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Dear Friends of Samskrita Bharati,

नमस्ते | Deepavali Greetings to you and your family. Samskrita Bharati continues to advance its core mission of promoting Samskritam learning and teaching in North America. We have come this far with your unstinted support, financial contributions and your deep faith in Samskrita Bharati's mission. Our programs cater to a diverse age range (children, youth and adults), with the goal of making Samskritam an integral part of our lives. The Samskritam language upholds our rich and diverse cultural heritage, and broadens our horizons so we may progress spiritually and intellectually.

Children and young adults are our future and integral to growth of samskritam

More than two decades of persistent efforts by our volunteers and well-wishers have resulted in thousands of people in North America learning Samskritam. Majority of them have continued their learning and are now able to converse in Samskritam. This has provided a firm base of Samskritam speakers and teachers whose dedicated efforts have helped our movement to grow organically. Additionally, this has helped us to shift our focus on teaching our future generations - children and young adults. We now conduct 'Samskrita-kendram' programs (i.e. classes where children, their parents and others study together in one location) in 19 chapters. Our volunteers also conduct 'Bālavarga' i.e. children's only classes in collaboration with other like-minded organizations in eleven of our chapters. Taken together, more than 1400 children learn Samskritam currently. The increasing interest in children's classes gives us hope for the fulfillment of Samskrita Bharati's mission of making Samskritam an everyday spoken language.

The Samskritam As a Foreign Language (SAFL) program for young adults in grades 8 to 12 has also seen consistent growth with 298 students currently enrolled in this program. Similarly, the "Campus Samskritam Network" (CSN) and "SAFL Alumni Association" (SAA) provide opportunities for university students to learn Samskritam and also act a useful platform for our SAFL alumni to have a continuing association with Samskrita Bharati. All these are planned efforts to help us nurture Samskritam scholars who can assume leadership roles for future generations.

Growth of Samskrita Bharati as an organization

Samskrita Bharati currently has 40 chapters in USA and Canada, and is poised for further growth with more than 350 dedicated volunteers. More than half of these volunteers regularly teach weekly classes. More than two hundred families use Samskritam as one of the languages for communication at home. Residential weekend family camps or the week-long youth camps continue to attract new attendees as well as those who have been learning Samskritam. Last year, we organized 57 programs across the country to promote Samskritam.

We need your support

Samskrita Bharati conducts its programs and activities primarily with generous financial support from well-wishers like you. Your contributions are tax-deductible to the extent allowed by law. You can send in your contribution by check (see **page 4** for details) or contribute online at http://sbusa.org. Please contact us by phone (408-752-2182) or by email (info@sbusa.org) if you have any questions or need more information.

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Natesa Janakiraman, President



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संस्कृतभारत्याः प्रियसुहृदः,

नमो नमः । भवद्भ्यः भवतां कुटुम्बेभ्यः च दीपावाल्याः शुभाशयाः । संस्कृतभारत्याः संस्कृत-शिक्षणाध्ययन-कार्याणि उत्तर-अमेरिका-खण्डे सम्यक् वर्धमानानि सन्ति । भवताम् अविच्छिन्नसाहाय्येन, धनप्रधानेन, पूर्णविश्वासेन च एव वयम् एतादृशीं प्रगतिं साधितवन्तः । अस्माकं कार्यक्रमणां ध्येयम् अस्ति आबालवृद्धानां सर्वेषां दैनन्दिनजीवने संस्कृतं प्रमुखभागं वहेत् इति । अस्माकं वैविध्यपूर्णाम् उन्नतां संस्कृतिम् अभिवर्धयितुं तथैव ज्ञानदृष्ट्या आध्यात्मिकदृष्ट्या च स्वप्रगतिं साधयितुमपि संस्कृतभाषा सहकरी भवितुमर्हति ।

बालाः युवकाः च अस्मद्भविष्यं तथा संस्कृतवर्धनार्थम् अत्यावश्यकाः च

संस्कृतभारत्याः कार्यकर्तॄणां तथा भवादृशानां हितैषिणां च त्रयोविंशतिवर्षाणां निरन्तरपरिश्रमेण उत्तर-अमेरिका-खण्डे सहस्राधिकाः जनाः इदानीं संस्कृतसम्भाषणे समर्थाः सन्ति । पूर्वम् अस्माकं कार्यक्रमाः प्रौढकेन्द्रिताः आसन् । अनया रीत्या संस्कृतसम्भाषकाणां शिक्षकाणां च आधारभूमिः निर्मिता येन संस्कृतान्दोलनस्य सङ्घटनशक्तिः प्रवृद्धा । अधुना कार्यक्रमाः बालान् युवजनान् च केन्द्रीकृत्य आयोज्यन्ते । इदानीं नवदशसु स्थानेषु संस्कृतकेन्द्राणि सञ्चाल्यन्ते यत्र बालाः तेषां मातापितरश्च समानकाले संस्कृतं पठन्ति । अन्येषु एकादशकेन्द्रेषु अन्यसंस्थानाम् आश्रये अस्माकं कार्यकर्तारः बालवर्गान् अपि चालयन्ति यत्र केवलं बालाः पठन्ति । आहत्य साम्प्रतं >१४०० बालाः संस्कृतं पठन्ति । एवमेव विदेशभाषारूपेण संस्कृतम् (SAFL) इत्यस्मिन् कार्यक्रमे इदानीम् अष्टमे वर्गे अथवा प्रौढशालायां वा पठन्तः २९८ छात्राः पञ्जीकृतवन्तः सन्ति । संस्कृतानुरागिणां विश्वविद्यालयच्छात्राणां संस्कृतरुचिं वर्धयितुं, तेषां परस्परं सम्पर्कं साधियतुं च वयं "Campus Samskritam Network" (CSN) नामकं जनजालं, "SAFL Alumni Association" (SAA) नामकं जनसमूहं च रचितवन्तः । बाल-किशोर-युवकेभ्यः संयोजिताः एते विविधशिक्षणप्रकल्पाः भविष्यकालिकान् भारतीयसंस्कृतिपरान् संस्कृतज्ञान् वर्धयेयुः ।

संस्कृतभारत्याः प्रवृद्धिः

साम्प्रतम् उत्तर-अमेरिका-खण्डे संस्कृतभारत्याः चत्वारिंशत्-स्थानेषु आहत्य >३५० कार्यकर्तारः श्रद्धया कार्यं कुर्वन्ति । एतेषु नैके प्रतिसप्ताहं शिक्षणं कुर्वन्ति । द्विशताधिकेषु कुटुम्बेषु प्रतिदिनं सम्भाषणार्थं संस्कृतमपि उपयुज्यते । जाह्नव्यादीनि कुटुम्बशिबिराणि प्रज्ञादीनि युवशिबिराणि च नूतन-समुदायान् आकर्षन्ति । सप्तपञ्चाशत् संस्कृत-प्रचार-कार्यक्रमाः भिन्नेषु नगरेषु आयोजिताः ।

भवतां साहाय्यम् आवश्यकम्

उपरि सूचितानां कार्यक्रमाणाम् आयोजनं भवादृशानां हितैषिणां सहयोगेनैव शक्यम् । करमुक्तं व्यवकलनार्हं समर्पणं धनपत्ररूपेण (चतुर्थं पुटं पश्यन्तु) वा जालस्थानेन वा (http://sbusa.org) प्रेष्यतामिति प्रार्थयामहे । प्रश्नाः, सूचनाः वा सन्ति चेत् दूरवाण्या (408-752-2182), विद्युत्पत्रेण (info@sbusa.org) वा अस्माकं सम्पर्कं कुर्वन्तु ।

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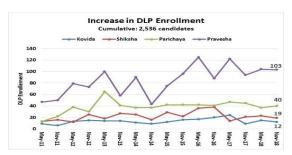
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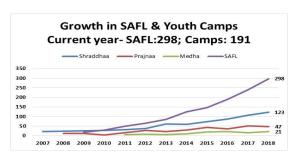


Information about Samskrita Bharati's Activities

Since its inception in 1995, Samskrita Bharati's footprints have grown significantly in scope. Currently, we operate in many metropolitan areas across the country with the help of more than 350 dedicated volunteers. Our unique Samskritam learning program caters to people of all ages – children, high school going youth, college students and adults. In addition to age appropriate Samskritam classes, we conduct community outreach programs like Samskritadinam. We conducted residential family camps in five locations attracting nearly 750 people. Similarly, around 200 teenagers attended the three youth camps associated with the SAFL program. Information and highlights about our various activities are indicated below.

- 1. Classes for Adults: Nearly seventy beginner and advanced classes for adults were conducted with a cumulative attendance of over 1100 people at various centers across the US. We continue to offer weekly study groups held either in-person or online to provide an opportunity for people to continue their Samskritam learning throughout the year. If you would like to coordinate a new Samskritam class in your area, please send us an email (workshop@sbusa.org) or call us at 408-752-2182.
- 2. Samskrita-kendram Academic Year Program for children and their parents: In the past year, nearly 200 volunteers helped us run weekly classes for children (Kindergarten to seventh grade) in 28 chapters across the nation with an attendance of over 1200 students. Since the past three years, we have adopted a more formal structure under the name "Samskrita-kendram" where both children as well as their parents learn Samskritam at the same time. Our goal is to have one such Samskrita-kendram in every chapter. If you are interested to help start a Samskrita-kendram in your city, please send us an email to info@sbusa.org or call us at 408-752-2182.
- **3. Distance Learning Program (DLP)** is a self-study program and has four levels. The program is a great opportunity to learn Samskritam at a convenient pace. Exams are offered twice a year in May and in November. Weekly classes are offered to help students learn the material as well as to improve their conversational skills. The growth of DLP at each level is shown in the adjoining illustration. For further information, please contact us at DLP@sbusa.org.
- **4. Samskritam As a Foreign Language (SAFL) Program**: This is a three-year program that provides an avenue for high school students to learn Samskritam as part of their high school foreign language requirement. Enrollment in SAFL program and the associated youth camps has steadily grown over the years and is illustrated in the adjacent graph. Enrollment for the next academic year (2019-20) will begin in February 2019. For details, please write to SAFL@sbusa.org.





5. Campus Samskritam Network (CSN) and SAFL Alumni Association (SAA): The CSN program offers an opportunity for college students interested in Samskritam to continue learning (or start learning) the Samskritam language and be part of a network of youth with similar interests. In addition, to keep SAFL Alumni engaged, we have started a new program called SAFL Alumni Association (SAA). For details, please write to CSN@sbusa.org

Please introduce a friend or family member to Samskrita Bharati.

An overview of revenue and expenses for the past year

Revenue	Amount	Expenses	Amount
Bookstore	\$63,427	Bookstore	\$26,170
Camps and Classes	\$390,731	Camps and Classes	\$292,925
Contributions	\$305,892	For Samskritam work in India	\$290,500
SAFL, DLP and other	\$245,141	Operations (website, insurance etc.,)	\$79,948
		Operations (salaries and wages)	\$292,276
Misc (non-categorized)	\$54,605	Misc (non-categorized)	\$33,900
		Earmarked for SBUSA Endowment	\$44,077
Revenue Total	\$1,059,796	Expenses Total	\$1,059,796

We rely on contributions from well-wishers like you to run our programs. May we request a generous contribution from you? Please see below for ways to contribute.

- 1) Online using credit card on our website http://samskritabharatiusa.org
- 2) By sending a check payable to Samskrita Bharati using the form given below
- 3) By giving a check along with the form given below to your local coordinator or volunteer-instructor

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Address (Street, City, State and Zip):				
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Name of the company you work for (Cisco, Intel, Microsoft etc.):				
Does your company match employee contributions to non-profits? Yes No Don't Know If yes, please let us know what Samskrita Bharati needs to do to get the matching contribution.				
Payment by Check I am hereby enclosing a personal check (payable to Samskrita Bharati) for the amount specified below				
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