

Hi, my name is Prashant Saoji. As a devout Hindu I am blessed to be able to volunteer at the Hindu Society of Central Florida for the past 28 years.

As someone who has been highly involved in the temple I would love to serve as a GC member from 2021-22 to achieve the following goals:

- To bring the community together. As I have been a member of various cultural groups I feel that I would be best suited to do so.
- Involve the youth more at the Hindu Temple, as they will be the ones carrying the mantle from us tomorrow.

I feel like I would be right person for this position as I have served on the following committees:

- For 2 years I was the Public Relations Committee Chair for HSCF
- For 4 years I was the Program Committee Chair for HSCF
- Served 2 terms as President of Marathi Mandal.
- Have been on Marathi Mandal's Trustee Board for 3 years.
- President of the Florida BMM convention in 2014. It was the first statewide Marathi convention in Florida.
- I was one of the founding committee members for the Independence Day program that's held at Cranes Roost park yearly.

Some of my accomplishments as a HSCF GC Member:

- Successfully organized numerous Spiritual, Educational and Entertainment programs, including Independence Day Celebrations, India Fest, Ganapati Festival, Dusshera Program, etc. These events attempted to bridge cultures, generations and communities by bringing together people from all societies on a common platform.

- Organized multiple fundraising programs. We were able to raise over 100,000 dollars through the Family Bricks fundraiser. I have also helped raise money each year during the Ganesh Festival, India Fest Raffles, Anuradha Podwal program, etc.

I constantly strive to be a tireless and selfless worker, committed for the cause of the temple. It would be a tremendous honor to serve as a GC member. I have learnt a lot and I look forward to use these lessons to perform a better job next year.

Sincerely,

Prashant Saoji