



## OCT 2018

**Donation Amount: \$2906.00**

For the month of October, we continued our support of CINI Australia. Our donation is being used for the IICCHAA program (Indian initiative for child centred HIV/Aids approach) in West Bengal. "Iccha", the Bengali word meaning "Wish", sums up what the program is about. The IICCHAA families and children are not only desperately poor, but are shunned from their communities because of an illness beyond their control. With the help of CINI's outreach workers, families are empowered to regain control of their lives, re-join their communities and start to hope again.

Riya and her young family are just starting their journey with IICCHAA.

Riya contracted HIV/Aids from her husband and is now a widow. Rejected by her community, Riya and her 2 children were at risk of severe malnutrition and had little hope for the future. Like Riya, many parent's first wish is that their child will have enough to eat and physical health. Once the fight for survival is addressed, education and empowerment will help families make changes in their lives. The IICCHAA program, supported by Modus, starts the journey by ensuring the 176 families receive essential foods such as oil, lentils, rice, flour and nuts. Receiving quality nutrition each month is the first step of their fresh start.



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