

Shiva-Vishnu Temple

Om Namah Shivaya Om Namo Narayanaya

Hindu Community and Cultural Center

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Overview

HCCC was established in 1977 with the goal of offering religious services to Hindu community. In the last 35 years the HCCC has evolved into an established institution as a place of worship with the needed services for the community.

HCCC Historical Information

- 1977: HCCC was incorporated.
- 1980 83: Land acquired in Livermore.
- 1983 86: Interim Temple.
- 1984 85: Idols donated by Tamilnadu Govt.
- 1984 86:
 - Foundation stone laid by Sri.
 N.T.RamaRao.
 - Shilpis arrive from India and major construction began.
 - Foundation ceremonies for cultural center by Pdt. Ravi Shankar and Ustad Ali Akbar Khan
- 1986: Kumbhabhishekam in July.
- 1992: Enclosure and roof completed.
- 1992: Rajagopuram and other Gopurams completed.

- 1997: Assembly Hall inaugurated by Livermore City Councilman.
 - Inaugural concert by K.J. Yesudas & Party.
- 1998: Mahakumbhabhishekam in July.
 - o Dakshina Bhoomi purchased
- 1999: Poorva Bhoomi purchased.
- 2001: Temple Flooring completed.
- 2002: 25th Anniversary Celebrations.
- 2010: Mahakumbhabhishekam in June.
- 2011: Kanaka Durga Prayer Hall completion.
- 2012:
 - o Administrative Building completion.
 - Multi-Purpose Building completion.
 - o Assembly Hall Extension in progress.

Services Offered by HCCC

- Religious Services at temple and devotee residences.
- Renting of Facilities.
- Human Services.

- Youth and Education
- Cultural Events.
- Spiritual Services

Additional details on the above services are furnished in the subsequent sections.

Strength of HCCC

- Devotees.
- Donors.
- Volunteers.
- Priests & Pachakas.

- Support Staff
- Management: Steering Committee; Board of Directors; Executive Committee.

For more information, visit HCCC website <u>www.livermoretemple.org</u> or contact the Front Desk at 925-449-6255.

Devotees

- The participation and support of the devotees keep the HCCC momentum going. The HCCC is sustained by the generosity of devotees.
- Devotee feedback on the services and the operational aspects will be well appreciated and helpful in serving the devotee and the community needs.

Donors

- There are many ways donors contribute such as hundi donation, religious services, annadana program, construction programs, abharanas, abharana account, endowment account, etc.
- HCCC greatly appreciates the support and generosity of the donors.

Volunteers

- It would not have been possible to build this institution without the dedicated support of many volunteers.
- Volunteers play various roles and help in many operational aspects to serve the devotee and the community needs supported by the management and the support staff:
 - Coordinating events.
 - Assisting in event activities.
 - Parking control during major events.
 - Fund raising support.

- Garland making for the deities.
- o In the front office.
- o In the kitchen.
- Maintenance & construction support.
- Each year HCCC management awards Steering Committee membership to the dedicated volunteers as per the HCCC policy.

Priests and Pachakas

- The priests are well versed with the pujas, chanting, Hindu traditions and sampradayas. They speak multiple languages.
- Pachakas support the priests with the neivedyam preparation. They also make the laddu and vada prasadam, and annadana food served on the weekends.
- The HCCC has 12 priests and two pachakas, are supported by the management, the supporting staff and the volunteers.

Support Staff

- Includes a Manager, Assistant Manager, front desk staff, maintenance staff and a part-time librarian.
- Plays a key role in the day to day operations of HCCC supported by the management.

Management

- Steering Committee:
 - o The supreme body of HCCC. Meets once a quarter.
 - Elects Board of Directors (BOD) and Executive Committee (EC) members through an election process.
 - Advises the BOD on the strategic matters.
 - o Reviews and approves the annual budget and the resolutions recommended by BOD.
- Board of Directors (BOD):
 - Consists of nine members headed by a Chairman. Meets once a month or as needed.
 - Has fiduciary responsibility and oversees the temple operations guiding EC.

- Review and approve resolutions recommended by EC.
- Review and recommend annual budget proposed by Treasurer to SC.
- Executive Committee (EC):
 - Consists of multiple members headed by a President who is a board member. Meets once a month or as needed.
 - o Each member can opt as a chair of a functional area as per the board approval.
 - o Each chair oversees the assigned functional area tasks and the respective budget.
 - o Treasurer oversees all the financial aspects and the overall budget.
 - o Reviews and approves the operational resolutions.

Religious Services

The Shiva-Vishnu Temple is offering religious services for the Hindu community both at the temple and at the residence of devotees. HCCC also serves the community needs through human services, youth & education, and cultural events.

The deities in the main temple are: Ganesha, Shiva, Parvati, Kartikeya, Sridevi (Lakshmi), Vishnu, Bhoodevi, Radha-Krishna, Rama-Sita, Navagraha, Hanuman, Kalabhairava, and Dashbhuja Durga. Deity Kanaka Durga Devi is in Kanaka Durga prayer hall. Serving the devotee needs as per Hindu traditions and sampradayas in authentic way is objective of HCCC.

Religious Services offered at the Temple

- Nitya poojas for different deities are performed according to sampradaya, please refer to temple web-site and calendar for more details.
- Abhisekha
- Akshara Abhyasa
- Annaprasana
- Ashtottara Archana
- Bhoomi Puja
- Hiranya Shradha
- Homa
- Kalyana Utsava

- Mundana
- Namakarna
- Punyaha Vachana
- Sahasranama Archana
- Samarpana
- Satyanarayana Puja
- Seemantham

- Shanti Puja
- Shashti Abda Poorti
- Upanayana
- Vaastu Puja
- Vahana Puja
- Vivaha

Religious Services offered at the residence of devotees

- Akshara Abhyasa
- Annaprasana
- Griha Pravesha
- Hiranya Shradha
- Homa

- Kalyan Utsava
- Mundana
- Namakarna
- Punyaha Vachana
- Satvanaravana Pooia
- Seemantham
- Shanti Pooja
- Shashtabdi Poorti
- Upanayana
- Vivaha

Key Events Celebrated at the Temple

- New Year's Day
- Hanuman Jayanthi
- Dhanurmasa
- Andal Kalyanam
- Ayappa Makara Deepa Pooja
- Makara Sankranthi
- Thai Pongal
- Thai Pooosam
- Saraswathi Puja
- Vasantha Panchammi

- Ratha Saptami
- Shiva Brahmostavam
- Maha Shivaratri
- Holi
- Ugadi Asthanam
- Baisakhi
- Tamil New Year
- Sri Rama Navami
- Meenakshi Kalyanam
- Akshaya Tritiya
- Basava Jayanthi

- Sri Ramanujar Javanthi
- Sri Adi Sankara Jayanthi
- Vasavi Javanthi
- Narasimha Jayanthi
- Annamacharya Jayanthi
- Buddha Poornima
- Vaikasi Visakam

- Annamacharya Jayanthi
- Hanuman Jayanthi
- Jyeshatabhishekam
- Guru Poornima
- Aadi Krittika
- Aadi Pooram
- Pavithrotsavam
- Varalakshmi Vratam
- Onam
- Rig Upakarma
- Raksha Bandhan
- Vaikhansa Jayanthi
- Raghavendra Swamy Aradhana

- Sri Krishna
 Janmashtami
- Gokulashtami
- Swarna Gowri Vratam
- Ganesh Chathurthi
- Rishi Panchami
- Ananta Chaturdasi
- Saraswati Puja
- Durgashtami
- Vishnu Brahmotsavam
- Chandi Homam
- Maha Navami
- Madhwa Jayanthi
- Vijaya Dasami Ashtanam

- Shiva Annabhishekam
- Karva Chauth
- Deepavali
- Kali Puja
- Lakshmi Kubera Puja
- Naraka Chathurdasi
- Gujarati New Year
- Skanda Shashti
- Vishnu Pushpa Yagam
- Tulasi Vivaham
- Kala Bhairava Jayanthi
- Geeta Jayanthi
- Dattatreya Jayanthi

Other Services

- Laddu and Vada prasadam offered for a suggested donation.
- Calendar offered for a suggested donation.
- Annadana, Free food served over the weekends and during major events.
- Sesha vastras offered for a suggested donation.

Event Facilities

HCCC HAS EXPANDED FACILTIES TO SERVE GROWING DEVOTEE NEEDS



- EXPANDED ASSEMBLY HALL BUILDING
- A NEW ADMINISTRATION BUILDING
- A NEW MULTIPURPOSE BUILDING

EXPANDED FACILITIES

- 1. A NEW NEIVEDYAM KITCHEN
- 2. RELOCATED AND EXPANDED MAIN KITCHEN
- 3. THREE NEW EVENT HALLS
- 4. THREE NEW EVENT ROOMS
- 5. A LIBRARY FOR CHILDREN
- 6. MEDICAL HEALTH ADVISORY FACILITY
- 7. FACILITY FOR NURSING BABIES
- 8. A PUJA ROOM WITH HOMAKUNDA

RENTAL FACILITIES

EVENT HALL1

• Size:~1420sq ft

• Capacity: 100 people

EVENT HALL2

(with Homa kunda)

• Size: ~1940sq ft

• Capacity: 120 persons

EVENT HALL3

• Size:~1350sq ft

• Capacity: 80 persons

EVENT ROOM1

• Size: ~500sqft

• Capacity: 40-50 persons

EVENT ROOM2

• Size: ~714sqft

• Capacity: 40-50 persons

EVENT ROOM3

• Size: ~213 sq ft

• Capacity: 10-15 people

ASSEMBLY HALL

• Size:~4347 sq ft

• Capacity: 400 persons

EVENTS YOU CAN HOST

- Weddings
- Upanayanams
- Srimantams
- Birthday parties
- Shastipurti
- Ayush Homam
- Others

AMENITIES

- Assembly Hall
 - Chairs
 - Round tables
 - Sound system
 - Stage
- Event halls
 - Chairs
 - Round tables
 - Sound system
 - Homa Kunda in event hall no 2

Donation Opportunities

HCCC depends upon the generosity of devotees. There are many ways devotees can donate. Some of the donation opportunities are listed below.

Religious Event Sponsorships

 Based on the religious event, the donation range for the sponsorship varies. For example, New Year event sponsorship range is \$7 to \$5001. For more details, refer to the event flyer on the website.

Annadana Program

The New Years Day **Annadana** program will be held on January 1 at the Shiva-Vishnu Temple in Livermore, CA. You can generously support the **Annadana** program by paying minimum of \$251 per **Annadana**. It will help HCCC to serve large number of devotees of Shiva-Vishnu Temple who visit on that day.

- Sponsors names will be displayed on the temple website.
- Sponsors will get calendar and laddu prasadam at the temple on New Year day.
- Sponsors names will be displayed for several days (Dec 31st and first week of January).
- Sponsors are eligible and can sponsor for another week-end annadana during the year.

Construction Programs

HCCC has expanded facilities for the growing needs of the devotees. The expansion was funded with operational reserves and a bank loan. Need your help with your generous donation for future construction and to pay off the bank loan. The following are some of the donation opportunities to donate for this cause.

- SPONSOR-A-BRICK: \$51.
- SPONSOR-A- SQUARE FOOT: \$301.
- PARKING SPACE: \$5,000. Donors' or donors' family names will be written on the plaque.
- NAMING ROOMS: \$100,000. Donations will be accepted from a single donor of \$100,000 or 2 donors of \$50,000, 4 donors of \$25,000 or 10 donors of \$10,000 each, with donors' or donors' family names will be written on the plaque determined by HCCC management.
- NAMING LIBRARY: \$250,000. Donations will be accepted from a single donor of \$250,000, or 5 donors of \$50,000 or 10 donors of \$25,000, with donors' or donors' family names will be written on the plaque determined by HCCC management.
- NAMING NAIVEDYAM KITCHEN: \$250,000. Donations will be accepted from a single donor of \$250,000, or 5 donors of \$50,000 or 10 donors of \$25,000, with donors' or donors' family names will be written on the plaque determined by HCCC management.
- **NAMING KITCHEN:** \$500,000. If there is a single donor, the building will be named after the donors' or donors' family. If there is no single large donor, donations are accepted from d donors of \$250,000 or 5 donors of \$100,000 each, with donors' or donors' family names will be written on the plaque determined by HCCC management.
- **NAMING BUILDINGS:** \$1,000,000. The building will be named after the donors' or donors' family.

Annual Fundraising Event

Once a year, HCCC hosts a fund raising event with a formal dinner and entertainment. By the grace of god and support of volunteers and donors, we had successful fund raising events in the last few years with generous donations. HCCC hopes to continue the tradition to raise funds through donations.

Abharana Account

HCCC Maintains an abharana account to procure abharanas for the deities as needed. Usually the priests make a recommendation and HCCC management makes a decision as per the necessity. If you like to donate with a specific wish, discuss with the HCCC management and it can be worked out.

Endowment Fund

HCCC Maintains an endowment fund for the emergency needs of the HCCC operations. The funds from this account are not used for day to day operations. We urge the devotees to donate for this fund and help HCCC grow monetary reserves for the HCCC emergency operational needs.

Steering Committee Membership

Anyone who donates \$10,000 or more in a calendar year is eligible to nominate self or immediate family members to the HCCC Steering Committee membership as per the HCCC policy. For more information, contact the HCCC management.

Human Services

Human Services Charter

- The Human Services Committee is an integral part of HCCC and is chartered with the
 responsibility of serving the communities locally and globally on a need basis irrespective of
 religion, race, and cultural identity depending upon the available funds, on a priority and need
 basis.
- HCCC allocates limited amount of funds each year for supporting eligible organizations engaged strictly in Human Service functions. Recipient organizations will be required to disclose the affiliations with other organizations to enable HCCC to determine their eligibility to receive HCCC charity funds.
- Human Service projects are mainly aimed at basic human needs as food, shelter, medical and educational purposes. All of its funds will be spent in these areas only.
- Human Services Committee welcomes the association of individuals and groups who would like to identify, donate and execute projects for human cause within its spectrum of coverage.

Human Services Programs

- Health Advisory Service.
- Health Fair.
- Health Seminars.
- Grant-in-Aid.
- Senior Group.

- Helping Local Food Banks.
 - Yoga class.
- Thanksgiving Dinner (Livermore).
- Performing and donating to help people affected by natural catastrophe

Youth and Education

Youth and Education Charter

- To establish a full-fledged Learning Center which includes a library and conducting regular classes for enabling religious, cultural and spiritual learning for Asian-Indian children, youth and adults in the Northern California Community. The key elements of the center will include:
 - An extensive state-of-the-art library housing authoritative books and audio-visual media on Vedic literature, religion and Indian history and culture in English and several Indian languages.
 - Discourses and classes for youth and adults.
- To establish systems and conduct regular youth workshops that inspire the youth by increasing their awareness of the spiritual and cultural richness of our heritage.
- To continuously advance the Learning Center though networking with other religious, cultural and spiritual learning centers around the world.

Youth and Education Programs

- Bala Jyothi classes
- Bhakti Jyothi classes
- Bhagavad Gita and Vishnushasranamam classes
- Sanskrit classes
- Youth volunteer credit programs
- Graduation Saraswati puja
- Bhagavad gita discussions
- Youth forum
- Summer Reading Program
- Cultural program by children

- Spelling and Math bee
- Navarathri Golu Musical program
- Ganesha Chathurthi Children's program
- Art and Craft exhibitions
- Sanskrit Camps
- Sanskrit as a Foreign Language program
- Dictionary project along with Livermore Rotary club
- Annual children's day programs

Library

- The HCCC library is housed in administrative building and open on Saturdays and Sundays from 10:30AM to 3:30PM.
- HCCC would be grateful to devotees for making generous donations of books, Audio-Visual material and/or monetary help for the development of the HCCC Learning Center. Books are media should ideally be one of the following subjects:
 - Hindu Religion
 - Religious Texts such as Ramayana, Mahabharata, Bhagawad Gita, Bhagavatam, Upanishads etc.
 - o Indian Culture
 - Indian History
 - o Indian/Hindu Philosophy and Spiritualism
 - o Books for Children like Amar Chitra Katha, Panchatantra etc.

Cultural Events

Cultural Events Charter

- Supporting the growth and exposure of cultural activities under the Hindu Community and Cultural Center (HCCC) banner with the aim of making the Shiva Vishnu Temple the destination for cultural activities in the bay area.
- Provide a forum and location for artists of all ages to perform and get exposure via onstage presentation.
- Cultural activities include vocal and instrumental programs of all south and north Indian styles, classical dance programs including Bharatanatyam, Kuchipudi, Odissi, and other forms including live Garba dance programs.
- Support temple religious functions with cultural support as needed.

Sample List of Cultural Events Organized

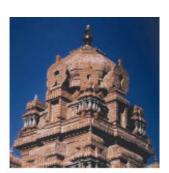
- Vocal concert by local artists.
- Bharatanatyam dance by local dance school.
- Kuchipudi dance by local dance school.
- Odissi Dance concert by local dance school.
- Hindustani Bhajans by local music school.
- Veena and Violin concert by local artists.
- Live Garba dance program.
- Dance and Music by visiting artists from India.

PHOTO GALLERY

HCCC Majesty and Grandeur







Shiva Shrine (Kalinga Style)

Vishnu (Chola Style)

Inside the Temple





Kanaka Durga Prayer Hall



HCCC Campus



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Event Facilities





Fund Raising Event



Donor Wall



Health Fair





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Y & E Program



Cultural Event



Priests and Pachaka



Volunteers

