

Launch event: CLAIM YOUR CITY BY NIGHT!

To kick off our Youth for Women and Habitat Campaign, we can think of no better way than to organize a night walk in the city.

To all fun loving, equality minded Delhi youth, pass on the word and come join us on December 10th 2010 in front of the Rajiv Chowk (Palika Bazaar exit) metro station at Connaught Place, at 7 pm. From there, we will walk, as a group, to Karol Bagh and finish in Chandni Chowk.

So don't forget your Reeboks, radios, and women empowering posters! Because this is the occasion to show Delhi that the city belongs to everybody, all the time. Let's take this opportunity to discuss how women's freedom and capabilities can be enhanced through greater access to resources and to the public space!

Youth Campaign for gender equality in area plans

SAFP will place youth volunteers to intern with organisations which are willing to develop plans in Delhi and elsewhere in India. Send us an email if you can volunteer one month time to work on a project.

Sathi All for Partnerships (SAFP) is a small

NGO with big aspirations. Nationally, our activities consist mainly in advocacy and lobbying for the rights of those disabled by mental illness and marginalized women (Muslims, Tribal, HIV positive, urban poor, etc.) to decent housing, property rights and equal access to livelihood resources.

We research, design and implement women friendly neighborhood plans, coined Women Resource Zones (WRZ). Using principles of planning, architecture, economics and management. We promote sustainable development plans which take into account a neighborhood's people and their culture, infrastructures, activities, housing, etc. We suggest structural changes which would make available resources easily accessible to all including youth and women, while creating links between economic and social activities, the local and larger market, and community organizations. The result should be entrepreneurship hubs run by women and youth, for the benefit of all.

Our goal : Create sustainable communities, taking women's needs into account:

- Women managed infrastructure and enterprises supported by youth
- Improved infrastructure, increased safety through inclusive planning
- Sharing of care and productive roles amongst all members of a community
- Increasing income generating activities
- Transforming patriarchal social norms by working on behavior and attitude

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Reclaiming Public Space

CHANGING SOCIAL ROLES THROUGH URBAN PLANNING

INCLUSIVE, SAFER AREAS FOR ALL BY INCREASING WOMEN VISIBILITY IN PUBLIC SPACE, AS USERS, OWNERS, AND MANAGERS.... A pragmatic solution to an enduring social stigma

From the streets of Delhi

"The women in the community don't have access to public space and resources the way men here do. Initiatives, such as women's centers or micro-enterprises, started by the government rarely get follow-up. Women need more help to increase their skills in managing property or businesses!"

"The city planning is definitely done for men, by men only."

From the slums of Bhopal

"It's definitely a man's world here. We have a centre but do not use it for livelihood activity as we need training."

From the fields of Ratlam and Devas

If we have a centre to take care of our health problems we could care for our land, forest and water to sustain us and this land, which gives us everything!"



MAKING WOMEN VISIBLE IN THE PUBLIC SPACE: The first step in reclaiming our city and our rural areas

Women don't feel safe in the streets and neighbourhood whether in Delhi or in Ratlam. They are constantly warned of the dangers that lurk around every dark corner, and initiatives supposedly aimed at women empowerment are designed for them to avoid going out whenever possible. They end up working from home. The women too are not prepared to take claim of public spaces. This adds to the economic burden of women.

Educated youth can be of help to women in creating opportunity to access and infrastructure and enterprises. A student volunteer can assist women groups to set up their livelihood resources to transform the situation for an entire community.

SAFP will link young people with women targeted development plans. **Today's youth, tomorrow's planners, managers, economists and social scientists, need to take up the cause of Women and Habitat and make sure the spaces of tomorrow are profitable for everyone!**

