataka for being the best NGO in the State for child welfare activities	2000
08	Best Child Artist Award: BOSCO child Manjunath received the Best Child Artist Award (2001)	2001
09	Makkala Mitra Award: BOSCO received the Makkala Mitra Award from the Women and Child Welfare Department of Karnataka for the year 2004 and 2005	2004 and 2005
10	Kempe Gowda Award: The Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Pallike (BBMP) recognized BOSCO for its immense service towards street children and child laborers in the Bangalore Metro, by awarding the Kempe Gowda Award to the Institute	2007
11	Rotary award: for the Service of Excellence	2009
12	Kempe Gowda Award: For Best Social Worker	2011
13	Special Recognition: from Department of Women and Child Development for initiating begging child survey and rescue mission in collaboration with Police Department and net working NGOs	2012
14	Namma Bengaluru Award (Finalist).	2012
15	Global Achievers Foundation Award 2013 for the outstanding achievements, services and contributions	2013

FINANCIAL REPORT 2014-2015

INCOME	AMOUNT
Opening Balance	32447837.24
Foreign Contribution	6591192.65
Local Contribution	7547895.46
Projects	32641429.64
Government Grants	4159101.00
Bank Interest	143371.00
Total	83530827.00

EXPENSES	AMOUNT
Street Presence : 24/7 Child Assistance and Rescue	5145689.00
Training and Advocacy	1458954.00
CHILDLINE (1098) Services	1840000.00
Family Reunification and Follow Up	3565478.00
Maintenance of Rescued Children	7045986.00
Higher Education of the Rescued Children	2924784.00
Vocational Training to the Underprivileged Youth, Job Placement, After Care Programme	4465874.00
Talent Enhancement and Cultural Programme	1011455.58
Health Care	3049238.00
Awareness Creation on Child Rights in the Schools/Colleges/Public places, etc.	1546589.00
Piloting Alternative Form of Care in India	6056894.00
Empowerment of Slum Women and Education of Slum Children	7364574.00
Child Protection, Child Dignity and Education of Urban Poor Children of Bangalore's Selected Slums	1548954.00
Staff Salary, Capacity Building and Welfare	5564514.00
Closing Balance	30941843.41
Total	83530827.00

DONATION RECEIVED IN KIND	APPROXIMATE VALUE
Food and Provision	1012450.00
Clothes	290450.00
Furniture	101000.00
Sports Article	22130.00
Computer and Accessories	520000.00
Book and Stationeries	235000.00
Total	2181030.00

WE EXTEND OUR HEARTFELT GRATITUDE TO...

1.	Accenture	37.	National Public School
2.	Action Aid	38.	Partnership Foundation
3.	Adobe	39.	Pieter Van Forest Foundation
4.	Aircel	40.	Pratham Motors
5.	APCO	41.	PVF
6.	ASMOAF	42.	Radio City
7.	Bambino Baby Shop	43.	RAJA Foundation
8.	Bangalore Turf Club	44.	Regus Business Centre Pvt. Ltd
9.	Benola Foundation	45.	R. Jhunjhunwala Foundation
10.	Bishop Cotton School	46.	Rotary Trust
11.	BNM Institute of Technology	47.	Save the Children
12.	BONNE Germany	48.	Sitaram Jindal Foundation
13.	BREADS	49.	Sophia High School
14.	Charity Aid Foundation (CAF)	50.	Support.com
15.	Claud Marion Foundation	51.	Symbiosis Institute of Business Management
16.	CRY	52.	TDH
17.	Dr. Seven and Team	53.	TESCO
18.	ETM	54.	Urology Research and Philanthropy
19.	Federal Bank Limited	55.	Voluntary Association For Social Action
20.	Garden City College	56.	We Kare
21.	Give India	57.	XL Catlin in India
22.	Global Giving	58.	Asha and Family
23.	Goldman Sachs Services Pvt. Ltd.	59.	Mr. Ankur Sibal
24.	Hofstee Foundation	60.	Mr. Arul Das
25.	Hyatt Bangalore M.G. Road	61.	Mr. Pragnijit Dutharoy
26.	Impulsis	62.	Mr. Sandeep Singhal
27.	Indiranagar Rotary Trust	63.	Mrs. Sheela
28.	July Systems and Technologies	64.	Ms. Silvy
29.	Jyothi Nivas College	65.	Ms. Sohini
30.	Kasturba Road Business Centre Pvt. Ltd.	66.	Mrs. Sunitha
31.	Kinder Mission Werk	67.	Su Yin Jean Pierre and Alex
32.	Lunar's Bags and Footwear	68.	Mr. Narasimha
33.	Microsoft	69.	Dr. P.N. Shankar
34.	Mount Carmel College	70.	Mrs. Valli Elizebeth
35.	MSI Services Pvt. Ltd.	71.	German Government
36.	Music Broadcast		

BOSCO STATISTICS OVER THE YEARS!

Year	No. of Children		Total Number	Home Placement	Room Placement	Job Placement	Sent to Other Institutions (including BOSCO Centres)			Vocational Training		Health Care	
	Old	Fresh					BM	BYK	OI	HC	OMC		
1980-05	18847	34781	53628	19398	407	2148	3715	2990	669	2390	5164	32591	
2005-06	871	3392	4263	1928	98	109	458	312	342	239	30	1127	
2006-07	761	4277	5038	2312	22	134	1807	482	540	222	331	1127	
2007-08	663	3892	4555	2200	43	90	1551	633	834	131	367	1607	
2008-09	691	5922	6613	3527	30	141	1796	572	843	128	167	1281	
2009-10	521	6445	6966	4083	27	85	1899	778	939	137	352	1068	
2010-11	208	7186	7394	5070	18	115	2342	866	153	174	359	1699	
2011-12	374	6932	7306	5176	26	140	1891	1150	1228	182	393	3574	
2012-13	218	5310	5528	4027	36	42	994	439	1024	171	412	1886	
2013-14	317	6167	6484	4862	18	17	1003	423	1290	187	585	5449	
2014-15	295	7318	7613	5603	16	108	370	395	1016	121	713	2741	
Total	23766	91622	115388	58186	741	3129	17826	9040	8878	4082	8873	54150	

BM - BOSCO MANE
 BYK - BOSCO YUVAKENDRA
 OI - OTHER INSTITUTIONS
 HC - HEALTH CARE
 OMC - OTHER MEDICAL CARE

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BOSCO GOES PLACES

INDIAN EXPRESS
Rise in Number of Kids Being Abandoned

DECCAN HERALD
Most child offenders lived with parents, finds study

THE HINDU
STUDY CONDUCTED ON CHILDREN IN CONFLICT WITH THE LAW
'PEER INFLUENCE IS THE BIGGEST FACTOR'

DECCAN Chronicle
Childline stops three child marriages in as many days

THE HINDU
402 CHILDREN RESCUED IN A MONTH

THE HINDU
9-YR-OLD GIRL FORCED TO BEG

THE HINDU
Child helpline, BOSCO receive 20-30 phone calls about child beggars every day
Children drugged, made to beg: NGO

THE HINDU
Nine-year-old found begging, rescued

STREET PRESENCE
BOSCO's Innovative Approach to Working with Children On The Street

GLOW IN THE HORIZON

WORKING WITH CHILDREN AT RISK
Innovative, Indigenous and Comprehensive Approaches for Practice

Contemporary Perspective of Children in Conflict with Law
A Study on the Practice of Foster Care

BUDDHIVANTHA
A non-conventional Education Programme for street and working children
Prepared by Meera Pillai
Edited by G. Kulkarny

PUBLICATIONS OF BOSCO

‘That they may have life
Life in all its fullness.’

