



BEST PRACTICE 1

‘Share and Care’

An initiative of

Sree Narayana College, Kollam, Kerala

AIMS AND OBJECTIVES – SHARE AND CARE

- To provide mid-day meal to a minimum of 50 most needy students per day
- To give financial assistance to socially and economically backward students and staff to meet medical exigencies
- To facilitate possible welfare measures for deserving meritorious students who live on the edge of life
- To extend emotional support and achievement motivation to the students who hail from the lower strata of society

CONTEXT THAT INITIATED THAT PRACTICE

- Majority of the students who are admitted in our college are mostly from underprivileged families of socially and economically backward areas.
- On close observation of the improvised daily living conditions of these students, we found that they encounter untold difficulties to meet the basic needs of their life; the prominent being the mid-day meal.
- Considering the pathetic situation, all the faculties of our college unanimously decided to pool in a required amount in order to offer a helping hand.
- In this circumstance, the practice named “Share-and-Care” came into effect in our college.
- In addition, a thought arouse to increase the fund so as to help teaching and non teaching staff in some emergency situations.
- “Share-and-Care” started its functioning as a joint initiative of the teaching and non teaching staff in association with the alumni.

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- **Mid-day Meal Scheme-** An effort to furnish students hailing from impoverished backgrounds with wholesome sustenance.
- **Books and Study Materials-** Benevolent efforts have been undertaken to provide books and study materials to needy students.
- **Financial Assistance** - Share and care provide a financial assistance of Rs.1000/- each to three needy students from every department of the college
- **Emergency Financial Support** - Offered monetary support in cases of medical emergency to students and their families hailing from indigent families. Our benevolent services are further extended to contractual teachers as well.

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- **Flood Relief Support** - During the devastating floods that struck Kerala in 2017 and 2019, the Share and Care team actively collected clothing and essential provisions for the flood-affected individuals, which were then efficiently distributed to the beneficiaries.
- **Covid-19 pandemic Relief Support** - Amidst the unprecedented turmoil of the Covid-19 pandemic, the team extended generous support in the form of both financial aid and technological aid to those students who were in dire need. In particular, they went above and beyond to ensure that students who lacked access to mobile phones were not left behind, by providing them with the necessary equipment to facilitate uninterrupted learning.

AMOUNT SPEND

YEAR	AMOUNT SPEND (RS)
2017-18	5,27,770
2018-19	8,94,350
2019-20	7,05,671
2020-21	4,76,765
2021-22	7,25,401

EVIDENCE OF SUCCESS

- The “Share and Care” programme has been operational in the college still now with the same enthusiasm since its inception.
- Moreover, a close monitoring of the efficacy of the mid-day meal facility provided to the students throws light on more than fifty students becoming its beneficiaries every academic year.
- The construction of houses for the poor in association with NSS, distribution of study materials, and provision of wheel chair facilities for the handicapped have enabled students to fulfil their academic carrier.

THANK YOU!