## Introduction

Founded in 2017, Shanti Devi Mittal Foundation emerged with a vision to make a tangible impact on the lives of the underprivileged and economically disadvantaged. The foundation swiftly secured legal recognition from the Department of Revenue under the Ministry of Finance. This legal recognition has not only strengthened the foundation's credibility but has also encouraged philanthropic support from individuals and organizations sharing its commitment to social welfare.

**Vision** 

- Thriving Communities
- Empowered Lives
- Sustainable Impact
- Unlocking their potentials

Mission

- Transforming lives through education, skills, and well-being
- Fostering self-reliance and community growth

**Values** 

- Education as a Catalyst
- Empowerment knowledge, skills, and resources
- Respect for Diverse Cultures
- Inclusivity- Equal access to opportunities and support

## The Birth of Skets Hope Centre:

In 2019, Shanti Devi Mittal Foundation took a significant leap forward in realizing its vision by establishing the Skets Hope Centre. This transformative hub became the physical embodiment of the foundation's commitment to providing comprehensive support to underprivileged and impoverished individuals, women seeking empowerment, particularly focusing on education and skill development. This transformative hub is dedicated to breaking barriers and creating opportunities for marginalized communities.

The key initiatives housed within the Skets Hope Centre, focusing on education, skill development, and empowerment. while emphasizing the tangible impact these programs have on the lives of participants.



## 1. Computer literacy Classes:

In the era of digital advancement, Shanti Devi Mittal Foundation is at the forefront of transforming lives through its Computer Classes. Tailored to uplift the underprivileged and economically disadvantaged, these classes not only impart essential digital literacy but also serve as a gateway to educational and employment opportunities in the ever-evolving digital landscape.

The Skets Hope Centre, under the auspices of Shanti Devi Mittal Foundation, provides comprehensive computer classes to underprivileged children and individuals facing economic hardship. The curriculum ensures that digital literacy becomes a tool for education, employment, and community participation. We ensured the participants are proficient in basic operations, software applications, and internet usage.

**Impact:** By providing access to computer education, the Skets Hope Centre empowers individuals to navigate the digital world, offering avenues for personal growth and breaking the cycle of poverty.

#### **Success stories**

The impact of computer classes provided by Shanti Devi Mittal Foundation has been transformative, as evidenced by inspiring stories of individuals who have undergone vocational training. These success stories stand as powerful testimonials to the profound and lasting change that can result from acquiring digital literacy and computer skills. Here are a few illustrative examples:

#### a. Manisha's Journey from Unemployed to Data operator.

Name- Manisha, 20 years Old, Ganesh Nagar Delhi

**Background-** Maniha's journey from facing financial issues and lack of direction in career to becoming a data operator in a corporate office in Laxmi Nagar is a testament to her resilience and ability to overcome economic challenges.

**Impact:** The Skets Hope centre's enrollment of Manisha in computer classes had a profound impact on her life, by providing access to education and essential digital skills, the NGO empowered Manisha to break free from a cycle of challenges.

By investing in education and skill development, the NGO contributes to the long-term sustainability of individuals and communities, promoting lasting positive change. Her success underscores the importance of skill development, networking, and perseverance in navigating the job market.

#### b. Saurabh 's Education Access Breakthrough:

Name- Saurabh, a young boy

**Background**- Saurabh 's facing challenging financial conditions, his journey is about transformation from unemployed to working as Billing operator through education and skill development.

**Impact:** Saurabh discovered a pathway to change through the Skets Hope Centre. Enrolling in a basic computer course, he gained essential skills that became a turning point in his life. Now, Saurabh is thriving in his role as a billing entry operator in a pharmacy, showcasing the real-world impact of accessible education. His journey epitomizes the transformative power of learning and highlights the Skets Hope Centre's role in shaping brighter futures.

#### c. Name- Lakshay, a 21-year-old individual

**Background**- Faced economic challenges, the prospect of pursuing education and acquiring skills seemed distant. However, the discovery of the Skets Hope Centre, coupled with the opportunity to complete a free computer course, became a pivotal moment in Lakshay's life. This support not only alleviated the financial burden of education but also laid the foundation for a transformative path.

**Impact:** Today, he has carved out a unique path for himself by working as part-time Data entry professional in a dental clinic and simultaneously pursuing his passion as a part-time gym trainer.

Lakshay's story is not just one of personal growth but also of impactful contributions to his family. By actively participating in the workforce, he not only supports his family financially but also manages to cover his own expenses. This dual engagement showcases Lakshay's commitment to both personal and professional development.

#### d. Name- Deep Chandra's, residing at east Vinod Nagar

**Background**- Deep Chandra's background is characterized by financial hardships, with his father working as a laborer. The family's financial condition is challenging, navigating the difficulties that often accompany manual labor professions. In the midst of these financial constraints, Deep Chandra's pursuit of a 6-month computer course at the Skets Hope Centre becomes a beacon of hope.

**Impact:** Upon completing the course, Deep Chandra secured a computer operator job. His employment not only marked a personal achievement but also became a means to contribute significantly to his family's financial well-being. The Skets Hope Centre's role in

providing the necessary skills becomes instrumental in empowering individuals like Deep Chandra to break free from economic challenges and contribute meaningfully to their households.

### 2. Beautician Courses:

Shanti Devi Mittal Foundation's commitment to holistic empowerment reaches new heights through its Beautician Courses, designed to uplift the underprivileged and economically challenged. These courses not only teach the artistry of beauty but also serve as a transformative force, empowering individuals to carve out a path to financial independence and self-esteem.

Beauty and wellness take centre stage at the Skets Hope Centre, with beautician courses covering various aspects, including skincare, hairstyling, makeup application, and salon management. Practical training prepares participants for successful careers in the beauty industry.

**Impact:** Beyond vocational skills, these courses instill confidence and entrepreneurial spirit, creating opportunities for self-employment and contributing to the beauty sector. For women facing economic challenges, the beautician courses offer a pathway to empowerment, enabling them to contribute to their families' well-being and challenging traditional gender norms.

Some Success Stories from Shanti Devi Mittal Foundation's Beautician Courses are as below.

#### a. Entrepreneurial Triumph:

Name: Anju, Residing at Mandawali Delhi, a young resilient girl

**Background:** Following the unfortunate demise of her father, who was the sole breadwinner, Anju found herself in a challenging situation, responsible for her family and two younger sisters.

**Impact**: In the face of adversity, Anju reached out to Shanti Devi Mittal Foundation, seeking assistance and guidance. Recognizing her potential and eagerness to stand on her own feet, the NGO swiftly enrolled her in a comprehensive beautician course. Through the course, she gained proficiency in mehendi application, bride grooming techniques, and other skills essential for the beauty industry.

Upon completing the beautician course, Anum transitioned into entrepreneurship, taking orders for mehendi designs and bridal grooming services. Her newfound skills not only provided a source of income but also empowered her to contribute to the family's financial stability.

In addition to Anum's success, NGO extended its support to her younger sisters. Both sisters joined the computer literacy classes offered by the NGO, broadening their horizons and enhancing their employability in the digital age.

Today, Anum stands as a self-employed individual, confidently managing her beauty services business. Anum's story is a shining example of how education, skill development, and community support can create lasting positive change in the lives of those facing adversity.

#### b. Entrepreneurial Triumph:

Name: Anjali, 20-year-old, residing Joshi Colony East Delhi

**Background:** Anjali faced financial difficulties with Lack of Career Direction, a common barrier for many individuals striving for a better future. Limited financial resources often restrict access to education and skill development opportunities.

**Impact**: Recognizing Anjali's potential and eagerness to learn, the NGO guided her towards enrolling in a beautician course. Over the next six months, the foundation not only provided her with the necessary skills but also offered mentorship and support, nurturing her passion for the beauty industry.

Upon completing the course, Anjali emerged as a skilled and confident beautician. Armed with her newfound knowledge and expertise, she took the bold step of venturing into entrepreneurship. Anjali opened her own beauty parlour in Madhu Vihar, Delhi, turning her dreams into reality.

Today, Anjali's beauty parlour stands as a testament to her hard work, determination, and the support she received from the Shanti Devi Mittal Foundation. Her success not only transformed her own life but also serves as an inspiration to others facing similar challenges.

Anjali's story showcases the transformative power of education, guidance, and the resilience of individuals striving to create a better future for themselves.

#### c. Empower With Skills:

Name: Preeti, a married woman residing in Joshi Colony

**Background: Preeti** faced financial difficulties due to her husband's low salary and have a Lack of Career Direction, a common barrier for many individuals striving for a better future.

**Impact**: The prospect of overcoming these difficulties emerged when she learned about the Skets Hope Centre through their impactful social awareness program. Preeti enrolled in the Beautician course offered by the Skets Hope Centre, where she learned the art of mehendi application and various beauty techniques. Armed with her newfound skills, Preeti transitioned from a learner to a provider, offering beautician services to her community. This

entrepreneurial venture not only enabled her to contribute financially to her family but also positioned her as a valuable resource within her community.

Preeti's success story not only showcases the effectiveness of the Skets Hope Centre's initiatives in skill enhancement but also highlights the broader societal impact when individuals, equipped with the right skills, contribute to the economic well-being of their families and communities.

#### d. Name: Sanna, residing in Mandawali,

**Background: Sanna** found herself facing challenging circumstances following her husband's demise. Living with her elder sister, financial struggles and unemployment added to the burdens she carried. In a pivotal turn of events, Sanna connected with an NGO that extended a lifeline of support. Embracing the opportunity, she enrolled in a beautician course offered by the NGO.

**Impact**: The newfound skills from the beautician course transformed Sanna's life. She transitioned from a state of unemployment to actively providing beauty services, not only enhancing her financial situation but also gaining a sense of independence and self-reliance. Sanna's journey exemplifies the resilience of individuals when given access to skill development opportunities. Through her determination and the support of the NGO, she has not only overcome personal challenges but has also become an empowered contributor to her own livelihood.

## 3. Academic Coaching

The Skets Hope Centre, operated by the Shanti Devi Mittal Foundation, offers comprehensive academic coaching services to students in grades 1 to 8. Qualified academic coaches not only offer personalized support in core subjects but also facilitate specialized courses such as accounts, ensuring a comprehensive education. This initiative aims to provide personalized support, foster a love for learning, and enhance the academic performance of underprivileged and economically disadvantaged children.

Impact: It has yielded a transformative impact on individual students, fostering improved academic performance, heightened confidence, and holistic development. Beyond the classroom, it has cultivated a sense of community awareness and engagement, promoting inclusivity and inspiring positive change within families. Graduates, serving as role models, contribute to the broader community's upliftment, breaking the cycle of poverty and instigating positive societal change through education.

Some Success Stories from Shanti Devi Mittal Foundation's academic Courses are as below.

#### a. Name: Roshan, From Joshi Colony East Delhi.

**Background:** Roshan, a determined student facing financial challenges, embarked on a transformative journey with the Skets Hope Centre, an initiative by the Shanti Devi Mittal Foundation. Struggling with limited resources,

**Impact:** Roshan enrolled in the Academic Coaching Program, which included a specialized accounts course offered by the NGO. The foundation's emphasis on practical skills and financial literacy empowered Roshan with the expertise needed to navigate the complexities of accounting. Today, Roshan stands as a testament to the transformative impact of the Academic Coaching Program, having successfully transitioned from a student facing financial constraints to a valued employee at a well reputed Organsiation.

#### b. Name: Rani, 19-year-old Girl.

**Background:** She faced the challenges of financial constraints, with her father earning a low salary. Seeking a way to break free from these limitations, Rani seized the opportunity provided by the Skets Hope Centre, enrolling in an accounting course.

**Impact:** The NGO played a pivotal role in not only offering educational support but also connecting Rani with practical learning experiences in a CA firm in Madhu Vihar, Delhi. Rani's dual role—learning in the CA firm and earning simultaneously—illustrates the transformative potential of skill development. By equipping Rani with real-world skills, the NGO not only enhances her employability but also turns her into a contributor to her family's financial well-being.

Rani's story reflects the power of education to create positive, tangible changes in the lives of those facing economic challenges.

#### c. Name: Shifa, residing at Joshi colony Delhi

**Background:** Sheefa's story unfolds against the backdrop of dire financial conditions in Joshi Colony. Faced with worsening economic circumstances, Sheefa sought a lifeline at the Skets Hope Centre. Enrolling in a 6-month accounts course provided by the NGO, she dedicated herself to acquiring valuable skills that could potentially change the trajectory of her family's financial struggles.

**Impact:** After successfully completing the course, Sheefa transitioned into a job, a significant accomplishment that not only marked her personal achievement but also became a source of support for her family. In the face of adversity, she seized the opportunity provided by the Skets Hope Centre to equip herself with practical skills, ultimately breaking the shackles of financial hardship and creating a pathway for a more stable and promising future for her family.

#### d. Name: Amar, a 25-year-old from Uttar Pradesh

**Background:** He ventured to Delhi in pursuit of employment and skill acquisition. In his quest for opportunities, Amar connected with a mentor from the Skets Hope Centre, a pivotal encounter that marked the beginning of a transformative journey. Recognizing the importance of foundational skills, the NGO provided Amar with computer basic classes and an accounts course.

**Impact:** After successfully completing these courses, Amar's skill set, and knowledge positioned him for employment as an accountant in a CA firm. This accomplishment not only marked a personal triumph for Amar but also exemplified the impact of accessible education and skill development on an individual's journey to professional success.

The Skets Hope Centre's role as a catalyst for Amar's journey reflects the broader impact of NGOs in fostering personal and professional development within the community.

## 4. Stitching and Tailoring Classes:

Shanti Devi Mittal Foundation's commitment to empowering the underprivileged takes a tangible form through its Tailoring and Stitching Classes. Beyond teaching the art of needle and thread, these classes serve as a transformative force, encouraging individuals with practical skills that not only provide a means of livelihood but also foster a sense of creativity and independence.

Skets Hope centre, a beacon of hope for the underprivileged, has extended its outreach by providing Stitching and Tailoring Classes to those in need. These classes not only impart essential vocational skills but also empowering individuals from economically challenged backgrounds to break free from the cycle of poverty.

This initiative aims to equip individuals, especially women, with practical skills that not only enhance their employability but also empower them to establish small-scale enterprises.

**Impact:** Through stitching and tailoring classes, Shanti Devi Mittal Foundation has witnessed inspiring stories of transformation. Women who once faced economic hardships are now entrepreneurs, managing their own tailoring businesses.

These success stories serve as a testament to the impact of vocational training in fostering lasting change.

#### a. Resilience in Adversity:

**Name:** Geena Rani, residing at Allah Colony East Delhi, a resilient woman who turned adversity into triumph with the support of Skets Hope Centre

**Background:** Geeta Rani faced formidable challenges as the sole breadwinner in a household marred by financial difficulties and her husband's prolonged illness. The weight of these responsibilities took a toll on her, but she refused to succumb to despair.

**Impact:** Skets Hope centre a beacon of hope for individuals like Geeta facing economic hardships. Recognizing her determination and need for financial independence, the NGO enrolled her in stitching and tailoring classes. Simultaneously, the NGO provided her with a part-time job within the organization, offering both financial support and a sense of belonging.

Today, Geeta Rani stands tall as a self-employed entrepreneur, defying the odds stacked against her including tragedy struck when Geeta's husband succumbed to his illness. Her small business not only sustains her family but also serves as an inspiration to others facing similar struggles.

#### b. Weaving a Future of Independence:

Name: Sanna, residing at Allah colony, Delhi

**Background:** Sanaa's mother, the sole provider for their family, worked tirelessly as a maid, making ends meet to secure a future for her daughter. The absence of a father figure brought additional challenges, and financial constraints often cast a shadow on their dreams.

**Impact of Stitching Classes:** Enter Skets Hope centre, recognized Sanaa's potential, the NGO enrolled her in stitching and tailoring classes, opening doors to a world of possibilities. The classes not only equipped her with valuable skills but also became a source of empowerment and self-expression.

Armed with her newfound skills, Sanaa began stitching from the comfort of her home. This home-based enterprise not only provided her with a sustainable source of income but also allowed her to contribute significantly to the family's financial stability.

Sanaa's story is a testament to the belief that, with the right opportunities and support, individuals can rise above adversity and craft a future of independence and fulfillment.

#### c. Women Empowerment and Artistry:

Name: Pooja Nainwal, residing in proximity to the Skets Hope Centre

**Background:** Pooja Nainwal's story unfolds against a backdrop of significant financial challenges and unemployment. Living in the shadows of financial hardship.

**Impact of Stitching Classes:** The Skets Hope Centre, situated in close proximity, emerged as a beacon of hope in Pooja's life. Pooja seized the opportunity to enroll in the beauty and tailoring courses offered by the NGO. After completion courses, through her proficiency in tailoring, Pooja has not only become a self-reliant contributor but also a valuable resource within her community. By offering customized tailoring services, she has successfully translated her skill set into a practical and income-generating venture. Pooja's journey exemplifies the empowering impact of education in breaking the cycle of financial struggles.

#### d. Empowered by Skill development:

Name: Kiran, from East Delhi

**Background:** A young girl with the financial hardships of having a daily-wage worker as a father and a mother employed as a maid.

**Impact of Stitching Classes:** Amidst these challenges, a turning point in Kiran's life emerged during a social awareness program conducted by the Shanti Devi Mittal Foundation's Skets Hope Centre. Witnessing the transformative potential of education and skill development, Kiran approached an NGO teacher and expressed her desire to enrol in the centre. Recognizing the urgency to address the family's financial struggles, the teacher guided Kiran to join a 6-month stitching course at the Skets Hope Centre.

Upon completion of the course, Kiran transitioned into a role as a skilled tailor, leveraging her newfound expertise to contribute to the family's income. Kiran's story exemplifies the impact of targeted skill development programs in breaking the cycle of poverty.

## 5. Yoga and Self-Defense Training:

Skets Hope Centre, an initiative by Shanti Devi Mittal Foundation, goes beyond traditional forms of empowerment by offering Self-Defense and Yoga Classes among the underprivileged, particularly those facing financial struggles and societal challenges.

These programs not only equip individuals with physical and mental strength but also foster a sense of resilience and well-being. Skets Hope Centre recognizes the holistic nature of empowerment, intertwining the practices of self-defense and yoga to uplift the underprivileged and foster a community of strength.

Skets Hope Centre's Self-Defense and Yoga Classes are designed to provide a comprehensive approach to well-being. While self-defense empowers individuals with the physical skills to protect themselves, yoga complements the program by nurturing mental and emotional resilience. Together, these classes contribute to a holistic sense of empowerment.

The commitment to personal safety is evident through self-defense training programs offered at the Skets Hope Centre. Participants learn practical techniques, situational awareness, and strategies to enhance their safety.

Empowering individuals, particularly women, with self-defense skills instills confidence, promoting personal safety and resilience in the face of potential threats.

The Yoga and Self-Defense Training provided by the NGO offer a holistic approach to individual and community well-being. By addressing physical, mental, and social aspects, these programs contribute to a healthier, safer, and more empowered society.

# "Triumphs and Achievements: Our NGO Students Shine Bright in Academic and Extracurricular Arenas

The students of our NGO have showcased exceptional talent and determination by actively participating in various events, earning recognition and accolades. The NGO commitment to fostering well-rounded individuals is evident as students actively participate and excel not limited to school events. Our students have not only participated in school events and other tournaments enthusiastically and have also secured top positions, demonstrating academic excellence and all-round development.

Students Name participates Ramleela quiz competition.

- Anushka Sharma
- a. Students Name participates in Karate Tournament held at Delhi Public School.
  - Ritiksha
  - Rishima
  - Aaradhya
- b. Students Name participates at Delhi state Level.
  - Rashika
  - Ananya
  - Nizbu
- c. Students Name participates at Indo Nepal Tournament.
  - Nizba
  - Ritiksha
  - Jayanto das
  - Aaradhya
- d. Drawing competition (sparkle event)
  - Bhoomi
  - Vaishnavi
  - Ashish das
- e. Mayo international school Dancing (sparkle event)
  - Ananya
  - Ritishka
  - Khushboo
  - Navya
  - Shriyanshi
  - Chanda
- f. More than 25 students participated in Kirpal Apartment, Sparkle Event tournament.

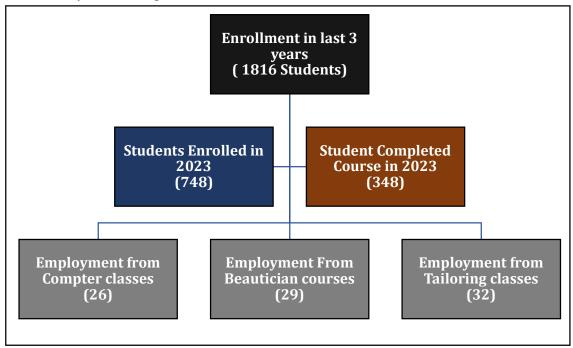
#### **Conclusion:**

Skets Hope Centre, operated by Shanti Devi Mittal Foundation, stands as a symbol of empowerment and positive change within communities. Through its diverse initiatives encompassing computer classes, beautician courses, and self-defense training, the centre is creating a transformative impact on the lives of individuals. The foundation's commitment to holistic empowerment is reflected in the multifaceted approach of the Skets Hope Centre, making it a beacon of hope and a catalyst for positive transformation in the communities it serves.

This note explores the details of the computer classes offered by Skets Hope Centre and highlights the importance of these classes in today's increasingly digital world.

#### **Milestones:**

In the **transformative year of 2023**, the Shanti Devi Mittal Foundation, through its Skets Hope Centre, achieved significant milestones in its mission to uplift underprivileged and economically disadvantaged individuals:



**Total Student Enrollment:** The foundation successfully enrolled a total of 748 students, providing them with opportunities for education, skill development, and empowerment.

**Passed out student**: Out of the enrolled students, a notable achievement was the 380 individuals have completed the respective courses. This accomplishment reflects the dedication of both the students and the foundation towards completing the various courses offered.

**Computer Literacy Classes:** Among the graduates, 26 students from the computer literacy classes secured employment, showcasing the practical skills and market relevance of the program.

**Beautician Courses:** The foundation's Beautician Courses empowered 29 graduates with employment opportunities. Impressively, two individuals from this group successfully established and now operate their own beauty parlours, highlighting the entrepreneurial impact of the initiative.

**Stitching and Tailoring Classes:** In the stitching and tailoring program, 32 graduates found employment, demonstrating the effectiveness of the program in equipping individuals with valuable vocational skills.

**Holistic Well-being:** Beyond vocational skills, the foundation's commitment to holistic development is evident through the provision of Yoga and Self-Defense Training, contributing to the physical and mental well-being of the participants. Around 50 students are currently getting benefits of Yoga and Self-Defense Training.

**Academic Coaching:** The foundation extended academic coaching services for students from grades 1 to 8, ensuring that underprivileged and economically disadvantaged students receive essential educational support.

These milestones collectively represent the Shanti Devi Mittal Foundation's impactful efforts in providing comprehensive support, education, and skill development to individuals facing socio-economic challenges. The success stories of employed graduates and entrepreneurial ventures underscore the foundation's commitment to breaking the cycle of poverty and fostering empowerment within the community.

## **Looking Ahead:**

Expanding the Shanti Devi Mittal Foundation's reach and impact involves strategic initiatives to address emerging needs and leverage technological advancements. Here are potential actions for expansion.

Infrastructure Expansion

- Plan to build 25 additional classrooms.
- •Introduce advance levels of computer literacy courses.
- •Acquire 25 additional sewing machines.
- Purchase 30 additional computers to accommodate more students in each session.
- •Libraries for Academic Support expansion

Digital Transformation

- •To Introduce digital tools and platforms for educational like LED boards in classrooms.
- Remote Yoga and Self-Defense Classes.
- •E liabrary introduction
- •To Launch online skill development courses.
- Mobile Learning Initiatives for education

Social awareness

- •To Host several social awareness webinars and programme.
- •To Create online platforms that facilitate community engagement, resource-sharing.
- Awareness Drives for Specialized Courses.
- •Inclusivity- Equal access to opportunities and support

## **Journey at a Glance: Shanti Devi Mittal Foundation**

Inception	Skets Hope centre	Key initiatives housed within the Skets	Milestones in 2023	Impact	Looking Ahead
Established in 2019 with a vision to empower under privileged communities.	In 2019, NGO took a significant leap forward in realizing its vision by establishing the Skets Hope Centre	Programme	1. Successfully enrolled more than 1800 underprivileged students.  2. Around 400 students completed courses with positive outcomes  3. Around 100 students secured employment based on courses.  5. Acknowledgment from educational and siocia welfare authorities.	1. Transformed lives of through education and skill development.  2. Facilitated employment and economic upliftment.  3. Promoting skill-based self-employment.  4. Promoting self safety physical and mental well-being by Yoga and Self defence training.	1. Aim to establish more than additional Skets Hope Centres in underserved regions.  2. Advancing technology integration in education with a focus on online learning opportunities.  3. Ongoing commitment to creating lasting impact and empowering more lives.