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## LPS of USA Spring Newsletter



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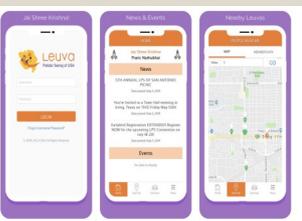
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### President's Letter

LPS of USA continues to serve our membership for over 30 years now and we find ourselves as a community in the most difficult of times. The organization continues to review and evaluate the best avenues to continue to support our Leuva Community during this situation. Unfortunately, the coronavirus has caused us to cancel all our events that were planned for this year. Our Womens Cruise, Youth Event in New Orleans and Senior Event had all been cancelled a few weeks ago. We also had townhalls scheduled in several different cities but we have cancelled all those events due the restrictions placed by jurisdictions as well as the safety of our membership. We have however begun to offer our members videoconferences from well-known speakers in an effort to support our membership and offer positive messages of hope. The virus has taught us as Leuvas, that we are good at holding our nerve and steadying one another during difficult times. We console each other in times of need and truly support one another during troubling times. As Leuva's we should be proud of our resilience to weather tough personal and economic times that impact us.

The Coronavirus however is something that has completely blindsided us as a society. This pandemic is something else; you can't touch the virus, see it or even know where it is. It may be spread by those who don't even know they are infected. It is very serious for some, very mild for many. Nevertheless, the effect of the virus could drive us apart. When someone we care for has it they must be isolated. That is particularly true for our senior community and the most vulnerable, the ones by whose bed we want to sit and hold their hand and express our love with touch. As in epidemics throughout history, the effects of this fear disturb us very deeply and dread comes upon us. The answer to conquering this fear is our faith. The Leuva community has a culture of caring, expressed through our local samajes, working with our friends and colleagues and in many other ways. Our hope comes from what we can do, who we are and our faith in God and our Hindu beliefs.

We must look after one another, knowing that in an uncertain world with a new virus we are best protected with honesty, compassion and care. As Leuva's we already practice these but in these uncertain times we will need to escalate these to ensure that we help our fellow Leuva's as well as our fellow Americans. Our Hindu beliefs remind us that we need to care for each other and ensure we watch out for those who are in distress even if they are those who are often invisible to us. We can find hope and courage in so many ways common to all human beings, whether they are people of our faith or other faiths. This is the time to help your fellow Leuva's and Americans, if we do not see ourselves as being at risk then we can go out of our way to be attentive to neighbors and to those who are vulnerable. Our Hindu faith is the most powerful religion in the Universe and our Leuva Community is one of the strongest and most resilient communities throughout the world.

Our Leuva community is strong and your Leuva Patidar Samaj and its board of directors would like to offer you a message of HOPE and FAITH as we work through these troubled times. We hope that everyone of you work for the common good of all and support everyone when the times of need arise. Please stay safe and do the best you can to help maintain normalcy in your lives. Our Samaj and our membership will get through this together.

Jai Ambe  
Jai Shri Krishna

Jimmy Patel  
LPS of USA President  
Gaam—Nogama



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**INDIAN COMMUNITY OF MISSISSIPPI CARES!**

**COVID-19 Relief Effort**

Joined with: **MfN MISSISSIPPI FOOD NETWORK**

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**THE INDIAN COMMUNITY OF MISSISSIPPI RAISES OVER \$22,500 FOR THE MISSISSIPPI FOOD NETWORK DURING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC**

**JACKSON** – The Indian community in Mississippi joined together to raise over \$22,500 for the Mississippi Food Network as part of their COVID-19 Relief Effort fundraiser in April.

The Mississippi Food Network is a local nonprofit food bank that provides food assistance to families in need through more than 400 member agencies throughout the state including churches and other nonprofit groups. Those member agencies distribute the food through food pantries, shelters, senior citizen programs, day care centers and more. With unemployment throughout the state at a record high due to COVID-19, leaders in the Indian community saw an immediate need to support the Mississippi Food Network in their efforts to get food in the hands of those most impacted during this crisis.

The Indian community in Mississippi has a long-standing reputation for coming together and making prominent contributions in times of crisis and for capital campaign projects. Their 9-11 committee raised over \$55,000 for a Red Cross barge. The Indian community also raised over \$100,000 following Hurricane Katrina and over \$60,000 for the Mississippi Children's Museum during its capital campaign.

Jerry "Babu" Patel, one of the COVID-19 Relief Effort organizers says, "We try to help as much as we can. Everything counts. We are in a time of need so we come together as Indians in Mississippi. To show our support, we give back to our state that has helped many of those in our community reach a long way from where we started."

Jerry "Babu" Patel, Bajratt Sharma, Phoolan Gosain and Dr. Deepika Majithia spearheaded the COVID-19 Relief Effort fundraiser.

For more information regarding the donation, please contact Jerry "Babu" Patel at jpatra059@gmail.com or 601.209.2228.

The Indian Community of Mississippi raises over \$22,500 for the Mississippi Food Network as part of their COVID-19 Relief Effort fundraiser. Thank you to the Gujarati Samaj of Mississippi members that contributed to their community during these difficult times.



**5 INDUSTRY NEWS**

**INDO-AMERICAN "SAMAJ" COMMUNITY GROUPS LEND A HAND DURING PANDEMIC**

*A national 'Samaj Strong' movement is rising in many U.S. cities*

**#SAMAJSTRONG**



Members at LPS of GA, President Jayesh Patel, pas President Kamlesh Patel and Secretary Nitin Patel with few board members, donated 2,000 face masks to in-need local hospitals. LPS of GA plans to continue to extend their generous offers throughout these unprecedented times. We are extremely proud of what they have done this far.



Leva Patidar Samaj of Houston made a monetary contribution to the Houston Police Officers' Union, for them to purchase PPE supplies for our Houston Police Officers. Special thanks to our police officers for being on the front lines and protecting our citizens as we navigate through this crisis.

*Thank you to our LPSH Members that donated to this cause.*

**#SAMAJSTRONG**

Leva Patidar Samaj of Houston partnered with King's Court - Houston to provide close to 100 meals for our Houston Police Officers today.

Special thanks to our officers for their safety and service for all of our citizens, especially during this trying time. [#SamajStrong](#)



SLPS community, in partnership with Sewa International, has been able to serve approximately 400 families one week of meals during our drive-thru food distribution. This is just one of many ways SLPS Astha has stepped-up during COVID-19 crises to extend help to communities across Dallas-Forth Worth metroplex. Thank you to Mayor Rick Stopfer for taking the time out to help us distribute the meals!



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Surekha Patel, Madhu Patel, Hetal Patel, and Dutt Patel from SLPS Aastha Charities for their generous donation of canned goods for our food pantry and Cash to help those in need in Irving... Thank you so much for your generous contribution.



**Above**  
What a kind gesture ! Gujarati Samaj of Arkansas provided meals tonight to Police Officers and 9-1-1 Communications staff. Thank you to all who volunteered and participated in cooking and delivering the meals!



**Right**

Gujarati Samaj Of Arkansas (GSA) cooked and delivered 1,651 hot meals! Since April 2020, GSA has provided over 7,628 hot meals (over \$61,024) to local hospitals, health care workers, Municipal offices of Little Rock ,and first responders.

GSA also partnered with the Arkansas Food Bank and donated over 11,000 meals for hungry Arkansans. We also wanted to give a special thanks to all the volunteers who helped make, pack, donate, and deliver the food!

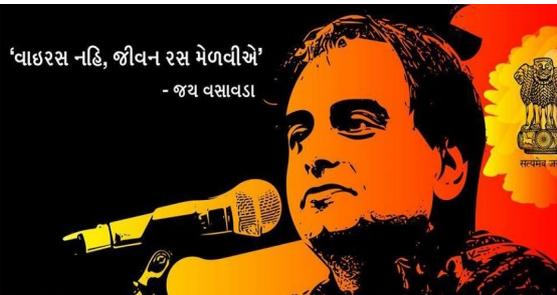
Thank you for giving GSA the honor and privilege to serve our community by providing hot meals to all those who are helping us during this pandemic! As soon as the COVID—19 pandemic is over, we hope everyone goes back to normal and continues to serve the community!



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**LPS of USA's first ever live Video Presentation from India featured well known speaker Jay Vasavada was on April 19th, 2020**

Jay Vasavada is one of the most popular authors in Gujarati print media today. His versatile columns as a special correspondent have been running in "Gujarat Samachar" for the last 20 years. His more than 1600 articles published in several publications, covered a wide eclectic array of subjects. All 15 books by him are constant bestsellers "Jay Ho", "JSK", "Mummy-Pappa", "Preet Kiye Sukh Hoy" sold over 10,000 copies. After leaving his job as a college principal in 2002, he has delivered more than 1500 public speeches on various topics across the globe and it was our honor to have him as keynote speaker at our LPS of USA conference in Dallas last year. He has also anchored and scripted TV talk



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- જય વસાવડા

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**PRESENTS**  
VIRTUAL EVENT VIA VIDEO CONFERENCE FOR THE LPS COMMUNITY  
HOSTED BY CHERISHED GUJARATI WRITER, COLUMNIST, AND JOURNALIST  
**JAY VASAVADA.**



**Our Second Video Presentation with Sanjay Raval was on April 26th, 2020**

Sanjay Raval is a well known Gujarati seaker who has an amazing ability to explain very significant information in a format that we can easily understand. He inspires individuals to live a fearless life and develop one's personality while living a positive life. His videos had been viewed by over 10 Million people on social media last year.

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**On May 15th, 2020 Mind Power Webinar from Dr. Adhia was streamed live from India**

Dr. Adhia started the Mind Training Institute in Ahmedabad to create a platform for and provide an opportunity to other trainers to offer affordable training in various subjects from a common location. He launched the 'Train-the-Trainer' Programme to equip youth to become mind trainers. More recently, he has decided to divert his time and energy from April 2011 to develop his dream project: 'A Mind University' in Ahmedabad.

**Mind Power Webinar (in Gujarati)**

માઈન્ડ પાવર સેમિનાર

**Steps to Achieve your Goals** તમારા મનની શક્તિઓ

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**Our First Ever Facebook Live Event was on Saturday May 23rd 2020 thanks to Chakku and Classic Productions**

Dr Ranjit Vank presented us with an hour of Commentary and Comedic Info.

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**Lifestyle Management in 21st Century**

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Sunday May 24th '20

**Lifetime Management in 21st Century Seminar featuring Dr. Kamal Parikh and Dr. Pradip Kansagra**

Self Improvement Seminar which was conducted via Zoom call on Sunday May 24th, 2020

# LPS of USA Scholarship Foundation Winners

This scholarship will help me further my education in ways that would not otherwise be possible. I would like to study abroad and learn in unconventional ways and environments. There are many countries I would like to visit, and one of them is Taiwan. Taiwan is an ideal location for students who are interested in global issues in sports medicine and medical treatments used for sport-related injuries. I want to understand the medical practices and treatment techniques that are very common in Taiwan but are not often used here in the United States. There are many traditional Asian therapies such as acupressure massage and fire cupping that have been proven effective for rehabilitation, and I want to see these techniques being used firsthand. I hope that the experience and knowledge I gain while in Taiwan will be something that I can use in my future profession. Ever since the beginning of high school, I have had aspirations of becoming a physical therapist. I confirmed these aspirations during my internship at a physical therapy office. The atmosphere, the different types of people you meet, and the impact you have on numerous lives every day make this job extremely fulfilling and worthwhile. I want to feel the joy in watching someone progress as they go through their rehabilitation process. During this internship, I learned so much about what a physical therapist's job entails, and I know that I will truly enjoy having this career for the rest of my life.



Thank you! I hope you have a great day! - Maya Patel



Thank you and the LPS Scholarship Foundation for making a scholarship recipient. I am grateful and proud of having the opportunity of being a part of the LPS community. Going into college, I will be representing the youth of LPS and will make sure that the scholarship board does not regret their decision. This scholarship will enable me to further pursue my undergraduate degree and ensures that I stay connected with LPS in the future.

Thank you,  
Om Desai

This scholarship will help me to achieve my goals and do what it takes to not only be a successful student, but also an outstanding financial analyst. Currently, I am at the Goizueta Business School of Emory University. Being in a very competitive area, this scholarship will also help me to stand out when I start interviewing with various companies. My studies will help to instill skills and knowledge I need to pursue a career as a financial analyst. I want to use both my finance and analytical skills to identify trends and help the company I work for make better financial decisions in the future. Eventually, I want to work my way up the company and use my position to have a positive impact on my community.

Zane Patel

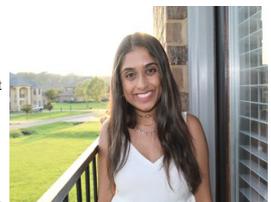


The Leuva Patidar Samaj of USA Scholarship Foundation provides many opportunities to Leuva students like myself. Not only does it support students on attaining a quality education to reach their career goals but it also supports to bridge a cultural gap for students within the Leuva community. I am very grateful to the Foundation for granting me this award. This scholarship aids me to achieve my dreams by helping me progress through optometry school. One day I will use this education to help my community. I thank this Scholarship Foundation for giving me the support to use my talents to ultimately give back to our community.

Thank you,  
Priyanka Patel

Being an LPS Foundation Scholar has made a beyond significant impact in furthering my educational aspirations. Despite the rapidly-increasing cost of education, the LPS Foundation takes the initiative to help children of first-generation immigrants, like myself, attain the formal education that many of the parents within our community were not fortunate enough to receive. This scholarship has extensively alleviated the financial burden of college from my parents by helping me cover some of the often looked-over costs such as textbooks, access codes, etc. Nevertheless, I am forever grateful to this foundation for supporting me, and many others like myself, in the pursuit of my educational goals.

Currently, I am a sophomore at the University of Mississippi pursuing a baccalaureate in General Engineering with an emphasis in Pre-Med Studies and a minor in Mathematics. Upon completing undergraduate studies, I intend on attending medical school with hopes of becoming a physician. In the future, I want to be able to contribute to my community and society as a whole in a positive manner. Furthermore, I have an endless passion for learning, and I am fascinated by the fact that medicine holds no bounds. I also enjoy interacting with people on a day-to-day basis. Therefore, I aspire to be a physician and hopefully be in a position to help others the way LPS has helped me.—Megha Patel



This scholarship will help me further my education by allowing me to stay motivated and on the right path towards my end goal of obtaining a Master of Science in Nursing. I intend to first acquire my Bachelors degree in Nursing and then go on to earn my Masters degree. After I complete my collegiate studies, I plan on applying for a job at a well known children's hospital as a Nurse Practitioner.

Tulsii Patel

The Leuva Patidar Samaj scholarship has helped me for the past couple of years in covering the cost of my higher education and has been helping our community in the U.S remain well-educated and successful. Personally, after completing my formal education, I plan on being a family practitioner in an underserved area.

Thank You,  
Tejas Patel



The average college student has a lot to worry about every day. Whether it is the lab report due in a few days, a quiz, or the exam that is coming up in a week. This scholarship has been very beneficial in helping me further my education. It has helped me focus by keeping my mind off of smaller things like money for groceries and necessities for school. This scholarship has also helped me buy my textbooks. This semester, my textbooks have been very instrumental in studying and achieving the grades I want. This scholarship not only helped me buy my textbooks this year, but it should also be enough for my textbooks for multiple semesters.

My major is civil engineering and I am also pursuing a minor in business and mathematics. The field of civil engineering consists of a plethora of different opportunities. As of right now, I am leaning towards going into land development and the structural aspect of buildings. Land development is the planning and steps taken to transform an area to make room for civilization. The next step after land development is adding structures. After finishing my formal education, I would like to get a job with a civil engineering firm that specializes in land development and buildings. I am pursuing a business minor because I also want to explore the business side of civil engineering.

Bhavin Balvant Patel

First off, I would like to thank the Leuva Patidar Samaj of USA Scholarship Foundation Board for this award. Receiving this scholarship is a great honor and privilege. I am currently a freshman at the University of Houston, C.T Bauer Honors College of Business. With this additional financial support, I am able to explore numerous opportunities to help enrich my undergraduate studies which will facilitate myself to grow as an individual. Once completing my formal education, I plan on working within the corporate finance sector.

Winston Churchill once said, "We make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give." The respective LPS of USA Scholarship Foundation Board and donors invested in numerous Leuva youths like myself and I will always be grateful for this. I will continue to serve the community to make a lasting positive impact in this world.

Sincerely,  
Vivek P. Patel | Business Honors, BBA



This scholarship will help further my education by me diverting most of my time and energy to studying. The burden of having to pay for college this semester will be less than if I did not have the opportunity of receiving this scholarship. I plan to go to medical school after graduating from college, in hopes of one day becoming a pediatric psychiatrist. Specializing in mental health has always interested me, so working towards being able to assess mental illnesses in patients is my future goal.

Priya Patel

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The LPS foundation scholarship has been a great help for myself and my family. The scholarship has provided me an opportunity to pursue educational and career opportunities in a variety of unique ways. For example, I was able to work in Boston for a brief period of time learning how to help treat a socially and medically poor population. The scholarship provided the monetary means for me to do this experience. Moreover, financial need can be a great stressor for many students and this can manifest in their studies, usually unconsciously. As a result they may not perform as well in school, and I credit the scholarship for easing this stressor for me personally. Mom, Dad, and everyone my family asks me when do I finish school? I jokingly say "never, education never ends." I am pursuing a career in medicine, and medicine is always changing, so I will always be learning. My career goals is to help those who may not be as fortunate as others in receiving healthcare. In addition, I want to be an advocate for patients who struggle to receive adequate healthcare because they are from a different background. This is something I see with our own community, especially the elderly, and I would like to help change that.

Riken Nathu

Receiving this scholarship is a honor because it showed me that Leuva Patidars cared for their future generations. It shows their compassion of how they want their future generation to succeed. The support that this scholarship provides to its recipients is a great deal because it loosens the college expense burden on students like me which means it gives us more opportunities to help us achieve our dream goals. It helps us build a better profile for pre-professional schools by volunteering more in the community and doing more extracurricular activities that we are passionate about. It teaches us the importance of service by encouraging recipients to become active member in their community. This scholarship gave me confidence and it shows that hard work will pay off in the long run which motivated me to maintain a strong work ethic to help me become successful. My career aspiration after finishing my formal education is to become family medicine practitioner. Providing the unprivileged and helping them maintain their health is my passion and I hope to make a difference in the health care community.

Kajal Desai



My name is Anjali Patel and I am honored to be one of this year's recipients for the LPS Foundation. Receiving this scholarship will further my education by pushing me towards my dreams of having a career in the medical field. My career aspirations after my formal education is complete would be to go to PA school and specialize in fertility and work in a medical aspect.

Anjali Patel

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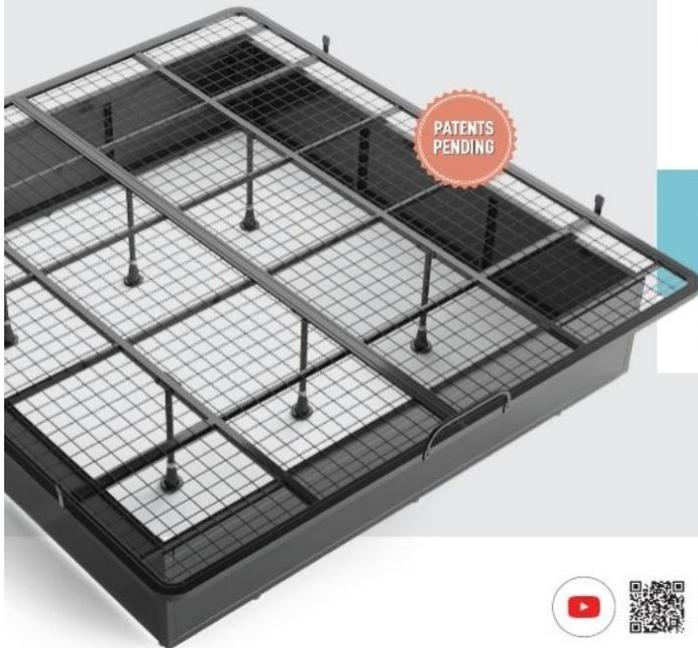
We should vow to make our mother's life easier and happier every single day not just on Mother's Day. You can do it in a lot of different ways. For starters, you can actually cut down on your screen time! Secondly, pay attention to your mom's health. Has she been eating well? Is she taking her medicines on time? Does she need to get any medical tests done as per her age? Is she overburdening herself with work? Keep us with your Mom. Take a break from your life, sit down with your mom, and get to know what is happening in her world when she is not taking care of everyone in the family. In these days of isolation and separation, be sure to remember your Mom and its a great day for a video call for you to catch up with her.



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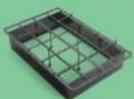
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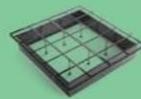
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યુએસએના એલપીએસ હવે 30 વર્ષથી વધુ સમયથી અમારી સદસ્યતા આપવાનું યાલુ રાખે છે અને આપણે આપણી જાતને એક સમુદાય તરીકે સૌથી મુશ્કેલ સમયમાં શોધીએ છીએ. આ પરિસ્થિતિ દરમિયાન અમારા એલપીએસ સમુદાયને ટેકો આપવાનું યાલુ રાખવા માટે સંગઠન શ્રેષ્ઠ માર્ગની સમીક્ષા અને મૂલ્યાંકન કરવાનું યાલુ રાખે છે.

દુર્ભાગ્યવશ, કોરોનાવાયરસને લીધે આપણી બધી ઇવેન્ટ્સને રદ કરવાનું કારણ બન્યું છે જે આ વર્ષ માટે બનાવવામાં આવી હતી. અમારી મહિલા ફૂઝ, ન્યૂ ઓર્લિયન્સમાં યુવા પ્રસંગ અને સિનિયર ઇવેન્ટ, થોડા અઠવાડિયા પહેલા રદ કરવામાં આવ્યો હતો. અમારી પાસે ઘણા જુદા જુદા શહેરોમાં ટાઉનહોલ પણ સુનિશ્ચિત થયા હતા પરંતુ અધિકારક્ષેત્રો દ્વારા લગાવવામાં આવેલા પ્રતિબંધો તેમજ અમારી સદસ્યતાની સલામતીને લીધે અમે તે તમામ ઇવેન્ટ્સ રદ કરી દીધી છે. જો કે અમે અમારી સદસ્યતાને સમર્થન આપવા અને આશાના સકારાત્મક સંદેશાઓ પ્રદાન કરવાના પ્રયત્નમાં અમારા સભ્યોને જાણીતા વક્તાઓની વિડિઓ કોન્ફરન્સ આપવાનું શરૂ કર્યું છે. વાયરસએ આપણી જાતને શીખવ્યું છે, કે આપણે મુશ્કેલ સમય દરમિયાન આપણી નર્વને પકડી રાખીએ છીએ અને એક બીજાને સ્થિર રાખીએ છીએ. આપણે જરૂરિયાત સમયે એકબીજાને સાંત્વના આપીએ છીએ અને મુશ્કેલીભર્યા સમયમાં એકબીજાને સાચા અર્થમાં ટેકો આપીએ છીએ. આપણે હવામાનના મુશ્કેલ અને વ્યક્તિગત આર્થિક સમયમાં આપણા સ્થિતિસ્થાપકતા પ્રત્યેની સ્થિતિસ્થાપકતા પર ગર્વ અનુભવું જોઈએ.

કોરોનાવાયરસ જોકે એવી વસ્તુ છે કે જેણે સમાજ તરીકે આપણને સંપૂર્ણ રીતે આંધળા કરી દીધી છે. આ રોગચાળો કંઈક બીજું છે; તમે વાયરસને સ્પર્શ કરી શકતા નથી, તેને જોઈ અથવા જાણતા નથી કે તે ક્યાં છે. તે તે લોકો દ્વારા ફેલાવવામાં આવી શકે છે, જેમને ખબર નથી હોતી કે તેઓ ચેપગ્રસ્ત છે. તે કેટલાક માટે ખૂબ ગંભીર છે, ઘણા લોકો માટે ખૂબ જ હળવી. તેમ છતાં, વાયરસની અસર અમને અલગ કરી શકે છે. જ્યારે આપણે કોઈની કાળજી લઈએ છીએ ત્યારે તે અલગ હોવું જોઈએ. તે ખાસ કરીને આપણા વરિષ્ઠ સમુદાય અને સૌથી સંવેદનશીલ લોકો માટે સાચું છે, જેના પલંગ પર આપણે બેસીને તેમનો હાથ પકડવાની ઇચ્છા રાખીએ છીએ અને સ્પર્શથી આપણો પ્રેમ વ્યક્ત કરીએ છીએ. સમગ્ર ઇતિહાસમાં રોગચાળાની જેમ, આ ભયની અસરો આપણને ખૂબ ખલેલ પહોંચાડે છે અને ભય આપણા પર આવે છે. આ ભયને જીતવાનો જવાબ આપણી શ્રદ્ધા છે. એલપીએસ સમુદાયની સંભાળ રાખવાની સંસ્કૃતિ છે, તે અમારા સ્થાનિક સમાજ દ્વારા વ્યક્ત કરી છે, અમારા મિત્રો અને સાથીદારો સાથે અને અન્ય ઘણી રીતે કામ કરે છે. આપણી આશા એ છે કે આપણે શું કરી શકીએ, આપણે કોણ છીએ અને ભગવાન અને આપણી હિન્દુ માન્યતાઓમાંની અમારી શ્રદ્ધા છે.

આપણે એક બીજાની સંભાળ રાખવી જોઈએ, એ જાણીને કે નવા વાયરસની અનિશ્ચિત દુનિયામાં આપણે પ્રામાણિકતા, કરુણા અને કાળજીથી શ્રેષ્ઠ સુરક્ષિત રહીએ છીએ. એલપીએસની જેમ આપણે આ પહેલેથી જ પ્રેક્ટિસ કરીએ છીએ પરંતુ આ અનિશ્ચિત સમયમાં આપણે આપણા સાથી એલપીએસ તેમજ અમારા સાથી અમેરિકનોને મદદ કરીએ છીએ તેની ખાતરી કરવા આ વધારવાની જરૂર રહેશે. આપણી હિન્દુ માન્યતાઓ આપણને યાદ અપાવે છે કે આપણે એકબીજાની કાળજી લેવાની જરૂર છે અને ખાતરી કરો કે આપણે મુશ્કેલીમાં મુસી રહેલા લોકો માટે પણ ધ્યાન રાખવું જોઈએ, પછી ભલે તે આપણા માટે અદ્રશ્ય હોય. આપણે આશા અને હિંમત ઘણા બધા માણસોમાં સામાન્ય શોધી શકીએ છીએ, પછી ભલે તે આપણા વિશ્વાસના લોકો હોય અથવા અન્ય માન્યતાઓમાં હોય. તમારા સાથી લ્યુવા અને અમેરિકનોને મદદ કરવાનો આ સમય છે, જો આપણે પોતાને જોખમમાં મૂકવાનું ન જોતા હોઈએ તો આપણે પડોશીઓ અને નબળા લોકો પ્રત્યે સચેત રહેવાની રીતથી આગળ વધી શકીએ છીએ. આપણો હિન્દુ આસ્થા બ્રહ્માંડનો સૌથી શક્તિશાળી ધર્મ છે અને આપણો એલપીએસ સમુદાય વિશ્વભરમાં એક સૌથી મજબૂત અને સ્થિતિસ્થાપક સમુદાયો છે.

આપણો એલપીએસ સમુદાય સશક્ત છે અને તમારો એલપીએસ સમાજ અને તેના ડાયરેક્ટર મંડળ તમને આ મુશ્કેલીમાં મુકતા સમયમાં કામ કરી રહ્યા હોવાથી તમને આશા અને વિશ્વાસનો સંદેશ આપવા માંગશે. અમે આશા રાખીએ છીએ કે તમારામાંના દરેકના બધાના સમાન સારા માટે કામ કરો અને જ્યારે જરૂરિયાતનો સમય આવે ત્યારે દરેકનું સમર્થન કરો. ફૂપા કરીને સલામત રહો અને તમારા જીવનમાં સામાન્યતા જાળવવા માટે શ્રેષ્ઠ પ્રયાસ કરો. આપણો સમાજ અને આપણી સદસ્યતા આનાથી મળીને મળશે.

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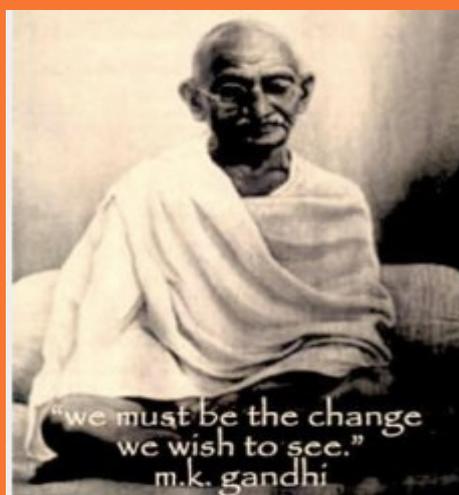
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