



LET US DREAM

*Building a Holistic Community: Strategies and Solutions
Annual Community Conference 2024*

21st September 2024

ST. FRANCIS COLLEGE FOR WOMEN
HYDERABAD, INDIA



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ABOUT US

The Let Us Dream Conference provides a platform to share, learn, and celebrate people and social service groups dedicated to uplift the society. Since its inception in 2017 at Louisiana Tech University, USA the annual conferences have provided opportunities to engage in active conversations grounded in community-improvement-based research, experience, and best practices. The conferences are organized by groups of volunteers and hosted in institutions across the world.

The Conference is a forum for initiating a spectrum of service possibilities and intervention models to promote and support engagement in volunteerism across generations. It was established to effectively network and collaborate with volunteers, philanthropists, and community organizations, thereby empowering them in diverse community-improvement programs.

LUD opens opportunities for students, researchers, along with practitioners to share from their knowledge and experiences. This synergizes the effort and impact towards community improvement. Volunteers from local communities participating in the conference can engage in fruitful dialogues with visionaries to strengthen their existing initiatives.



HISTORY

The Let Us Dream Conference was launched in 2017 at Louisiana Tech University, USA. The first annual conference provided a forum to share experiences, activities, challenges, and achievements to recognize the pressing need for community improvement.

Featuring prominent keynote speakers and three panel discussions pertaining to Education, Health, and Social Service, the conference resonated with immense success among its 200 participants. Over the years, the Conference sites have expanded to three additional localities and evolved to include annual locally-hosted events and an international one.

This year's conference will provide a transnational forum for networking and collaboration. It offers an opportunity to explore and share many, varied community-service possibilities and intervention models, as well as volunteer opportunities for both, younger and older generations. The primary intent is to create an inclusive, diverse, cross-cultural environment for sharing and growth all of this executed through community improvement initiatives among scholars, practitioners, and volunteers of all ages.



VISION

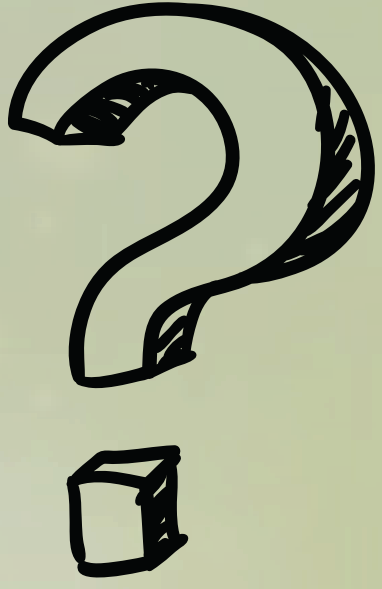
Empowering local communities for sustainable global impact and improvement

1. Promote community intervention research and learning.
2. Share experiences of community organizations.
3. Engage compassionate individuals in community empowerment



MISSION

WHY PARTICIPATE?



- Empower people of diverse age groups and backgrounds working in a myriad of community improvement programs aiming at a better tomorrow.
- Non-profit organizations, philanthropists, board members, social workers, educators, and educational administrators interested in community collaborative initiatives.
- The Let Us Dream Conference is presented to: Post-secondary student leaders, instructors, and professors who can promote community service and learning among students by introducing diverse community improvement interventions.
- Business owners involved in voluntary community development projects and retirees willing to share expertise and time for the betterment of the community.

HOW CAN IT IMPACT YOU?

YOUR CONTRIBUTION TO THE COMMUNITY MATTERS, AND THIS CONFERENCE PROVIDES:

- An invitation to share, learn, support and celebrate the diversity of our selfless acts and initiatives around us.
- A forum for sharing experiences, including the success and challenges in community improvement organizations and efforts.
- Your contribution to the community matters, and this Conference provides: Inviting individuals with bigger hearts and deeper thoughts for society and its progress



UNIQUE VALUE PROPOSITIONS



- Globally located but locally established bridging researchers and practitioners.
- Promoting solution-focused culture by introducing diverse and creative solutions.
- Believing the vision of global inclusion, global citizenship and one world.
- Targeting volunteers and promoting volunteerism.
- Developing partnerships and opportunities for collaboration, both locally and globally, free of cost.

THEME

BUILDING A HOLISTIC COMMUNITY : STRATEGIES & SOLUTIONS

The Let Us Dream (LUD) Conferences are dedicated to building holistic communities through a comprehensive and interconnected approach that touches every aspect of community life. This vision centers on the idea that creating sustainable, thriving communities requires more than just addressing immediate needs—it involves fostering long-term resilience and growth. At the core of this strategy is the creation of inclusive spaces that promote social interaction and strengthen the bonds that hold communities together.

Education plays a crucial role in this process, with an emphasis on developing programs that cater to all ages and abilities. Universities are key partners in this effort, driving research, innovation, and education that equip communities with the tools they need for sustainable development. By collaborating with educational institutions, the aim is to ensure that future generations are well-prepared to contribute meaningfully to their communities.

Healthcare is also a critical focus, with a strong commitment to ensuring accessible and equitable health services that address both physical and mental well-being. The belief is that a community's health is foundational to its overall sustainability, and initiatives are designed to ensure that every individual has access to the care they need.

Environmental stewardship is another key pillar, with a focus on promoting sustainable practices that protect and enhance the natural environment. This includes efforts to manage resources responsibly, reduce waste, and address the impacts of climate change. By integrating environmental consciousness into community life, the goal is to create spaces that are not only resilient but also in harmony with the natural world.

Economic development is equally important, with strategies aimed at fostering robust local economies that provide opportunities for all. Supporting small businesses, encouraging entrepreneurship, and ensuring inclusive growth are vital to building communities where everyone has the chance to prosper.

Central to this approach is collaboration across sectors—including NGOs, businesses, and local leaders. These partnerships are essential for developing innovative solutions tailored to the unique needs of each community. Through collective action and shared learning, best practices are exchanged, and stronger, more resilient communities are built.

Ultimately, the goal is to create cohesive, supportive environments where every individual has the opportunity to thrive. By addressing social, educational, health, environmental, and economic aspects as interconnected parts of a whole, the vision of building empowered, sustainable communities becomes a reality, ensuring a better future for all.

HOST INSTITUTION



ST FRANCIS COLLEGE FOR WOMEN
HYDERABAD, INDIA

St. Francis College for Women is a Catholic Minority Institution founded by the Sisters of Charity of Sts. Bartolomea Capitanio and Vincenza Gerosa in 1959, for the education of women. The college derives its inspiration from the person and teachings of Jesus Christ, who is its norm, protector and guide.

St. Francis College is autonomous, affiliated to Osmania University. The college was recognized under Sec. 2(f) 12B of the University Grants Commission in 1964 and conferred the Status of Autonomy through letter No. F. 24-7/87 (NFE) dated 9 May, 1988. One of the first autonomous colleges in the twin cities, affiliated to Osmania University, St. Francis College is NAAC reaccredited with A Grade in the 4th cycle. In 2004, UGC has declared the college as College with Potential for Excellence. St. Francis College has been ranked in 100-150 band in NIRF ranking in 2024.

The College continues to serve the cause of education of women with varied academic programmes intertwined with co-curricular activities, civic and social responsibility initiatives, cultural and aesthetic promotion, physical fitness and value education. The college curriculum is based on UGC advocated Choice Based Credit System.

Inspired by the visionary leadership of St. Bartholomea, Foundress of the Sisters of Charity, St. Francis College is dedicated to its vision of providing Holistic Education for the Empowerment of Women. The college's mission is to shape women who are intellectually proficient, morally upright, socially responsible, emotionally resilient, spiritually enlightened, and deeply patriotic, fostering their development as empowered citizens of India.

HOST INSTITUTION



LOYOLA ACADEMY
HYDERABAD, INDIA

Loyola Academy is managed and administered by the Jesuits of Andhra-Telangana Province of the Society of Jesus, an international Catholic religious order. Loyola Academy Degree & PG College as well as Loyola Academy Junior College were founded by Fr. T. Balaiah, SJ in 1976 at Old Alwal, Secunderabad, Telangana, India. The college is affiliated to Osmania University and was granted Autonomous status in 1992 for Degree courses and PG courses in 2010. Appreciating the achievements and qualitative pursuit of Higher Education needs, UGC awarded Loyola Academy "A College with Potential for Excellence" (CPE) in 2008. In addition to this, National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC) reaccredited the college (3rd cycle) in the year 2019 with 'A' grade. Loyola Academy is a spacious eco-friendly campus with excellent infrastructure. The Institution offers unique and job oriented professional courses for Under Graduate and Post Graduate students. It aims at moulding young minds into extraordinary individuals.



SRI VISHNU EDUCATIONAL SOCIETY
HYDERABAD, INDIA

Sri Vishnu Educational Society (SVES) is an educational trust run by visionaries right from its inception in 1992. Our founder chairman Late Padma Bhushan Dr. B.V. Raju, through his excellent vision and foresight established many educational institutions. The society aims and strives for continuous improvement in field of education and is committed to delivering world class education in various fields to students from different stream. An Industrialist, Educationist and Social Entrepreneur, Sri K V Vishnu Raju took over the reins of SVES in 2002. He brought in a global outlook, strategic vision and passion for social enterprise and institution-building. B V Raju Institute of Technology (BVRIT), Narsapur was established under the aegis of SVES in the year 1997. BVRIT was granted UGC - Autonomous Status from the year 2014. The Institute is also duly approved by the AICTE and the Government of Telangana State and is affiliated to JNTU, HYDERABAD. It offers 13 undergraduate programs 6 postgraduate engineering programs. BVRIT HYDERABAD College of Engineering for Women (BVRITH), the youngest offspring of Sri Vishnu Educational Society (SVES) founded by Chairman Sri K V Vishnu Raju in 2012. It is established with the Vision & Mission to empower the women to aspire for a better career in their life. BVRITH was granted UGC autonomous status from AY 2023-24.

CHAIRS OF THE CONFERENCE



Mr. Vijay

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(HEALTH PANEL)

CONFERENCE SPEAKERS & PANEL MEMBERS

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Speaker:

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Panel members:

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HEALTH PANEL

Speaker:

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SOCIAL PANEL

Speaker:

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CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

TIME	PARTICULARS
9:30- 10:00 AM	Registrations
10:00-10:30 AM	Inaugural Session
10:30- 11:15 AM	Address by Keynote speaker
11:15 - 11:30 AM	Break
11:30 - 1:00 PM	Education, Social & Health Panel
1:00 - 2:00 PM	Lunch
2:00 - 3:00 pm	Changemakers
3:00 - 4:00 pm	Valedictory

REGISTRATION

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