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GURU KRUPA FOUNDATION EXPANDS GRANT TO $50,000 IN SUPPORT OF ST. NICKS ALLIANCE’S LITERACY IMMERSION INITIATIVES TO ADDRESS COVID-RELATED LEARNING LOSS.

Brooklyn, NY: For the 2020–21 school year, Guru Krupa Foundation (GKF) expanded its contribution to $50,000 to further support St. Nicks Alliance’s comprehensive Literacy Immersion initiatives. This critical support will allow St. Nicks Alliance to develop approaches that will address COVID-related learning loss for the 3,000 youth in grades K–8 who participate in St. Nicks Alliance’s afterschool centers across Community School Districts 13, 14, and 23.

Debra Sue Lorenzen, Director of Youth and Education with St. Nicks Alliance, said, “We are deeply grateful to the Guru Krupa Foundation for their commitment to the youth of North Brooklyn. Their invaluable and flexible support will enable St. Nicks Alliance to expand our already vital literacy initiatives and tailor these services to help mitigate learning loss due to the pandemic and remote learning.”

GKF’s contribution through 2021 marks their third year of grant support to St. Nick’s Alliance. Since 2018, GKF has served as the lead sponsor for the BK Story Voyager, a mobile library that gives North Brooklyn children access to books and learning experiences that boost literacy growth.

"Education is one of our priorities because it is one the most powerful tools to help alleviate poverty, eliminate discrimination and create balance in an unequal world. For many years, St Nicks Alliance has been providing literacy development support to children and youth in North Brooklyn. This support is particularly important now, as COVID-19 schooling restrictions have taken a serious toll on children's learning,” said Mukund Padmanabhan, founder of the Guru Krupa Foundation.

About the Guru Krupa Foundation: Since 2007, the Guru Krupa Foundation (GKF), a private foundation based in NY, has been funding a broad range of social, educational and religious/cultural charitable causes across India and the US.

About St Nicks Alliance: St. Nicks Alliance is a non-profit in North Brooklyn which seeks to transform lives of low- and moderate-income people through employment, education, housing,
and elder care. Its Youth and Education division serves more than 6,000 young people from elementary through high school each year with a seamless continuum of comprehensive services that target the developmental needs of youth as they grow.

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