# Proposal for project-specific-donation March 2020-April 2021

[Dhrupad Sansthan, Bhopal Trust](https://ashanet.org/project/?pid=1209) has been an Asha project since 2014. It is a unique project in that it is a classical music school that trains students regardless of financial need to become performing artists. Asha funds have supported scholarships for 20-25 students from 2014-2019.

Last year, Dhrupad Sansthan was on a strong path to realizing its self-sufficiency plan. It had expanded capacity to house sufficient paying students, national and international visitors/short term learners to earn the funds to support students in need of financial support.

Then, tragedy struck - and the school lost its principal administrator and income generator, Ramakant Gundecha who passed away suddenly. The school was recuperating admirably when the COVID-19 pandemic struck, effectively obliterating its income sources, while needing to support the 35 residents in lockdown.

Dhrupad Sansthan has issued a call for support and in response, a donor would like to donate $10k and company match.

The $20k will be used for used to support room and board expenses for those in lockdown and in need; continue to fund staff salaries (cook, gardener)  and support need based room and board scholarships for students over the course of the year. This will help continue the music education of students and give Dhrupad Sansthan breathing room to recover from the 1-2 punch they have suffered to regain self-sufficiency.