## **ANNUAL REPORT**

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#### **About Clothes Box Foundation**



The Clothes Box Foundation is a nonprofit organization dedicated to making a positive impact on communities by distributing clothes to those in need. Recognizing the importance of clothing as a basic necessity and a means of self-expression, the foundation strives to empower individuals and families by providing them with access to clean, quality clothing. The primary mission of the Clothes Box Foundation is to alleviate the hardships faced by underprivileged individuals and communities by ensuring they have appropriate clothing to meet their basic needs.

Beyond providing clothing, the foundation aims to empower individuals and foster a sense of dignity and self-worth. By offering clothing options that align with personal preferences and cultural sensitivities, the organization respects the diversity and individuality of the recipients, ensuring that they can select clothing that suits their style and identity.

The Clothes Box Foundation's impact extends beyond the provision of clothing. By meeting this fundamental need, the organization helps individuals enhance their self-esteem, access educational and employment opportunities, and integrate into society more effectively. By collaborating with local partners and volunteers, the foundation strives to reach as many underserved communities as possible, providing them with the clothing resources necessary for their well-being.

### A note from the Founder

Dear Supporters,

I am incredibly grateful to have this opportunity to address you as the founder of the Clothes Box Foundation. It is with immense pride and joy that I reflect on the journey we have embarked upon to make a positive impact on the lives of those in need through clothing distribution.

When I founded the Clothes Box Foundation, my vision was to create an organization that not only provided clothing to the needy but also empowered individuals and communities. I firmly believe that clothing is not just a basic necessity, but a powerful tool that can transform lives, restore dignity, and inspire self-confidence.

Throughout our journey, we have witnessed the profound impact that a simple act of providing clean, quality clothing can have on individuals and families. We have seen children's faces light up with joy when they receive their first new outfit, and adults gain a newfound sense of self-worth when they can dress professionally for a job interview. These moments affirm our purpose and drive us to work tirelessly towards our mission.

None of our achievements would have been possible without the unwavering support of our dedicated volunteers, donors, and community partners. Your contributions, whether through clothing donations, financial support, or your time and expertise, have been the lifeblood of our organization. Together, we have been able to reach those who are often overlooked and marginalized, offering them hope and a chance for a better future.

As we move forward, we remain committed to constantly improving and expanding our reach. We will continue to forge partnerships with local communities, shelters, and social service agencies to ensure that our efforts are targeted and effective. We will also strive to promote sustainable practices, ensuring that we minimize waste and maximize our impact on both the lives of individuals and the environment.

I invite you to join us on this incredible journey of compassion, generosity, and empowerment. Together, we can create a world where everyone has access to clean, appropriate clothing, and where no one feels left behind. Whether you choose to donate, volunteer, or spread the word about our cause, your contribution matters.

Thank you for your continued support and belief in the mission of the Clothes Box Foundation. Together, we can make a difference, one piece of clothing at a time.

Sajan Veerr Abrol Founder and Chairman Trustee

## Clothes distribution in rural villages

The Clothes Box Foundation understands that remote villages often face unique challenges in accessing basic necessities, including clothing. With this in mind, the foundation has made it a priority to distribute clothes to remote villages, ensuring that even the most isolated communities have access to suitable clothing. Through collaborations with local leaders, community organizations, and grassroots initiatives, the foundation identifies these underserved villages and tailors their distribution efforts to meet the specific needs and cultural preferences of each community.

The distribution process involves collecting donated clothing and organizing it according to size, gender, and climate suitability. The Clothes Box Foundation then mobilizes volunteers who travel to these remote villages, braving difficult terrains and limited infrastructure to bring the much-needed clothing directly to the community members. This hands-on approach allows the foundation to engage with the villagers, understand their unique challenges, and foster a sense of connection and solidarity.

By providing clothing to remote villages, the Clothes Box Foundation not only addresses a fundamental need but also uplifts these communities in numerous ways. Access to clean and appropriate clothing enhances the villagers' self-esteem and overall well-being, promoting a sense of dignity and pride. Moreover, having suitable clothing enables individuals to engage in economic activities, attend social gatherings, and participate more fully in community life. Through these efforts, the foundation strives to empower remote villages, fostering resilience and self-sufficiency within these often marginalized communities.





The Clothes Box Foundation is dedicated to ensuring that no school child goes without appropriate clothing. Recognizing that clothing plays a crucial role in a child's self-esteem and academic success, the foundation has taken the initiative to distribute clothes to school children in need. Through partnerships with local schools, social service agencies, and community organizations, the foundation identifies children who lack access to suitable clothing due to financial constraints or other challenging circumstances.



## Blanket distribution in rural villages

The Clothes Box Foundation recognizes the immense challenges faced by individuals living in cold climates, particularly those who lack access to warm clothing. In response to this pressing need, the foundation has established a blanket distribution program to provide warmth and comfort to those in need. Through partnerships with local shelters, community organizations, and social service agencies, the foundation identifies individuals and families living in cold weather conditions and ensures they receive clean, quality blankets to help them endure the harsh elements.

The foundation's blanket distribution program goes beyond providing a physical item; it offers a lifeline to individuals struggling to stay warm and safe. By distributing blankets, the Clothes Box Foundation aims to alleviate the risks associated with exposure to cold weather, such as hypothermia and other weather-related health issues. The blankets not only provide warmth but also a sense of security and well-being, allowing recipients to sleep more comfortably and reduce their vulnerability to cold-related illnesses.

To ensure the effectiveness and impact of their blanket distribution efforts, the Clothes Box Foundation conducts thorough assessments of the needs and conditions of the communities they serve. They take into account factors such as local climate, cultural preferences, and specific vulnerabilities. By tailoring their distribution approach, the foundation aims to maximize the benefit for each individual and address the unique challenges faced by those living in cold weather conditions.

In addition to distributing blankets, the Clothes Box Foundation adopts a sustainable and resourceful approach by repurposing donated clothes to create these warm coverings. Recognizing the abundance of clothing donations and the pressing need for blankets, the foundation channels its creative efforts towards transforming unused or worn-out garments into cozy and functional blankets. This innovative repurposing process not only reduces textile waste but also provides an opportunity to breathe new life into clothing that would otherwise be discarded.



# Clothes Box Foundation recognized by Forbes 30U30 Asia in 2019



In 2019, the remarkable efforts and achievements of the Clothes Box Foundation Team were honored and acknowledged when they were recognized by Forbes 30U30 Asia. This prestigious recognition highlighted the team's exceptional work in addressing clothing needs, promoting sustainability, and making a positive impact on communities. Being featured on the Forbes 30U30 Asia list underscored the team's dedication, innovation, and their commitment to creating lasting change in the field of social impact and sustainable fashion.

The Forbes 30U30 Asia recognition not only celebrated the individual members of the Clothes Box Foundation Team but also shed light on the organization as a whole. It showcased the collective vision, hard work, and transformative initiatives led by the team. This recognition served as a catalyst for further success and validation, elevating the profile of the foundation and inspiring others in the industry to embrace similar values and approaches. The Forbes 30U30 Asia recognition solidified the Clothes Box Foundation's position as a trailblazer in the field, reinforcing their commitment to making a meaningful difference and driving positive social change.

## We are grateful to our partners

The Clothes Box Foundation would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to our valued partners who have played a pivotal role in our mission to make a positive impact in the lives of individuals and communities. We are immensely grateful for the unwavering support, collaboration, and shared vision that our partners have brought to our work. Without their dedication and commitment, our efforts to distribute clothes, repurpose garments, and empower communities would not be possible.

Our partners have been instrumental in expanding our reach and amplifying our impact. Their contributions, whether through financial support, in-kind donations, or volunteer engagement, have significantly enhanced our ability to serve those in need. Together, we have been able to provide warmth, comfort, and a sense of dignity to individuals facing challenging circumstances. We deeply appreciate their belief in our mission and their continuous efforts to uplift communities, reduce waste, and foster sustainable practices.

To our partners, we extend our deepest gratitude for their unwavering support, trust, and collaboration. Their commitment to social responsibility and sustainability aligns perfectly with our values, and we are honored to have them by our side on this meaningful journey. We look forward to continuing our partnership, creating lasting change, and making a positive difference in the lives of individuals and communities together.



#### Legal

Clothes Box Foundation is a Trust registered with Sub-Registrar, Gurgaon at Sr. No. 742 dated Book No. 1, Binder No. 13072 under the Indian Trusts Act, 1882.

Clothes Box Foundation is approved for tax exemptions u/s 12AA of Income Tax Act 1961.

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