

## The Need for HCC



Currently, there is no common facility for Hindu Community in the Greater Boston Metropolitan area for conducting family and festive events.

There is need for such a center which will benefit the entire community.

## Why – The HC Center

### ■ Sustenance

Ensure the sustenance and growth of Hindu Dharma in Americas so that our young practice Dharma and remain forceful ambassadors of it.



### ■ Strength

Ensure forceful and effective articulation of Hindu-American interests wherever needed

### ■ Leadership

Influence the positive evolution of the American society through our way of life



## Vision

Center to enable all strains of the Hindu community to express and share their heritage and serve the generations born and raised in the USA.



## Mission

To nourish and sustain:

- the Hindu value system,
- family unit, and
- spiritual life style



For the generations of Hindus born and raised here.

## How Will Vatika Serve?



Serve the needs of Youth, Young Couples, and Elderly

## Structure & Scope

**Vatika -  
The Hindu Community Center will be:**

- Structured as:
  - a self-sustaining
  - non-profit organization,
  - governed by an executive committee
- Open to all with no distinction as long they are consistent with our core values:
  - No alcohol
  - Vegetarianism
- Governed as per its By-laws.
- Center will be operated by full time workers with support from volunteers

## Potential Location

- Westborough
- Southborough
- Ashland
- Framingham
- Hopkinton
- Marlborough
- Others



## Vatika: Hindu Community Center

*Vatika: Hindu Community Center of New England* is a vision for a local community center which will allow Hindus in this area to come together and celebrate our traditions, values, and who we are.

Although there is a growing Hindu population in the United States, we lack a clear, well-defined collective identity and a community center is necessary if we want to pass our culture onto younger generations of Hindus who are growing up in this country. Currently, younger generations seem to be uninvolved with issues of Dharma, and a community center is an important step in changing this problem. The vision of Vatika is to enable all strains of the Hindu community to express and share their heritage and especially to serve the younger generation.

Today, there is no common facility for the Hindu community in the Boston Metro and Metro West area for conducting family events and celebrating functions. This space, once operational, will provide a place for Hindus to demonstrate pride for who they are. The community center will be open to all with no distinction as long they are consistent with our core values.

There is great potential in what we could do with this community center once it is operational, and the possibilities seem to be endless. We already have a number of donors who have expressed interest, but your support is necessary and extremely appreciated in order to make this a reality.

Thank you for your support.

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