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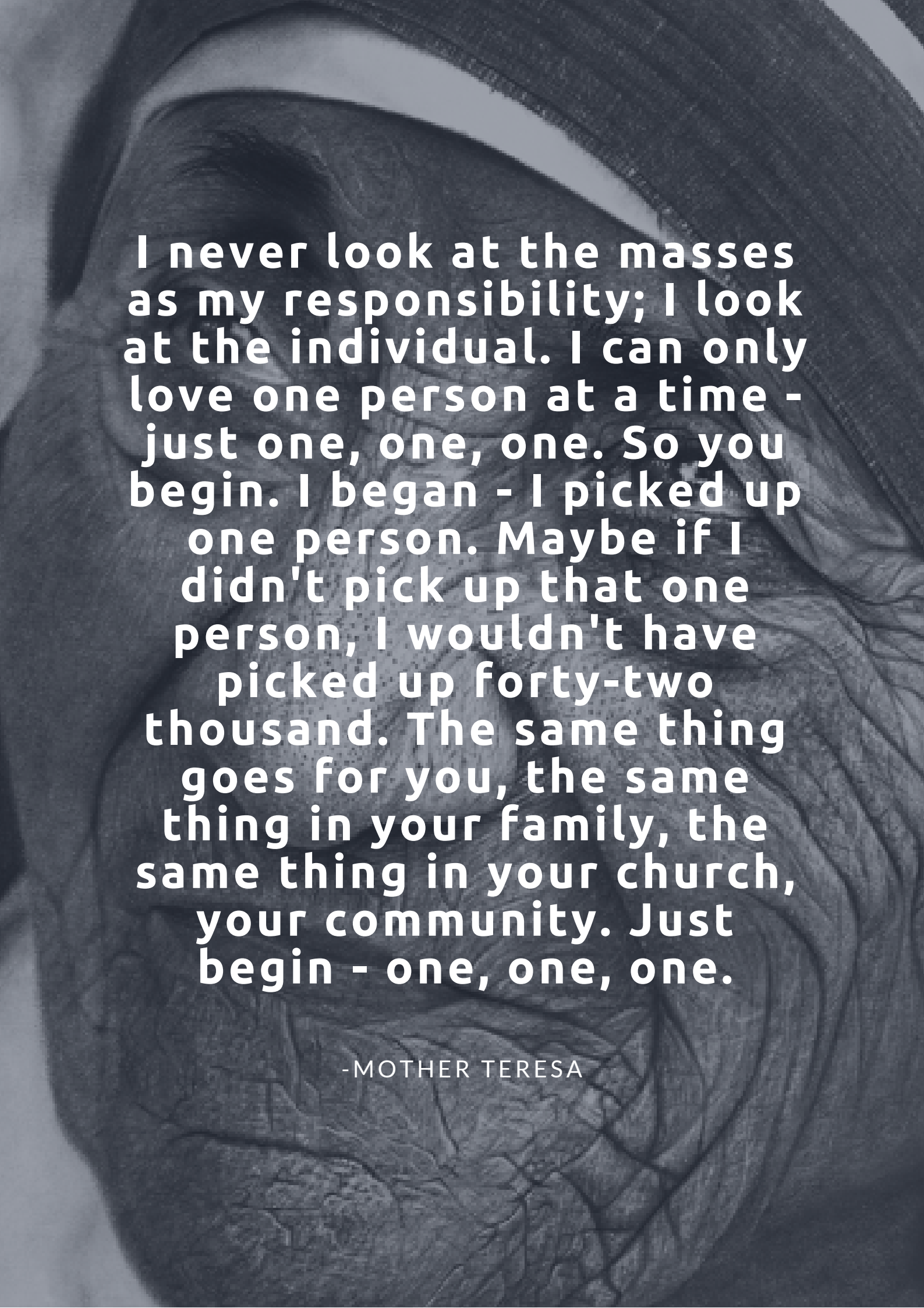


SO FAR, WE'VE PROVIDED



**12,174,258**  
HOT AND NUTRITIOUS MEALS  
& COUNTING

**SDG 2: ZERO HUNGER BY 2030**



**I never look at the masses as my responsibility; I look at the individual. I can only love one person at a time - just one, one, one. So you begin. I began - I picked up one person. Maybe if I didn't pick up that one person, I wouldn't have picked up forty-two thousand. The same thing goes for you, the same thing in your family, the same thing in your church, your community. Just begin - one, one, one.**

-MOTHER TERESA

# THE JOY OF GIVING

In a world where material possessions often seem to be the measure of success, there exists a beacon of hope that shines brightly through the acts of selflessness and compassion. At Roti Bank, a heartwarming movement has been unfolding, bringing together people from various walks of life to experience the profound Joy of Giving.

This month, we have witnessed an outpouring of support from diverse groups, including students from PCGT, esteemed individuals like Dr. Shefali Batra, Dr. Prerana Tahiliani, Ms. Sweety Bachado from Anand Rathi Global Finance Limited, Mr. Sumit Kaul and his team from Sharp Busines Systems (India) Private Limited, all driven by a common purpose - to alleviate hunger and spread joy.

The joy of giving at the Roti Bank is a testament to the remarkable difference we can make when we come together with a shared vision of compassion and care. It proves that the most precious gifts are not material possessions but the warmth and love we bestow upon others.

If you too wish to experience the unparalleled joy of giving and join the mission to eradicate hunger, the doors of the Roti Bank are always open, waiting to embrace you into its loving community of volunteers.





## Compassion in Action

Ms. Amritha Manikantan, a compassionate and socially conscious Grade 12 student from JBCN International School, Parel, exemplified the spirit of empathy and service by volunteering for food distribution outside Tata and KEM hospital. Despite her academic commitments, she dedicated her time and efforts to help those in need during challenging times. Her selfless act of joining the food distribution initiative showcases the immense potential of young individuals to make a positive impact on society. Through her actions, Ms. Amritha Manikantan demonstrated that even in the face of adversity, the power of compassion and community can bring hope and support to those who need it most.



## Testimonials

I recently had the opportunity to volunteer by distributing food near KEM hospital to those waiting outside. This experience helped me realise the value of helping out someone else and how it's important to be generous. I definitely plan on continuing volunteering with roti bank as its a wonderful way to contribute and understand the local community.

-Ms. Amritha Manikantan  
Student volunteer



# GENEROUS DONATIONS OF GRAINS FOSTER HOPE

In the face of adversity, humanity's true spirit shines through acts of kindness and compassion. As the world grapples with the challenges of hunger and food insecurity, heartening gestures of generosity continue to inspire hope. Throughout the month of July, several individuals and communities came together to make a difference, exemplifying the power of unity and community spirit.

In a heartwarming display of compassion, Dr. Archana Jadhav and team from Garden Court CHS, the students of Cathedral IAYP, Mr. Shailesh Jadhav and his team from Sumeru CHS, Ms. Minakshi and Residents of Ashok Tower demonstrated their unwavering commitment to helping those in need. Their huge donations of grains not only provided immediate relief to the underprivileged but also served to strengthen the bonds within their respective communities.

As we move forward, let us be driven by the indomitable spirit of these individuals and communities, forging ahead with unity, compassion, and hope. Together, we can create a future where acts of kindness become the norm, and no one in our midst goes to bed hungry.







## PCGT Interns Visit Our Kitchen: A Journey of Learning and Giving

Public Concern for Governance Trust (PCGT) is a registered Trust founded in Mumbai in April 2002 by three eminent citizens Late Mr. B. G. Deshmukh, Mr. J. F. Ribeiro and Dr. R. K. Anand to strive towards good governance, containing corruption, inculcating values and enhancing sadbhavana. PCGT runs a month-long internship program for college students each month, mostly from colleges of Law and Social Sciences, in which students actively participate in the programs including, RTI/RTS, YFG, and Kuchh Aur along with the PCGT staff June 14th was a remarkable day for our kitchen facility as we welcomed a group of enthusiastic interns from the PCGT.

8 interns, accompanied by 2 PCGT team members, arrived at our kitchen facility to gain firsthand knowledge about our operations and understand how we prepare meals hygienically. Little did we know that their visit would go beyond observation and turn into a heartwarming experience of giving. As the interns stepped into our kitchen, they were greeted by the hustle and bustle of our dedicated staff preparing meals for various distribution centers. The interns were keen observers, asking insightful questions about our processes and procedures. They were particularly interested in learning about our stringent hygiene practices, which ensure that the food we prepare is safe and nutritious for those in need. Our experienced kitchen staff patiently explained each step of the meal preparation, from ingredient selection to cooking techniques.





Teamwork in Action: PCGT Interns Extend a Helping Hand in Food Distribution



The interns were amazed to see the organization and coordination required to handle large-scale meal production. They were quick to notice the importance of teamwork and efficiency in ensuring that meals reach those who need them most. After witnessing the behind-the-scenes operations of our kitchen, the interns were eager to join our team in action. They accompanied us to one of our distribution centers located outside Tata and KEM Hospital.

As they entered the distribution center, their eyes were filled with empathy and anticipation, knowing they would soon be contributing to the noble cause of feeding the hungry. The PCGT interns truly embraced 'The Joy of Giving' as they selflessly dedicated their time and energy to assisting our team. They understood that their visit was not just an opportunity for learning but also a chance to make a difference in the lives of others.



We are grateful to the PCGT team for organizing this visit and selecting our kitchen facility as a learning opportunity for their interns. The visit not only allowed the interns to understand the complexities of food preparation and distribution but also showcased the power of collaboration and empathy in creating a better society. The PCGT interns' visit to our kitchen facility serves as a reminder that education and compassion go hand in hand, and that even the smallest gestures of kindness can make a significant impact in the lives of those less fortunate.

## “ Testimonials

Visiting the Roti bank was a really great experience. It was very interesting to see how the cooks make food for so many people with following all the safety measures and food standards. The experience of serving food at the KEM hospital was also very eye opening. It made me realise that we are very privileged and we live in a veil which is ignorant of all the problems faced by so many people in our country. We have the resources to contribute in various initiatives by different NGOs and the government and we should definitely do that and volunteer too.

- Siya Deshmukh  
(Intern at PCGT for July-2023)

One of the best experiences I've had in life, the one that filled me with immense gratitude for all that I've been taking for granted. It made me realize that we are truly privileged and that we can certainly contribute our bit to the less-fortunate ones. I narrated my experience to my parents as well and they were amazed beyond belief. Thank you PCGT for giving us this opportunity.

-Mukta Zingade  
(Intern at PCGT for July-2023)

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