



"la Caixa" Foundation

Quick guide



Believing to transform

The *essence* of "la Caixa" Foundation

Since it was founded (2004), the **mission** of "la Caixa" Foundation has been to help build a better and fairer society by providing more opportunities to those most in need. We are guided by four core values: **social commitment, responsibility, integrity** and **transparency**.

With the **vision** of being a driving force in the transformation of society, we carry out initiatives aimed at improving people's quality of life, particularly of the most vulnerable, by promoting educational improvement and inclusion to help reduce structural inequalities, as well as fostering talent, research and innovation in the field of science with the aim of bringing about social progress and addressing challenges relating to health and well-being. We also believe that culture is a tool for personal growth and the advancement of society.

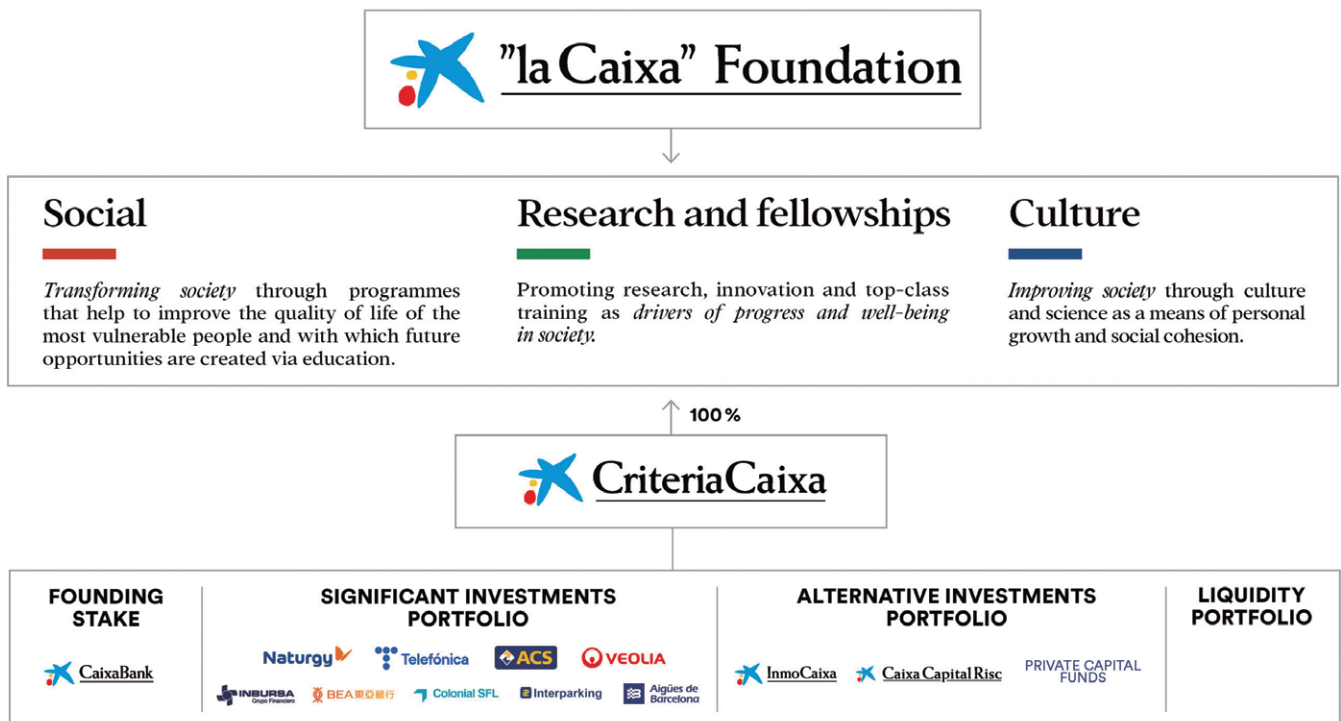


Over 120 years committed to people

La Caja de Pensiones para la Vejez y de Ahorros de Cataluña y Baleares, "la Caixa", was founded in 1904 by the Catalan lawyer, Francesc Moragas Barret, with the support of various organisations from Catalan civil society.

From the very start, "la Caixa" Foundation has earned a reputation for its **strong social commitment and vocation to further the interests of society at large**. Both through its financial business and also its work in society, the organisation implements long-term programmes and holds calls in three priority areas: social issues, research and fellowships, and culture.

"la Caixa" Foundation is one of the most important foundations in the world by volume of social investment.



Social

We promote the transformation of society

CaixaProinfancia

We work to break the cycle of hereditary poverty by promoting the social and educational development of children and young adults from families at risk of marginalisation.

443 partner organisations

Since the programme began in 2007

Children and young adults supported 411,096

In 2025

Children and young adults supported: 68,281

EduCaixa

We offer programmes, activities and resources to improve learning opportunities, particularly in schools in vulnerable areas. We foster good quality education by supporting and empowering teachers as agents of change and major players in the transformation of society.

In 2025

Pupils 749,172

Teachers 22,887

Participating schools 5,494

Incorpora

We help employment-vulnerable people to find a job, in collaboration with 488 social organisations.

Since the programme began in 2006

Employment contracts 481,707

Partner companies 103,329

In 2025

Employment contracts 42,957

Partner companies 16,809

Elderly people

We work to support older people by maximising their opportunities for personal growth and fostering supportive relationships, so they can enjoy a full life engaged with their community, as well as to prevent isolation and loneliness.

In 2025

Participants 566,907

Activities 19,984

Comprehensive care for people with advanced diseases

We provide psychosocial and spiritual support to people at the end of life and their families.

77 teams in 176 hospitals

Since the programme began in 2008

People with advanced diseases attended 414,535

Relatives attended 516,868

In 2025

People with advanced diseases attended 44,525

Relatives attended 50,103

Calls for Social Projects

We work together with social organisations to boost initiatives aimed at socially vulnerable people

Since the programme began in 1999

Projects funded 25,646

In 2025

Projects funded 1,662

Fundación de la Esperanza

An organisation working directly in the Ciutat Vella district of Barcelona to offer more opportunities to people in vulnerable situations..

In 2025

People attended 2,656

Volunteers 95

European Social Fund Plus

As an intermediate body for the ESF+ programmes on Social Inclusion, Child Guarantee and Fight Against Poverty, as well as the ESF+ Youth Employment programme, three calls have been held.

Since the +Employment programme began in 2024

Employment contracts 8,731

In 2025, with +Employment

Employment contracts 5,611

Partner companies 895

In 2025, with +Youth Employment

Employment contracts 347

Partner companies 103

Since the +Childhood programme began in 2024

Children supported 8,896

In 2025, with +Childhood

Children supported 8,439

Over 100 partner organisations

"la Caixa" Foundation Observatory

A new Observatory bringing together Palau Macaya (International Centre for Human and Social Sciences under the auspices of UNESCO) and the Social Observatory.

Its mission is to integrate social research with knowledge generation and transfer in order to enhance coherence and impact. Palau Macaya also houses the Barcelona office of the Club of Rome.



In 2025

Activities 520

Visitors 42,819

Projects receiving funding 45

Publications 20

International Cooperation and partnerships

We work to combat poverty and inequalities in Africa, Asia and Latin America by promoting programmes to improve employment, health and humanitarian action. We foster knowledge-sharing and global philanthropic collaboration through strategic partnerships.



Partnerships since the programme began in 1997

Organisations 850+

Countries 70

Partnerships in 2025

Organisations 220+

Countries 19

Beneficiaries 800,000+

ProFuturo Foundation

Together with the Telefónica Foundation, we promote the education of children from vulnerable communities across Latin America, Africa and Asia. We offer training and support for teachers and access to digital resources in order to reduce the educational divide.

In 2025

Countries 27

Children benefiting 740,000+

Schools 2,942

Teachers 230,000+

Research & Fellowships



We support talent and progress

We support talent, research and scientific innovation to build a better and healthier world based on knowledge.

Fellowships

"la Caixa" Foundation promotes academic excellence through its Fellowship programme, which covers all stages of higher education. These fellowships, aimed at outstanding students and researchers, offer a unique opportunity to further their education and develop their talents at the world's leading universities and research centres.

Since the programme began in 1982

Fellowships awarded 6,476

Fellowships awarded in 2025

Bachelor fellowships in Spain 55

Postgraduate fellowships abroad 100

Doctoral fellowships in Spain and Portugal 60

Postdoctoral fellowships in Spain and Portugal 40

Health research

The Health Research Call supports basic, clinical and translational research projects of scientific excellence and social impact.

The significance of these projects in the fields of biomedicine and health has made this Call a benchmark in the Iberian research ecosystem.

Since the programme began in 2018

Projects 234

38 of these were co-funded

In 2025

New projects 34

2 of these were co-funded with the Breakthrough T1D Foundation; 1 with the Luzón Foundation; and 3 with Portugal's Foundation for Science and Technology (FCT).

CaixaImpulse Innovation

The Health Innovation Call promotes the transfer of knowledge from the lab to patients in order to foster new products, services and companies in the life sciences and health sectors.

Over the course of a decade, CaixaImpulse has supported the creation of more than 50 spin-offs that develop biomedical and technological solutions to improve people's well-being.

Since the programme began in 2015

Projects 263

6 of these were co-funded with Portugal's Foundation for Science and Technology (FCT)

In 2025

New projects 31

2 of these were co-funded with Portugal's Foundation for Science and Technology (FCT)

CaixaResearch Institute

Spain's first large multi and interdisciplinary centre specialising in the immunology of disease. The first block is due to be opened in 2026. There are currently two research groups working there and the Biomedical Data Hub has been set up.

In 2025

Active research group leaders 2

Researchers and innovation experts attending the training activities in 57

Proposals funded through the innovation promotion fund (31 proposals received) 12

Strategic partnerships

We support a vital health ecosystem comprising six centres of research excellence which, in collaboration with the CaixaResearch Institute, drive medical research, promote the prevention and treatment of the most serious and deadly diseases, and foster scientific innovation with an impact on society.

IrsiCaixa

ISGlobal Instituto de Salud Global Barcelona

VHIO Institut d'Envelupament i Institut d'Envelupament

barcelonaβeta BRAIN RESEARCH CENTER

SJD Sant Joan de Déu Institut de Recerca

GIMM Galienian Institute for Molecular Medicine

The ecosystem in 2025

Researchers 1,529

5,700+ patients treated thanks to

1,250+ clinical trials for new treatments

Articles published 2,200+

Active companies 24

Science outreach

We promote initiatives that connect research with the public at large to spread knowledge and promote the transformation of society.

In 2025

CaixaResearch Institute biomedical research outreach day: "Immunorevolution: from research to the medicine of the future"

Reflection series: "Health prevention and promotion: from knowledge to action"

"Health Research Debates: Science in Dialogue"

CaixaForum+ documentary: *RED. Voices of HIV/AIDS against stigma*

Culture

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#CosmoCaixaMateMiFaSol



*We bring
knowledge
closer to society*

CaixaForum

The CaixaForum centres in Barcelona, Girona, Tarragona, Lleida, Palma, Valencia, Madrid, Zaragoza and Seville make up a cohesive network that adapts to the particular features of each region, promoting audience diversity and accessibility as the central focus of our cultural activities. To achieve this, we create dynamic, engaging experiences through a programme that is committed to excellence and fosters personalised, meaningful learning.

In 2025

Exhibitions	36
Activities	14,218
Visitors	3,260,602

CaixaForum+

A free streaming platform specialising in cultural and scientific content (available for websites, smart TVs, mobile devices and tablets).

Since its launch

Subscribers	330,000+
Hours watched	600,000+
Items of content	2,800+

Science Museum CosmoCaixa

The first science museum in Spain and one of the most important in Europe, it promotes social progress by disseminating science through exhibitions and activities.

In 2025

Visitors	1,190,965
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Contemporary Art Collection

One of the most important private collections in Europe, featuring works by national and international artists.

Since 1985

Exhibitions	200
Works	1,092
Artists	458

Local exhibitions and activities throughout the territory

Exhibitions, concerts and educational activities tailored to the unique characteristics of each region, designed to engage with the social, educational and cultural situation of various cities and towns across Spain and Portugal.

In 2025

Travelling exhibitions	40
Towns and cities	38
Concerts	10
Visitors	1.7 million+
Pupils in educational activities Nearly	28,000

Cap Roig

A venue that unites nature, art and culture, set in natural gardens that include a collection of sculptures by renowned artists. Its auditorium hosts a range of events throughout the year.

In 2025

Visitors	55,698
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The business assets *management* model

CriteriaCaixa is the independent and exclusive vehicle for **managing the assets of "la Caixa" Foundation**. These entities represent two sides of the same coin, forming a group whose main activity is to support and develop its work in society by soundly managing its assets.

As the Foundation's investment vehicle, CriteriaCaixa's **objectives** are to **generate resources** to secure its annual budget and to grow its assets through **the active management of its investment portfolio**.

CriteriaCaixa's dividends are **reinvested in programmes that improve people's lives**, supporting the most vulnerable by transforming society and promoting research and culture.

"la Caixa" Foundation, *one of the largest foundations in the world*

Budget 2026:

710 M€

Social

416 M€

Research & Fellowships

147 M€

Culture

147 M€

