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Dear Devotees and Friends,

Through Sri Ramakrishna's grace and your generous support, the Ramakrishna Vedanta Society of North Texas continues to grow, teaching and celebrating Vivekananda's universal message of Vedanta.

In the last nine years, the Vedanta Center has not only grown in numbers, but also outreach. In April 2015, the Vedanta Center Complex was inaugurated. Overlooking the beautiful monastery garden, it provides a peaceful sanctuary for contemplation and a space for all to receive practical spiritual teachings for self-development.

The Society's humanitarian services include an annual Vivekananda Food Drive, Feeding of the Homeless, relief for natural disasters and other social service as the need arises. On an educational level, Pravrajika Brahma-prana, our Resident Minister, continues to teach Vedanta at university and college classes and symposia, and renowned scholars and spiritual leaders are invited to participate in the Vedanta center's programs and interfaith initiatives.

On a spiritual level, weekly services and scriptural classes, annual puja celebrations, as well as in-depth Vedanta retreats are conducted by senior monks and nuns of the Ramakrishna Order. A lending library of books on spirituality and religion is also maintained.

We are appealing for funds as there is a significant increase in costs given the addition of the new Vivekananda Hall. The Center is funded solely by individual donations and every dollar goes directly and wholly towards maintaining the Vedanta Center and its activities.

All contributions are gratefully accepted and are tax deductible. The Society is a 501 C (3) non-profit organization. Please join the **Circle of Supporters** (yearly \$1,200), with a one-time contribution, or a monthly donation. Your funds can be applied to the Center's **humanitarian, educational, and spiritual programs** or to the **Endowment Fund** which will ensure the future growth of the Ramakrishna Vedanta Society of North Texas.

The Vedanta Society is nonsectarian and open to the public, and all the services and retreats are free of charge. Please visit our website ([www.vedantadfw.org](http://www.vedantadfw.org)) which showcases our past, current, and future activities.

Please accept our gratitude for your generous donations and continued support.

With our sincere thanks,

*Ranjana Chopra*

Ranjana Chopra, President

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