

MARU ASHA EXPANSION

Since 2001, the Maru Asha Children's Home and Christian School have provided a Christian living environment and quality education to many children in need. In Jaipur, India, World Help's partner Trevor De Linares is working to end the centuries-old cycle of hopelessness among orphaned children in the surrounding areas.

In a country overwhelmed by impoverished conditions, children are born into a cycle of poverty that seems to have no end. But this state-of-the-art facility is changing everything!

The name Maru Asha literally means "Desert Hope." The home is located in a suburban area on 4.5 acres on the outskirts of Jaipur. The facility, enclosed by a secure boundary wall, is comprised of dormitory housing, which currently houses 51 children, a new church building, and its own water source.

What started with a single vision of a man who wanted to provide a new way of life for some of the poorest children in India has now become reality—a reality that is transforming the futures for hundreds of children.

The school has made a tremendous impact on its community by providing a quality Christian education to its children. And because of this, the program is growing at a more rapid pace—creating an urgent need for expansion.

SCHOOL EXPANSION

Today, 230 children receive an education at Maru Asha Christian School—51 of them from the children's home, and another 179 who travel from 10 surrounding villages. In partnership with World Help, our partner plans to expand the school to accommodate 300 additional students—providing each with the opportunity to escape poverty.

Currently, the school is comprised of one ground-level floor that provides education for children from kindergarten to eighth grade. Three grade levels have no designated classrooms, so the classes are held wherever they can find a space for the students. However, second and third floor expansions will provide classrooms for these children and allow the school to add further grade levels through the tenth grade.

Each floor will add another 4,000 square feet of classroom space to the existing building—more than enough room for 300 more students.

The impact of this project is impossible to calculate. Not only is this school being used to provide a formal education, but it is a place for children to hear of the eternal love of Jesus. It serves as a training center for future leaders, teachers, and parents, helping to end the cycle of poverty and bringing hope to these children.



DORMITORY EXPANSION

When Trevor first launched the Maru Asha Children's Home in 2004, he began with only 26 boys. Today, the program now oversees round-the-clock care for 51 boys who live at the complex. As the impact of this unique ministry grows, more and more children are being brought into its comprehensive care.

The need for adequate housing is a growing concern for Maru Asha. The residency of children and staff only continues to develop and Trevor has made plans for a much-needed dormitory expansion project.

This construction plan includes building a second floor to the dormitory, which will be a total of 6,400 square feet and will include 4 large rooms, additional bathrooms, and a storage room. The total cost for this project includes the furnishing and outfitting of the dorm. Through this expansion, Trevor will be able to house up to 125 additional children who will now have the opportunity to receive quality care in a nurturing environment!

PROJECT COST

This expansion project will provide a better way of life and eternal hope for children from the slums of Jaipur. Through the provisions of shelter, nutrition, education, and spiritual development, children who have never experienced love in their lives will be given a place to call home.

The price of the Maru Asha School expansion will be \$93,500. The impact of creating room for 300 more students will be incredible.

The price to expand the dormitory at Maru Asha is \$116,500. The expansion is all-inclusive, covering the fees for construction, materials, equipment, and finishing work.

By providing the funds to expand both the Maru Asha School and dormitory, we can invest in the lives of hundreds of children in the slums of India . . . providing hope for brighter futures.

A combined total of \$210,000 will fully cover the cost of these projects and ultimately transform the lives of children in India.