Dhamma Sirī

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Front of Dhamma Hall, with Male residences in background

Dhamma Sirī, meaning 'Prosperity of Dhamma,' was established in 1990 as the Southwest Vipassana Meditation Centre ('SVMC') and has been serving primarily the Southwestern United States. Located approximately 45 miles east of the Dallas-Fort-Worth Metroplex and about four hours from large cities in Texas state such as Austin and Houston, Dhamma Sirī holds an average of 12-14 courses annually, and presently serves nearly 600 students a year.

A residential complex for male students provides comfortable individual accommodation, including eight rooms with attached bathrooms. In April 2005, a building for female students with 51 individual rooms was completed, each with an attached bathroom. The Centre also has a Dhamma Hall for 100 students, kitchen, dining, assistance teacher quarters and Dhamma servers' quarters housed in a separate building across from the Dhamma Hall.

The Dhamma Sirī Trust is constructing a two-storied pagoda similar in design to the pagoda in Dhamma Giri, in Igatpuri, India. The pagoda will have an initial array of 3 concentric rings containing 66 cells on the ground floor and room for additional 30 cells on the second floor. More rings of cells can be added according to future needs. Completion of this new pagoda will enable the Centre to offer long courses of 30 and 45 days to old students.