

# ***Parabin's Story***



***This is Parabin. She is 19 years old. Parabin arrived at The Salvation Army's Counseling and Development Center in Old Dhaka, Bangladesh in early 2019 and joined the Others program. She has very little family, only a father.***

***Parabin had been working as a sex worker until she came to The Salvation Army's Counseling and Development Center in Old Dhaka. She dreams of a job outside the sex industry. Through Others that dream can become a reality.***



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# Narim's Story



***My name is Narim (middle). I was married by the age of 16. In 2006 my husband died. I was left with 2 small children. I ended up on the street. Then I heard about Others and that they were doing training, so I joined them. In addition to skills training, I received counseling and literacy. The first product I learned how to make were the Others bags.***

***One year after joining the program I remarried. I have worked with Others for 12 years. I was one of the producers who made the bags for the international Salvation Army congress in London. Because of this large order our family earned 50,000 taka and we purchased our own rickshaw for my husband's work. Others has made a big difference in my life.***



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# Mafura's Story



***My name is Mafura (left). I had my first daughter at the age of 17. Because of flooding in our community for many years, there was difficulty finding work and no steady income source. I started working with Others and eventually was able to purchase a cow which cost 10,000 taka.***

***After 3 years of selling the milk from this cow, three calves were also born. I then sold one of the cows and invested the money. After 10 years of working, saving and investing we were able to purchase a bulding and educate our children. My daughter is married and my son works for a non-governmental organization. My husband also finished college and is now a postmaster in our area. I am very proud of what we have done and the opportunity through Others to change our lives for the better.***



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# Christine's Story



***Meet Christine. She is 32 years old, lives in Kenya, and is the mother of 2 girls. When she married in 2010 her family did not have a house. The income she earns from making paper bead products for Others has enabled her to construct a brick house. She has also purchased goats and a cow.***

***She says, "My future is brighter for me and my family because of Others."***



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# Agnes' Story



***My name is Agnes and I am a basket weaver from Mwala, Kenya. My husband is retired. Since I started working with Others, I have been able to bring great benefits to our family. All of the day to day necessities of our household I am able to manage without stress. I have purchased a gas cooker and chickens which generate extra income. Previously I was not able to tithe regularly at church, but now I can and I feel great blessing.***



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