



Ali Hasan Mangi

Memorial Trust

Changing Lives. One Village at a Time

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Dear donors and friends,

Allow me to introduce you to Sardar Khatoon, a 40-year-old widow from Village Khairo Dero. She has been a buffalo farmer since she was a young girl and wakes up before dawn to clean the pens, prepare feed for her cattle, and milk them before the sun comes up. Her teenage sons work on a landowner's farm as share croppers. Sardar's late husband Abid Hussain built a two-room brick house after decades of savings. He delighted in the curved doorways he designed for the small verandah and was thrilled when he saved up once more to install doors and windows, years after the initial construction. His home was his pride and joy. Abid's house collapsed during the rains and flooding last year, eight months after he died of chronic liver disease. Water seeped through the floors, the walls cracked and the roof began to rumble. Sardar and her sons dragged their steel trunk, charpais and crate full of dishes to Abid's brother's home next door and huddled in a corner, not wanting to be a burden. "My husband built that house with a lot of love," Sardar said, looking across at the heap of rubble. "But that's okay. God saved us from the storms. We will build again. We will bind our stomachs but we will build a home again."



After the record rains and floods of 2022 wiped out hundreds of thousands of homes, families across rural Sindh are standing ready to rebuild. They are determined and hopeful. All they need is a little help. With your generosity during and after the floods, we helped 886 families in 103 villages rebuild homes. That means a total of 5,792 people had shelter once more. We still have thousands of applications pending.

It costs our donors less than USD 400 or Rs 100,000 to help a family build a home. We provide the majority of building materials they need to build a room 15 feet by 12 feet. The rest of the materials, the labour, the doors/windows and the mason's charges are taken care of by the beneficiary family. **This community participation is a core part of our model of development and ensures both ownership and a sense of dignity.**

This Ramazan we ask you to use your Zakat to gift a family a home and help change the life of someone like Sardar Khatoon forever.

To contribute toward this cause, please click here: <http://www.alihasanmangitrust.org/donate/> We also request that all donations be followed by an email to mt@alihasanmangitrust.org so that we can send you a receipt, progress notes and a full report upon completion. We wish you a blessed Ramazan with our gratitude.

Warmest regards

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