

18 October 2016

To

United Way 309, Nirman Kendra, Famous Studio Lane, Dr. E. Moses Road, Mahalaxmi, Mumbai - 400011

Dear Janet,

I am writing this letter to thank United Way for the support provided to our staff on various occasions in the last few months.

Urja runs a shelter home for young, homeless and runaway women (18 - 35 years) who decided to stand up to abuse at home and leave. We aim at creating a positive and safe environment for such women so they can redesign their lives and become financially and emotionally independent.

In 2016, we had a new admission who suffered from Hepatitis B. We have an inclusive approach and wanted to better understand the options available to us to take precautions and safety measures for the woman and the other members of the shelter as well. Since United Way had conducted training for us in 2013, we were aware of the work that they do in this area and immediately reached out to them to for their expertise.

We have received immense support from United Way since then, be it the prompt setting up of the meeting, explaining us in detail about Hepatitis B, conducting counselling session for the impacted girl and her partner, and arranging for further evaluation by an expert. Over and above this, a session was conducted for our staff and women in the shelter, almost 30 people attended the same. We are also looking forward to the vaccination drive for Hepatitis B

We would once again like to thank United W ay and in particular Anil Parmar and Dr. Shailendra for their continuous efforts in creating awareness and knowledge about Hepatitis B within Urja.

Thanks and regards,

Deepa Pawar Social Worker

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