

Institutional Distinctiveness

Social Commitment

Social awareness is considered as a priority and one of the main thrust areas of St. Francis College for Women and therefore numerous opportunities are given to its students to instill social responsibility and commitment in our students leading to a more Holistic development of their personality.

The student community: The College has a strong NSS team, well developed NCC Program and has incorporated outreach and extension activities into its regular curriculum at undergraduate as well as post graduate level.

The various extension activities can be broadly categorized under the following heads, Awareness programmes pertaining: General and Mental health, drugs, Human rights, Gender sensitization etc.

Health camps such as eye camps, blood donation camps, cancer screening, etc.

Youth empowerment programmes

Participation in cleanliness and tree plantation drives

Resource mobilization for and visits to old age homes, orphanages, home for the destitute.

Raising contribution towards Natural disasters.

The Swarnojwala scheme - 'Rural outreach & adoption' programme, initiated by the college to address the issue of gender parity and quality education for all. This scheme aims to provide education to girls who are economically backward and first-generation learners from rural backgrounds. This programme takes care of the financial, academic, boarding and the social needs of the student during the academic years that they are at St. Francis College. Faculty mentors are allotted to advise the students on various aspects of college life, course choices and adjustment issues. A total of 37 students have already graduated successfully; some are gainfully employed and some are preparing for higher education.

Student clubs: The 5 faculty-based student clubs regularly organise outreach programmes. The Samaritan Transcend of COFEE club dedicated to community orientation; GLEE that is the outreach programme of Spectrum; Smile club's 'Ummeedonkamela', initiative of educating two girl children from KG to PG and Expression's "Goonj" all make sincere and continuous efforts in reaching out to the needy.

Alumnae: The alumnae are supportive of the efforts that college makes towards social outreach initiatives it helps in identifying meritorious & deserving students from rural areas for the Swarnojwala scheme, they visit schools in rural Telangana for supplying them with their most urgent needs. Liaisoning with external agencies to provide aid to marginalized sections of society that the college identifies. Donating in cash & kind in support of the college's relief efforts in case of natural calamities and initiating a health insurance scheme for the employees of the college.

Vajrojwala: This is a Village adoption programme launched as part of the Diamond Jubilee celebrations. Yedulapur village in Medak district has been identified as the beneficiary village. Under this the college is working towards provision of Educational needs, health & hygiene needs and Financial literacy and entrepreneurship needs of the village community.

A few students after their experience at St. Francis have gone back to help the NGOs and a number of faculty members have been recognised by external agencies for the programmes initiated by them for the students.