



Organizations' Directory

This booklet published as part of 'Nurture' magazine provides an overview of various organizations working in Pakistan and catering to diverse needs of children across the country. Please note that this is not an exhaustive list but we have tried to feature a cross-section of organizations geographically and across a spectrum of additional support needs.



Name: Special Talent Exchange Program
Outreach: All over Pakistan
Mission: Mainstreaming of disabled people in the society
Area of Focus: Cross Disability

Trainings:

- Leadership Training of Disabled Persons
- Independent Living Training of Disabled Persons
- Disability Awareness Training for Mainstream Development and Corporate Organizations

Endeavors:

- Accessibility Consultancies
- Monthly Newsletter "Leaders"
- Brail Embossing
- Radio Pakistan Program on Sunday
- Islamabad Declaration 2009
- Pakistan's first ever accessible website: www.step.org.pk
- First job portal for disabled people
- Innovative self employment initiatives, like Catch-up Food Point at Al Maktoom Special Education Centre
- Annual National Talent Exhibitions since year 2000

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Phone: +92 51 2111331



Name: Ida Rieu Welfare Association
Outreach: Karachi
Mission: Providing knowledge and training to the blind and deaf to make them a part of our society
Area of Focus: Blindness and Deafness

Endeavors:

- School for Blind
- School for Deaf
- Audiology Clinic
- Low Vision Clinic
- Vocational Trainings
- Hostel
- Home for the Elderly
- Home for the Poor
- Inner Wheel Clinic
- DAISY – Digital Accessible Information System has been implemented in the audio books section

Address: Nizami Road, Off M.A Jinnah Road, Adjacent Quaid E Azam Mazar, Karachi 74400

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Name: Pakistan Society for the Rehabilitation of the Disabled

Outreach: Lahore, Areas around Lahore

Mission:

- To improve the quality of life for persons with physical disabilities.
- To enable full integration of disabled people in our society through preventive, remedial and rehabilitative treatments.

Area of Focus: All kinds of disability in general

Endeavors:

- Community Based Outreach Rehabilitation Service - focuses on prevention of diseases and disabilities and also on providing primary health education to underprivileged women and children
- Computer Training Centre – offers computer training to disabled students
- Vocational Training Centre - It offers training courses and short courses. The courses offered are drafting, cutting, sewing, machine embroidery, hand embroidery, machine knitting, hand knitting and painting.
- Vocational Rehabilitation Centre - provides loans to deserving disabled men and women to enable them to set up their own enterprises
- Occupational Therapy Centre - provides training on income generation skills including mobile phone repair work, pottery, weaving, block and screen printing
- Physiotherapy Centre
- High School - provides academic education up to matriculate standard and offers extra curricular and sport activities for the well rounded growth of disabled children.
- Hospital - P.S.R.D. Hospital is one of the largest Orthopedic Hospital in Pakistan
- Orthotics and Prosthetics Centre
- Out Patient Department – point of entry for all patients

Address: 111 Ferozepur Road, Lahore



Name: Family Educational Services Foundation

Outreach: Karachi, Hyderabad, Lahore

Mission: To enhance the quality of life for all members of the community, especially those who are disadvantaged.

Area of Focus: Disability

Endeavors:

- Deaf Reach Schools and Training Centers
- Eduserve Teacher Training & Child Development Program
- Community Service

Address: 1st Floor, 2-K, Block 6, P.E.C.H.S., Sharah-e-Faisal, Karachi

Phone: +92 21 4301293-94, +92 333 240 5531



Name: Dar-ul-Mussarat (Centre for Special Children)

Outreach: Karachi

Mission: Rehabilitation and development of disabled children

Area of Focus: Disability

Endeavors:

- Special School and Therapy Centre
- Health Care Program
- Community Based Rehabilitation Program
- Training courses for people between 3-30 years of age, in basic, secondary and vocational fields
- Staff Training

Address: Plot # 26 to 30, Sector 4F, Commercial Area, New Saeedabad, Baldia Town, Karachi

Phone: +92 21 2815886



Name: Hamza Foundation – Academy for the Deaf

Outreach: Lahore

Mission: To help the hearing impaired children to live as independently as they can and to enable the children to live comfortably in their homes and society.

Area of Focus: Hearing Impairment

Endeavors:

- Audiology Department
- Speech and Language Therapy
- Academy – provides primary and secondary education and follows the curriculum designed by special education experts and published by Directorate General of Special Education G.O.P

Address: 4th floor, Billaur palace, 29-Macleod road, Lahore

Phone: +92 42 7351265-66



Name: Association for Humanitarian Development (AHD)

Outreach: Hyderabad, Thatta

Mission: To enable maximum participation by the disadvantaged and marginalized communities and to promote peace, justice and equality in our society.

Area of Focus: Mental Disabilities

Endeavors:

- Rehabilitation CBR Centers – Community Rehabilitation Center for Handicapped Children
- Relief and Rehabilitation Program

Address: House # 9/C, Block-A, Unit. No. 6, Latifabad, Hyderabad, Sindh

Phone: +92 22 3860880, 2933236



Name: Association for the Rehabilitation of Physically Disabled

Outreach: Peshawar

Mission: To provide and promote rehabilitation services to the people with disabilities, particularly in remote villages, city slums and suburbs where these services are hardly available and inaccessible

Area of Focus: Physical Disabilities

Endeavors:

- Rehabilitation Centre for the Physically Disabled (RCPD), Peshawar established by ARPD as a resource base for community oriented welfare and developmental activities
- Training Programs on Community Based Rehabilitation
- Vocational Skills' training
- Orthopedic Workshop
- Montessori/Inclusive Education Training
- CBR Center Management/ Supervision Program

Address: Umeedabad No. 2, Swati Gate, P. O Box. 201 GPO, Peshawar

Phone: +92 91 5252618, 5277663



Name: Karachi Vocational Training Centre (KVTC)

Outreach: Karachi

Mission: We believe that the mentally challenged can continually develop, learn new skills, and become useful contributing members of our society.

Area of Focus: Mentally challenged individuals and people with learning difficulties

Endeavors:

- The centre has placed over 350 rehabilitated trainees who are working on real jobs in the city ranging from salespersons to office assistants to specialized craftsmen in carpentry, tie-dying, block printing, mirror painting etc.
- Since its inception the KVTC has trained more than 4000 trainees. These trainees have taken their learning forward and are trying to help other challenged people as well.
- KVTC also provides follow up services to the trainees placed on real jobs
- KVTC not only supports challenged people but also provides remedial classes for children facing learning problems e.g. Concentration span, memory recall, amnesia as well as border line cases (those facing mental instability as a result of their socio-cultural environment, slow learning skills etc.
- A shop outlet managed by KVTC trainees was established to sell items made at the Centre. (Location of outlet: Nisar Shaheed Park Gate 3) DHA
- KVTC is the only centre that has established a Training Hostel. The hostel is specially designed with opportunities for socialization, personality building, constant supervision, and special arrangements for emergencies.

Address: P-10, Commercial Avenue, Phase IV, Defence Housing Authority, Karachi

Phone: +92 21 35382204, 35882920



Name: Grace Association

Outreach: Various parts of Pakistan, including Peshawar, Gilgit, Skardu etc.

Mission: To empower and improve the quality of life of the marginalized and vulnerable communities in the least developed parts of the country through welfare, participatory research and development, capacity building, promotion of best practices and partnership building, advocacy, and by launching sustainable and replicable innovative projects.

Area of Focus: Disability in general

Endeavors:

- Partnership with Ministry of Special Education for promoting inclusive education
- Dialogues with Pakistan Baitul-Mal for livelihood support of Earthquake affectees of Mansehra NWFP
- Centre for Independent Living (CIL) Australia (online information sharing)
- Proposal on Disability Resource Center
- Partnership with LCD for Employability Skills Development Centre (Skardu)
- Strategy for the establishment of Community Based Organizations FATA
- Early Childhood Care and Development Education Program - to strengthen parental and teachers' skills to raise healthy and thriving children, and to establish ECCD knowledge sharing environment in the region through institutionalizing it as a sustainable community- based program
- GRACE Public School Astana Skardu
- Mother & Child Health Care (MCH) Centre (1996)
- GRACE Community Empowerment Centre, Skardu
- Community Resource Centre, Baltistan
- Rehabilitation and Development of People with Disabilities (PWDs)

Address: 27 - E 3rd Floor, Office 5, Ali Plaza, Fazal-e-Haq Road, Blue Area, Islamabad

Phone: +92 300 4708813



Name: Society for Disabled Women

Outreach: Islamabad

Mission: Empowering disabled women and children for independent living

Endeavors:

- Inclusive Education
- CBR Project
- Building a Better World – Program on Peace
- Guidance and Counseling
- Advocating women rights

Address: Street # 9, Barkatpura House # 3787, Faislabad, Punjab P.O Box 1075



Name: Noor Fatima Welfare Trust
Outreach: Lahore, earthquake affected areas
Mission: To rehabilitate disabled people
Area of Focus: Disability in general
Endeavors:

- Voice of Specials – a bilingual magazine
- Training Programs
- Provision of food, wheel chairs, sewing machines and basic facilities to the needy

Address: E-99, Fateh Abad Colony, Lahore Cantt. Pakistan.

Phone: +92 42 6617305



Name: Pakistan Association of the Deaf (PAD)
Outreach: Karachi
Mission:

- Prosperity of the deaf community
- Inclusive barrier-free and right-based society for deaf community
- To encourage resource development
- Providing "QUALITY EDUCATION" to the deaf community so that they have equal opportunities.

Area of Focus: Hearing disabilities

Endeavors:

- Member of the World Federation of the Deaf (WFD)
- Needy Deaf Child Sponsorship - This plan fulfills the educational needs of poor deaf students who cannot afford educational expenses like fee, books, stationery etc.
- Talented Deaf Support - to give people an opportunity to acquire higher skills from other institutions
- Deaf Empowerment and Education Center where trainings are provided
- Interpreter Services for the Deaf
- Leadership and Empowerment for the Deaf
- Deaf Cooking and Learning Centre
- Sports Academy
- Deaf Vocational Training Program
- Host of other programs are provided for the deaf

Address: 23/A, Block 6, PECHS, M-1 Shaheen-Tower, Shahrah-e-Faisal, Karachi.

Phone: +92 21 4387150



Name: J.S Academy for the Deaf

Outreach: Karachi

Mission: To impart quality education to deaf children, as well as ensuring total development and grooming of its students by a highly-qualified team of teachers who impart education via sign language.

Area of Focus: Hearing disabilities

Endeavors:

- Open-door policy to accept deaf children who have either been deprived of schooling or have been rejected by other schools due to age criteria
- Achieved excellent results in the Matric and Inter-board examinations

Address: 7/F the Forum Block 9, Clifton Karachi 75600 – Head Office

Phone: +92 21 35839977



Name: All Sanghar Handicaps' Association

Outreach: Sanghar

Mission: To create awareness in the society about people with disabilities for mainstreaming and equal opportunity; put rehabilitation plans into practice to empower people with disabilities to attain social and economic inclusion through the promotion of independent living.

Area of Focus: Disability in general

Endeavors:

- Micro credit workshops
- Leadership Training Programs
- Advocacy and Awareness Programs
- Community Based Rehabilitation Programs
- Independent Living & Peer Support Program

Address: Bakhoro Road, Sanghar, Sindh, 68100

Phone: +92 333 2916281



Name: Show You Care

Outreach: Karachi

Mission: To change the mindset and attitude of the people towards the less able people. It is our objective that proper facilities are provided for the wheel chair bound people and they are treated with respect and dignity.

Area of Focus: Disability in general

Endeavors:

- Play titled "Chalta Hai Mera Dimaag"
- Seminar titled "Pave the Path – Show You Care"
- National Conference on Barrier Free Environment
- Loose Talk Show (starring Moin Akhtar and Anwar Maqsood)
- Encouraging the construction of ramps

Address: 401 Uni Tower, I.I. Chundrigar Road , Karachi

Phone: +92 21 32419278 – 32422264



Name: Power Rehabilitation Center for Physically Disabled

Outreach: Mardan

Mission: To promote rehabilitation and the integration of people with disabilities into society through community orientation, awareness creation, advocacy, networking, and development.

Area of Focus: Disability in general

Endeavors:

- Seminars on prevention of childhood disabilities
- Training programs and home visits for women who cannot come to the centre
- Physical rehabilitation programs

Address: Nehar Chowak Par Hoti New Islamabad, PO Box 98 GPO Mardan

Phone: +92 937 560414



Name: Funkor Child Art Centre

Outreach: Islamabad

Mission: To organize workshops and events for children with different NGO's and Government departments, and generate art workshops in schools for the under-privileged, Katchi Abadis (Shanty Towns), Refugee camps and centers for Special Children, to promote creativity among children, to promote awareness through Art, to promote respect for different cultures, religions and races and to encourage children to appreciate and respect nature.

Area of Focus: Peace, heritage protection, art for special children, environment protection

Endeavors:

- Amal Park – a park for disabled children, it has been designed to appeal to the sense of touch, hearing and smell for children. It comprises a fountain, a sandspit, wind chimes, herbs and fragrant plants. The park has been designed by Fauzia Minallah and architect, Faiza Moatasim.
- Salam, La Paix and Pace - Mural painting in Islamabad, Narni and Paris
- Mural painting in Rumbur and Drosh
- Mural "Peace and Religious Harmony," painted in the shanty town called French Colony
- Art Workshops for Afghan Refugee Children
- Art Workshops for Earthquake Victims
- Tree Plantation Activities

E-mail: funkor.news@gmail.com



Name: Initiative for Raising Awareness Development & Assimilation of the Handicapped (IRADAH)

Outreach: Chakwal, Villages: (Chumbi, Dhok-Mian-Mehrab, Narang, Begaal, Khandoa, Mohan-Makhiala, Shah-Pur, Chak Jharray, Hattar, Nagry)

Mission: To raise awareness among the society for the disabled people and to provide services for their rehabilitation and assimilation.

Area of Focus: Disability in general

Endeavors:

- Camps for disabled people with collaboration of different organizations. 19 camps have been arranged as yet.
- Seminars to create awareness. 17 seminars have been conducted up till now.
- Provision of physical aid to the physically disabled, such as tricycles, wheelchairs, CP chairs, clutches, appliances etc.
- A separate physiotherapy centre at Lorry Adda Buchal Kalan
- A separate Iradah Deaf School

Address: Rehabilitation Center for the Disabled, Lorry Adda Buchal Kalan, Tehsil & District. Chakwal, Pakistan

Phone: +92 543 586630, 0543-446030



Name: The Frontier Association for the Mentally Handicapped (FAMH)

Outreach: Mardan

Mission:

- To improve health and living conditions of the mentally handicapped.
- To provide quality education and training.
- To give due status in society to the special children.

Area of Focus: Mental handicap

Endeavors:

- Teaching programs on religious knowledge, arithmetic and number work, hygiene personal and environmental
- Vocational activities
- Psychotherapy

Address: PO Box. 34, Mangal Bagh, Mardan, NWFP, Pakistan.

Phone: +92 937 862252



Name: Gilgit Blind Training School

Outreach: Gilgit

Area of Focus: Blindness

Endeavors:

- Gilgit Eye Hospital
- At the school, subjects taught are English, Urdu, Math Science, Social Studies, and Islamyat. The school also teaches various life skills to help integrate people with vision problems into the mainstream. Some of these skills include cooking and agriculture.

Address: Riverview Road, PO Box 549 Gilgit, Northern Areas

Phone: +92 5811-55480



Name: Sultana Foundation

Outreach: Islamabad

Mission: Social Reconstruction through Human Development.

Endeavors:

- Educational Programmes
- Medical Programmes
- Research Centre
- Welfare Programmes
- Publications
- Functions & Events

Address: Farash Town Lehtrar Road, P.O Box 2700, Islamabad Pakistan - 44000

Phone: +92 51 2243500-05



Name: Al Mudassar Special Education Centre

Outreach: Gujrat

Mission:

- To offer a safe and supportive environment within which these special children can develop their full potential, leading to healthy, satisfying and independent lives within society.
- To maintain a positive school culture where children are motivated and challenged by high expectations, and where success is constantly celebrated.
- To be widely recognized as a specialist centre of excellence where information, training and support is shared with parents, other schools and professionals and the wider community.
- To develop a curriculum that meets the special needs of its pupils with particular emphasis on communication, social skills and skills for daily living.
- To prepare pupils for the opportunities, experiences and responsibilities of adult life.
- To meet each pupil's unique needs by providing innovative and flexible services in collaboration with partner agencies.
- To provide in-house medical facilities as no such facilities exist for special children in the area.
- To work in partnership with other organizations working in similar areas.

Endeavors:

- Al mudassar Special Education Complex
- Laboratories
- Library
- Resource Centre
- Living Accommodations
- Hospital

Address: Al-Mudassar Village, Bahairwal Tehsil Kharian, District Gujrat, Pakistan

Phone: +92 53 7578685



Name: RAMAQ – Centre for Awareness and Social Responsibility

Outreach: Lahore

Mission:

- To create an understanding of the problems and challenges faced by mentally and physically challenged persons through publications, website information, workshops, seminars, electronic media and newspaper articles
- To engage in advocacy and activism for the rights of Persons with Disabilities in accordance with the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (UN CRPD)
- To arrange training programmes for parents and teachers to become more effective in teaching and treating these persons
- To create new or support existing institutions to develop diagnostic facilities for Autism and other developmental disabilities
- To initiate and coordinate research on engendering national policies, entrepreneurship, cooperatives, and options of self-employment

Area of Focus: Disability in general

Endeavors:

- Autism Awareness Program
- Conferences on biomedical interventions
- Workshops for parents
- Seminar on 'Demystifying Biomedical Treatment for Autism'
- Resource Centre

Address: 3 Birdwood Road, Lahore, Pakistan

Phone: +92 42 7531381



Name: Social Aid and Awareness Program

Outreach: Islamabad and Karachi

Area of Focus: Disability in general

Endeavors:

- Research Department
- Medication Department
- Training Department
- Skills Enhancement
- Free Education Project
- Prosthetics and Orthotics Department

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Phone: +92 21 7637113



Name: Grace Association Pakistan

Outreach: Islamabad, NWFP, Karachi, Skardu

Mission: To empower and improve the quality of life of the marginalized and vulnerable communities in the least developed parts of the country through welfare, participatory research and development, capacity building, promotion of best practices and partnership building, advocacy, and by launching sustainable and replicable innovative projects.

Endeavors:

- Community based rehabilitation and inclusion
- Grace Educational Development program
- Early Childhood Care and Development
- Mother and Child Health Care Centre
- Community Resource Centre

Address: 27 - E 3rd Floor, Office 5, Ali Plaza, Fazal-e-Haq Road, Blue Area, Islamabad, Pakistan

Phone: +92 51 2829970



Name: Inclusive Society Pakistan

Outreach: Islamabad

Mission:

- To develop a knowledge base and disseminate information to support disability
- To empower people with disabilities to become powerful advocates for achieving social change and inclusive development
- To draft reports to influence laws policies and organizations to advocate equal rights and inclusion of people with disabilities in mainstream society

Endeavors:

- Resources for family and caregivers
- Awareness building programs on inclusion, disability, human rights and advocacy

Address: Office No. 6, First Floor, Hilltop Arcade, Plot 4D/II, Main Gizri Boulevard, Karachi, Pakistan

Phone: +92 51 5341343



Name: Civil Society Human & Institutional Development Programme

Outreach: Islamabad

Mission: Enabling individuals and organizations to make more effective and efficient development efforts through the provision of value-led Human and Institutional Development (HID) services.

Endeavors:

- IDP Mobilization and Rehabilitation
- Research and Publications

Address: Civil Society HID Programme (CHIP), Plot #5 (Fayyaz Market) Street 9, G-8/2, Islamabad, Pakistan.

Phone: +92 51 11111920



Name: Dar ul-Sukun

Outreach: Karachi, Quetta, Lahore

Mission: To provide care and shelter to the special children, socially displaced girls and senior citizens through a team of committed staff, dedicated nuns and passionate volunteers to rehabilitate them for a normal life in the society.

Area of Focus: Home for physically and mentally handicapped children, senior citizens and socially displaced girls from broken families

Endeavors:

- Physiotherapy sessions by professionally trained physiotherapist
- Medical aid
- High quality care of children to ensure their emotional, social physical, mental and spiritual growth
- Admissions in schools for children so they acquire education
- Opportunities for children to participate in sports, field trips and cultural events
- Construction of a Children's Complex for giving the children a more spacious and comfortable place with a garden.

Address: 159-H Block-3 P.E.C.H.S. Kashmir Road, Karachi

Phone: +92 21 34550381, 4558797



Name: Tamir Welfare Organization

Outreach: Rural and Low Income Areas of Faisalabad District

Endeavors:

- Free Community Health Clinic
- Mobile Health Camps Program
- Polio and TB Eradication Program
- Micro Home Industry
- Educational Support to Disabled Children
- Economic Rehabilitation
- Physiotherapy Centre
- Lyallpur Orthopedic Workshop
- Political Education & Awareness to Local Union Counselors
- Advocacy for Women, Children and Disabled People for their Rights

Address: P-138, Street. No.2, Mian Colony, PC#.2, Faisalabad, Postal Code 38090, Pakistan

Phone: +92 41 8717606



Name: Mehnaz Fatima Educational and Welfare Organization

Outreach: Gilgit

Mission:

- To provide Montessori education in the Northern Areas
- To provide early childhood learning and/or day-care facilities in the Northern Areas
- To provide opportunities for Montessori and early childhood development teacher training in the Northern Areas
- To establish a community center for women in the Northern Areas
- To develop facilities for mentally or physically handicapped persons in the Northern Areas

Endeavors:

- Special Education Centre
- Community Interventions
- Montessori
- Teaching Training

Address: Shahrah-e-Quaid-e-Azam, Jutial, Gilgit

Phone: +92 5811 55632 / 54966



Name: Anjuman Behbood-e-Samat-e-Atfal (ABSA)

Outreach: Karachi

Mission: ABSA School & College for the Deaf is a welfare institution catering to the educational and vocational needs of hearing impaired children. The aim is to provide a structured and friendly environment to help each child realize and develop his capabilities.

Area of Focus: Hearing impaired children

Endeavors:

- School was established in 1967 and upgraded to Intermediate level in 2000 and to degree level in 2005
- Vocational training is provided in Computers, Fine Art, Tailoring and Embroidery.
- Students are provided continuous opportunities to participate in field trips, sports events and cultural activities
- Several hundred children are acquiring education at the institution today.

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