

Fundación Asha-Kiran (Ray of Hope, in Hindi) is a **non-governmental, not-for-profit, non-denominational, non-political** organization formed by professionals from different fields with a common motivation.

Founded in **Madrid, Spain, in 2006** and registered as a general interest Foundation in the Trust Registry under number 28-1430, our main objective is

To foster, promote and support the development of vulnerable children in India

We wish to focus on childhood by making shelter, nourishment, education, and health care available in order to offer alternatives to the vulnerability and deprivation in which millions of children in India find themselves and, above all, to provide access to the rights that every human being is entitled to.



How did Fundación Asha-Kiran arise?

Fundación Asha-Kiran took shape after Uttam, through his numerous trips through India, **received countless petitions for aid from many people** who wished to improve their living conditions. After having understood the impossibility of heading an action plan for real and sustained aid without a modicum of infrastructure, Asha-Kiran Foundation was created in Spain and Asha-Kiran Shelters Foundation in India, which is the recipient of the funds raised in Spain.

After studying on the spot the possibilities for intervention, we decided to open the Child Friendly Centers (CFC's) and the Yashodhara Shelter for street children with the aim of:

Creating places where vulnerable children will be aided in their day-to-day living – in the case of the Day Care Centers – and a place where children will be taken in – in the case of Yashodhara Shelter – both of which will bring about a stable direction in their lives and respect for their rights.