



**RIPA LADRANG
FOUNDATION**

Our Story

Who We Are

The Mission of the Ripa Ladrang Foundation as a non-profit is to promote, support and preserve Tibetan Vajrayana Buddhism, following the footsteps of the Ripa Lineage and its teachers. As this tradition's religious values and practices are very much about compassionate engagement with the world and its people, we fulfill this mission through a combination of teachings, preservation of religious texts, spiritual outreach, and a wide variety of humanitarian service projects.

Our Goals

The specific purpose of the foundation is to support, advance, propagate and preserve the teaching, practice and study of the Tibetan Buddhist religion. The Ripa Ladrang Foundation will support Buddhist teaching activities throughout the United States and the world, with emphasis on the Ripa Lineage. The preservation of Tibetan culture and support of the Tibetan refugee population outside Tibet are two of our most important goals. We work toward this goal through our humanitarian projects and ensuring the spiritual aspects of Buddhism are protected and shared. We ensure this by supporting the Tibetan monastic tradition and the preservation of religious texts. Through our focus on spirituality and humanitarian projects, we propagate peace in the world and encourage individuals to find peace, both within and outside themselves.

Our Monasteries

Rigon Tashi Choeling – Nepal



The Rigon Tashi Choeling Monastery was opened in November of 2005, after the successful funding and completion of the New Treasures Project. The monastery represents the vision of Tibetan lama and meditation master, Namkha Drimed Rabjam Rinpoche.

Rigon Tashi Choeling – Tibet



One of the first projects conducted by the Ripa Ladrang Foundation was to fund the restoration of the Rigon Tashi Choeling Monastery in Tibet. This Monastery is currently run by His Eminence's oldest son Tenzin Nyima Rinpoche.

Rigon Thupten Mindrolling
Orissa– India



After departing Tibet in 1959 due to the communist invasion, the Ripa Masters and followers ended up relocating to the state of Orissa, India. Upon settling down in Chandragiri, the Ripa Masters constructed The Thupten Mindrolling Monastery as the new main monastery of the Ripa Lineage.



PROJECTS



Monk Sponsorship

Monk sponsorship is a very powerful way to express our gratitude to the Buddhas and Bodhisattvas who are continuously working for our benefit. Supporting the monk Sangha in these times sends tremendous blessings to a very weary world. To support the monastic community is to plant seeds of enlightenment for countless beings.



Pure Water Project

The Pure water project works with village communities to empower them to improve their access to and quality of water. We do this by developing a sound and sustainable strategy for water preservation and access, implementing a strong technical plan to ensure water stays clean and devising post-implementation initiatives to ensure long-term sustainability and viability.



PROJECTS



Malaria Prevention Fund

The Malaria Prevention fund is a project that heals and protects hundreds of individuals from the devastating effects of malaria by providing them with preventative care as well as treatment.



Elder Sponsorship Project

The Elders Sponsorship Project is a special project sponsored by the Ripa Ladrang Foundation for supporting Senior Citizens within the Tibetan communities of Orissa, India. Due to unfortunate circumstances a number of elderly Tibetans are in a position of needing assistance. Many of these individuals are in their final years and are in need of medical help or sponsorship for basic necessities.

MEMBERSHIP



Membership Information

Thank you for your interest in becoming a member of the Ripa Ladrang Foundation. Your membership represents your dedication to our cause with a recurring yearly donation that will help us improve the lives of monks and children, preserve Buddhist teachings, and work for a host of important causes in Nepal and Tibet. You can choose from four different levels of membership:

Friend	Supporter	Benefactor	Patron
\$60 yearly	\$240 yearly	\$600 yearly	\$1200+ yearly
<i>Benefits Include:</i>	<i>Benefits Include:</i>	<i>Benefits Include:</i>	<i>Benefits Include:</i>
Annual Reports	Friend Plus	Supporter Plus	Benefactor Plus
Discounts on Retreats	Discounts on Teachings	Recognition at Events	Gift of Love from Ripa Ladrang

Why become a Member of the Ripa Ladrang Foundation?

Our members are a large part of our support base. Through their generosity we are able to provide the general funds and infrastructure needed to pursue our various projects as well as preserve Buddhist teachings. Your contributions will go solely to these endeavors and if you have a specific initiative you would like to give to, please note that on the donation form page

What does membership entail and what levels of membership are there?

Membership involves a yearly contribution at a level of your choosing. All contributions are tax deductible as allowed by law. There are a various levels of membership related to your yearly contribution:

- Friend – \$60/year
- Supporter – \$240/year
- Benefactor – \$600/year
- Patron – \$1200+/year

You can pay your membership dues online ripaladrang.org/donate/membership/ or via a check. And your membership will be automatically renewed online with a reminder unless you choose to withdraw or change membership levels for any reason. In which case, you may contact our team.

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