
END OF YEAR MESSAGE FROM OUR INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

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We are because of you!



Dear CERESAV Family,

As 2024 comes to a close, we at the Center for Rehabilitation of Survivors of Acid and Burns Violence (CERESAV) take a moment to reflect on an extraordinary year of resilience, collaboration, and impact all made possible by your unwavering support.

This year, CERESAV made significant strides, from revamping our organizational registration to appointing a new Interim Executive Director and having vibrant new board members to guide our leadership journey. These milestones have strengthened our foundation, empowering us to serve survivors better and foster meaningful change.

Our work this year underscored the importance of collective effort and the inclusion of survivors in shaping their own futures. Survivors were at the heart of our activities, sharing their stories, advocating for change, and participating in programs designed to rebuild self-worth and confidence. Through this, they not only healed but inspired others, becoming catalysts for transformation in their communities.

Highlights of 2024 include:

- **Advocacy and Awareness:** During the **16 Days of Activism**, survivors courageously led our media engagements, sharing their experiences of resilience and hope. Their voices called for stricter laws and societal change, amplifying the urgency of our mission.
- **Empowerment and Support:** On **Giving Tuesday**, we raised \$4,187 for the CERESAV Education Fund. These funds will provide educational opportunities for the children of survivors, breaking cycles of vulnerability and empowering the next generation.
- **Human Rights Advocacy:** On **International Human Rights Day**, survivors stood as ambassadors of change during panel discussions and workshops, highlighting their strength and inspiring collective action.
- **Community Inclusion:** Initiatives like the "Spread Joy" campaign ensured teenage mothers in slum areas received vital support during the festive season, showing that no one is left behind in our journey toward inclusion and dignity.

All of this was possible because of you, our community of donors, supporters, and partners. Your belief in our mission and your contributions have tremendously geared the CERESAV team positively to transform more lives, giving survivors the tools and confidence they need to rebuild.

As we move into 2025, we reaffirm our commitment to survivor-led initiatives, systemic advocacy, and the creation of a safer, more inclusive society. Together, we will continue this vital work, empowering survivors and advancing the fight against acid attack and burns violence.

Please follow us on [Facebook](#), [LinkedIn](#) or [Twitter](#) to stay up to date with our ongoing work.

We are still seeking financial support for the Education Fund.

[Please make your tax deductible donation here](#)

From all of us at CERESAV, we wish you a joyous holiday season and a

prosperous new year. Thank you for standing with us.

With heartfelt gratitude,

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