



Stitching to rise above poverty

Almost 50 women collectively make our bright quilts and throws in Kolkata, India. Combinations of recycled saris, the traditional garments commonly worn by Indian women, are layered together and then embellished with a running hand stitch (or “kantha”) to create textures and patterns that are unique to each quilt. The women are breaking the cycle of poverty not only through fair wages for their textile work, but by participating in Serrv partner Sasha’s savings and credit programs, frequent health and eye care camps, educational opportunities for themselves and their children, and more.

