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FUNDING CARE, FUELING CHANGE

EMPOWERING CAREGIVERS, HEALERS AND FRONTLINE ORGANISATIONS

At United Way of Baroda, we believe progress is most meaningful when communities grow together. Through our Community Impact Programs, we continue to empower lives by strengthening education, healthcare, and inclusion for specially-abled children—working towards a society rooted in compassion and equal opportunity.

This year, UWB disbursed grants exceeding ₹4 crore to 22 NGOs, hospitals, and 5 United Way projects making a measurable grassroots impact. The Grant Disbursement Ceremony, held on 16th October 2025, was graced by Shri Arun Mahesh Babu, IAS, Commissioner – Vadodara Municipal Corporation, as Chief Guest. Each grant reflects trust, collaboration, and a shared commitment to building a stronger, more inclusive community.

Funds Disbursed

₹ 4 crores

Supporting

22 Institutions

and

5 Core Projects





RANGMANCH 2025

A SHARED CELEBRATION OF ABILITY AND CREATIVITY

150+
Participants

25
NGOs

30
Performances

United Way of Baroda proudly celebrated its annual flagship event Rangmanch on 10th December at Mook Dhvani Trust, honouring World Disability Day with joy and inclusivity.

With 150 talented participants from 25 NGOs delivering 30 patriotic, cultural, musical, and dance performances, the stage lit up with creativity, confidence, and pure spirit. Graced by Chief Guest Shri Narsimhaa Komar (IPS), Commissioner of Police, Vadodara, and our esteemed UWB Trustees, the evening became even more inspiring. A beautiful reminder that every voice, every talent, and every dream deserves the spotlight.





KALA JUNCTION 2025-26

KICKS OFF WITH THE THEME 'MIND UNPLUGGED'

United Way of Baroda organised the first phase of Inter-school and Inter-College competition, Kala Junction 2025-26, on 21 December 2025 at Baroda High School, Alkapuri, under the theme 'Mind Unplugged'.

500+
Participants

35
Schools

10
Colleges

The event provided a vibrant platform for students to creatively express their thoughts on social and emotional issues through activities such as essay writing, poster making, and quizzes. With participation from over 500 students representing more than 35 schools and 10 colleges across Vadodara, Kala Junction celebrated imagination, critical thinking, and meaningful dialogue among young minds.

Competitions in
Phase 1

Essay Writing

Poster Making

Quiz
(Preliminary
Round)



CHERISHING CHILDHOOD THROUGH CARE AND JOY

A CELEBRATION BEYOND GIFTS



Children's Day was marked by creating a space of warmth, care, and connection for children from underserved communities. The celebration focused on simple yet meaningful moments—sharing meals, laughter, and quality time—making every child feel seen and valued.



As part of the initiative, hygiene kits were distributed to 50 street children, reinforcing the importance of health and dignity. UWB staff volunteers also came together to serve meals and conduct games and activities for around 150 children from two NPSS schools and Vikas Jyot Trust. More than a celebration, the day was about listening, engaging, and reminding every child that they are deserving of love, attention, and support.



PRACTICAL EXAM STRATEGIES FOR YOUNG LEARNERS

STUDENTS APPROACH EXAMS WITH CLARITY, STRUCTURE, AND SELF-BELIEF

United Way of Baroda continues its commitment to supporting young learners through meaningful educational initiatives. As part of this effort, a special two-day Exam Preparation Session was organized for students of Classes 10, 11, and 12 (Commerce/Science). Nearly 350 bright students, supported under Mission Shiksha, Shikhar Science Scholarship Program and Umang Scholarship Project, and their parents participated in this enriching session held at Baroda High School, Alkapuri.



Led by Ms. Kanan Joshi, the sessions introduced effective study techniques such as the Feynman Method, Mnemonics, Pomodoro Technique, time planning, note-making strategies, and concentration improvement tips. These tools helped students gain clarity, confidence, and a well-structured approach to prepare for their board exams without fear.

UNITED FOR THE ABILITY & EMPOWERMENT A COLLECTIVE EFFORT TOWARDS AWARENESS

Over 400 from 25 NGOs came together for an inspiring awareness rally on the 67th International Day of Persons with Disabilities. The participants marched with pride, advocating for rights and a better future for all individuals, no matter their abilities. Organized by United Way of Baroda and World Disability Day Celebration Committee, it was a symbol of determination, diversity, and equal opportunities for all.



INCLUSIVE CARE FOR EVERY ABILITY

EXTENDING HEALTHCARE TO THE SPECIALLY-ABLED COMMUNITY

In association with Disha Charitable Trust, a comprehensive health camp was organised to support children and adults with disabilities from slum and rural communities. The initiative benefited over 170 beneficiaries and their families, ensuring access to essential healthcare services.



Comprehensive Free Services: A dedicated team of Doctors from nine specialized disciplines provided consultations on the spot. This included Developmental Paediatricians, Orthopaedic Surgeons, ENT Specialists, Dental Surgeons, Paediatric Neurologists, Ophthalmologists, General Practitioners, and Homeopaths.



Beyond Check-ups: The beneficiaries received not only free check-ups but also:

- Free Medicine as prescribed by the medical professionals.
- Essential Aids such as Hearing Aids and Appliances, provided free of cost.
- Free Follow-up treatments and required surgeries for children were committed to be taken care of throughout the year.

CREATING EQUAL PLAYGROUNDS

AN INCLUSIVE SPORTS PLATFORM FOR YOUNG CHAMPIONS

The Open Baroda Sports Meet for Intellectually Disabled Children 2025 was organized by Bal Bhavan Society and supported by United Way of Baroda. It created an encouraging and inclusive platform where young participants engaged in sports with confidence and enthusiasm. With over 200 registrations, the event brought together children, families, volunteers, and organisers in a space rooted in participation and support. The sports meet emphasised inclusion over competition, allowing every child to be seen and celebrated for their effort.



CORPORATE SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

GROWING GREEN, GROWING TOGETHER A STEP TOWARDS HEALTHIER, GREENER NEIGHBOURHOODS

United Way of Baroda, with the support of its CSR partner Civica Resource Pvt. Ltd. and in collaboration with the Vadodara Municipal Corporation's Parks and Garden Department, inaugurated the Miyawaki Dense Oxygen Park at Kaladarshan-Waghodia, Vadodara.



Designed using the Miyawaki method, the initiative aims to enhance local biodiversity, improve air quality, and create a healthier green space for the surrounding community. The park stands as a meaningful step towards sustainable urban development and reflects a shared commitment to environmental responsibility and long-term ecological impact.

 Kaladarshan, Waghodiya,
Vadodara

18,000
Sq. ft. Area

5,500
Trees

38
Native Species



VOLUNTEER-LED ENVIRONMENTAL ACTION

PLANTING TODAY FOR A GREENER TOMORROW

As part of Sun Pharma's Employee Volunteering Program, large-scale plantation drives were facilitated under CSR collaboration, creating dense green spaces using the Miyawaki Technique.



Gayatrinagar, Halol



Kharod, Ankleshwar

2,00,000
Sq. ft. Area

20,000
Saplings Planted

90
Native Species

TOTAL
32,500
TREES PLANTED

1,35,000
Sq. ft. Area

12,500
Saplings Planted

90
Native Species



Together, these initiatives resulted in the plantation of over 32,500 native trees across 3,35,000 sq. ft., strengthening local ecosystems and promoting long-term environmental sustainability. The initiative focused on enhancing biodiversity, reducing carbon footprint, and fostering employee engagement through hands-on environmental action.

EXPANDING CARE TILL THE LAST MILE

DELIVERING MOBILE AND MATERNAL CARE AT REMOTE LOCATIONS

The LIC HFL Sanjeevani Project was inaugurated at the Taluka Health Office, Garbada, Dahod, under the CSR initiative of LIC Housing Finance Ltd, in collaboration with United Way of Baroda. The initiative marked the handover of a Force Traveller Mobile Health Unit (MHU), the distribution of Shishu Kits, and the commencement of Behaviour Change Communication (BCC) sessions for new mothers across 11 locations in Garbada Taluka.



With CSR support from LIC Housing Finance Ltd, the Shishu Kit Project has now been expanded to five talukas of Panchmahal district and Garbada Taluka of Dahod—an Aspirational Block. The initiative aims to reach 10,000 mothers annually through the distribution of Shishu Kits across 18 CHCs and PHCs, ensuring preparedness, dignity, and essential care for mothers and newborns.



The Mobile Health Unit will deliver vital healthcare services to border and interior villages, improving last-mile access to quality healthcare. Alongside kit distribution, structured BCC sessions at hospitals focus on maternal and neonatal health, family planning, infant care, and postpartum recovery—helping mothers translate information into confidence.



SUPPORTING CARE BEYOND TREATMENT

MAKING HOSPITAL JOURNEYS EASIER FOR PATIENTS AND THEIR FAMILIES

In partnership with MRI Software, United Way of Baroda launched the 'Sarthak Safar'. Enhancing Patient Mobility Project at SSG Hospital, Vadodra, with a simple but powerful intention to make hospital journeys gentler, safer, and more humane for those who need care the most.

Through this initiative, a 6-seater battery-operated golf cart cum stretcher and a BPL Cardiac ECG Machine were provided to support patients as they move through long hospital corridors, often during moments of vulnerability. For senior citizens, pregnant women, and individuals facing mobility challenges, these small interventions make a meaningful difference, reducing physical strain, anxiety, and discomfort during essential diagnostic procedures such as X-rays and MRIs.



Sarthak Safar goes beyond medical equipment. It is about dignity in movement, reassurance in difficult moments, and the comfort of having loved ones walk alongside patients when they need emotional support the most. At United Way of Baroda, care is not limited to treatment alone; it extends to every step of the journey, ensuring that compassion remains at the heart of healthcare.



BUILDING SKILLS, RESTORING FUTURES

LIVELIHOOD OPPORTUNITY FOR JAIL INMATES

Aligned with the Skill India initiative, an ongoing skill development project at Vadodara Central Jail is equipping inmates with practical plumbing skills to support sustainable livelihoods during incarceration and after release. Implemented in CSR collaboration with Finolex Pipes and Mukul Madhav Foundation, the initiative focuses on rehabilitation through employable skills. The training is conducted by an expert instructor and includes hands-on practice followed by an examination. Certification and stipends are provided by Industrial Training Institute (ITI), Tarsali as per the Government norms. So far, 89 inmates have successfully completed the training, while the third batch has commenced its three-month program with 40 new participants—marking another step towards dignity, self-reliance, and reintegration.



A SPACE TO LEARN, GROW, AND BELONG

DESIGNING ANGANWADIS FOR EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING



Ami Lifesciences Pvt. Ltd., in partnership with United Way of Baroda, conducted the groundbreaking ceremony at Anganwadi Center-1, Chukari Village (Padra Taluka, Vadodara) in the presence of Hon'ble MLA Shri Chaitanyasinh Zala, ICDS Padra officials, community members, United way of Baroda and the Ami Lifesciences team.

Aligned with the National Education Policy (NEP) 2025, this initiative focuses on strengthening foundational education infrastructure, enabling safe, child-friendly, and experiential learning spaces—because strong foundations make meaningful early learning possible.



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