

2013 Annual Report



MESSAGE FROM OUR FOUNDER

Dear Corazón de Vida Angels,

With your generous giving this year, we were able to continue our support of the orphanages serving over 700 children. Funding for basic needs – food, shelter, water, and utilities – was provided through committed monthly funding.

Over 700 volunteers traveled to Baja to visit and spend time with the children during our regularly scheduled public monthly trips. Visitors always come back with a renewed sense of love and compassion and a new perspective on their everyday lives.

We were also able to complete many quality of life improvements: construction of a new dorm at Rancho el Faro, upgrades and repairs at Casa Hogar Sion and El Faro in Tijuana, and provided basic medical and dental services to the children, all with special funds and assistance provided by our donors and partners.

Thank you for being our partners in this work, your generosity has made all of this possible!

Un Abrazo.

Hilda Pacheco-Taylor, Founder



INTRODUCTION

It is estimated that between 6,000-10,000 children are living and sleeping on the streets, begging for food and money, and suffering from malnutrition, sickness, and neglect in Baja, Mexico. Mexico has neither a foster care system to support neglected, abused, or abandoned children nor a welfare system to help parents who are unable to provide for their children.

Founded in 1994, Corazón de Vida ("CDV") is a US-based nonprofit organization supporting Baja orphanages. It provides children in dire need the necessities of shelter, food, clothing, education, and healthcare--as well as hope, compassion and love. CDV not only financially supports orphanages in Baja, but also provides assistance through frequent cross-border visits by board members, staff, and volunteers.

Founder Hilda Pacheco-Taylor grew up in Puerta de Fe orphanage in La Mision, Baja. She had a positive experience in the orphanage thanks to the financial support of American organizations. Corazón de Vida Foundation was born out of Hilda's sense of gratitude and her desire to give back.

Our Mission

To raise contributions in the form of money, materials, and volunteer work to support and empower the children of Baja.

Our Belief

We believe that every child's life is valued and holds the same potential, excitement, and opportunity as any other life. It is up to us to work together to make sure our care helps the orphans of Baja realize their full potential.

Our Goal

To End The Cycle of Poverty And Homelessness

Life-sustaining
Support:
Food
Shelter
Water
Utilities

Cuality of life
Improvements:
Facilities' repairs
and upgrades
Construction
Medical missions
Dental missions

Education:
Uniforms, tuition
Tutoring
Transportation
Career education
College/
University tuition

"Ending the cycle of poverty and homelessness....one child at a time."

ACTIVITIES & ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Orphanage Support: Life-sustaining support is a priority for Corazon de Vida, every month we provided funding to the orphanages under our program to cover basic needs and services – food, water, utilities and basic education. Special Project funding was to completed the building of a new dorm at Rancho el Faro, an orphanage for teens in Ensenada.

Orphanage Visits: Over 700 volunteers traveled with Corazon de Vida to spend time with the kids. Visiting the children is a very important part of how CDV donors and volunteers stay connected to the cause, and also a great way to provide the much needed love and attention the children deserve. With a ratio of ten or fifteen children to one care taker, one-on-one time with each child is very difficult.

Below is a beautiful note from a long time donor and volunteer, a testimony of the impact that her participation with Corazon de Vida has made in her life.



"I was first made aware about Corazon de Vida over 5 years ago through word of mouth within my alumni club - University of Notre Dame. I had expressed interest on volunteering with an organization that helps children. The 1st visit still resonates with me. I didn't know what to expect and didn't know much about the organization and its impact it has on the orphaned children of Baja. What makes this non profit so unique is that it's founder was in the exact same situation as these children that it helps. She also grew up in one of the orphanages in Baja. Her success and generosity in creating an organization to help other children growing up the way she did is a positive reminder to the children it helps that there is hope and there are people that care for them.

Today I'm not just a volunteer, I'm also a donor and enjoy doing what I can to raise money for CDV. The fact that such a small org can help over 720 kids is amazing. I love the kids as if they were my own. In fact my son was named like one of the kids we love visiting. He knows that too so when my son visits, big Diego takes my little Diego by the hand and in my heart they are brothers. All children are blessings from God and all deserve the best in life. CDV is doing what they can to give them a better life. Spread the message on what they do so that so that more children can realize their dreams too." Melissa – Donor/Volunteer

(The child on the right is Melisa's son, Diego, the child on the left if "big Diego" from the orphanage)

ACTIVITIES & ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Continuing Education Program Success Stories

We focus on providing opportunities for teens that are aging out of the orphanage system to continue their education. We started with 3 students our first year in 2011. In this 2013/14 school year, we have 25 past orphanage residents enrolled in college and technical school, well on their way to a better future and every one of them are very appreciative of the support and opportunity.



Cecilia Carmona

"I want to thank you for all your love, you really do not know and can not imagine how happy I am, this means a lot to me, I never imagined I would go to college, and look where I am thanks to the people who believed in me, and did not abandon me. You do not know, nor have any idea how much I love you, you are my family, you are my support, you are my happiness.

Thank you for your beautiful heart and thank you for believing in me"

Antonio David Luna

"I'm 18 years old and have lived in the orphanage since I was 5. My interest in cooking began in middle school, and 3 years ago when I started high school I knew without a doubt that I would study Gastronomy (gourmet cooking, culture, and cuisine).

One week ago I started university, and for me it's like a dream unfolding more and more everyday, I'm so happy and excited to have an opportunity of this magnitude. I have to mention that it's been possible through the support of Corazon de Vida and the people who with so much love support people like us. Thank you so much Corazon de Vida, may God bless you all."



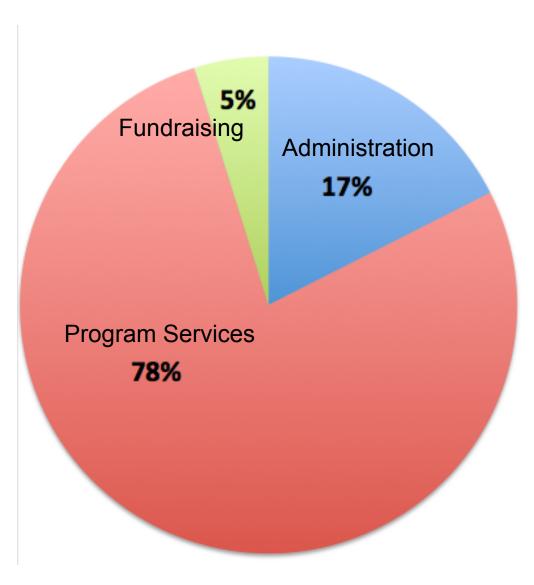
2013 TOTAL ANNUAL EXPENSES

Our Programs:

CDV's support to orphanages covers three program categories:

- 1) **Life-sustaining support**, food, shelter, water, and public services.
- 2) **Quality of Life Improvements**, basic medical and dental services, construction, and facility repairs to ensure the children's well-being and safety.
- 3) **Education**, providing support for educational expenses such as uniforms, supplies, and fees with an emphasis on higher education (universities and technical schools) as well as life skills needed to become self-sufficient, productive members of their communities.

We firmly believe that EDUCATION is one of the most important keys to ending the cycle of poverty and homelessness-- at the same time we know that it is imperative that we cover the basic survival needs before the possibility of a better future can exist.



FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AS OF 12/31/2013

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

REVENUE BY SOURCE

Contributions	\$695,655
In-Kind – Building	\$518,756
Events	\$97.566

Interest \$0

TOTAL REVENUE \$1,311,977

EXPENSE BY CATEGORY

Programs	\$527,957
Administration	\$119,196
Fundraising	\$32,858

TOTAL EXPENSES \$680,011

INCREASE IN NET ASSETS \$631,966

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

ASSETS

Cash	\$161,643
Restricted Cash	\$143,480
Accounts Receivable	\$4,343
Fixed Assets	\$518,756
Other Assets	\$4,093

TOTAL ASSETS \$832,325

LIABILITIES

TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$3,063
Payroll Liabilities	\$990
Accounts Payable	\$2,073

NET ASSETS

TOTAL NET ASSETS	\$829,252
Temporarily Restricted	\$157,643
Unrestricted	\$671,609

TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS \$832,315

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We rely on the generous support of individuals, foundations, and corporations. Financial gifts to Corazón de Vida support our mission to end the cycle of poverty and homelessness in Baja, Mexico. Benefactors help to provide the opportunities that do not exist otherwise for children in orphanages in Mexico. Please contact us for information about the many ways you can support our mission.

Individual Donations and Orphanage Sponsorships:

You can make a one-time donation directly on our website or sign up to be a monthly sponsor. Through monthly sponsorship, you provide consistent support to an orphanage for life sustaining support serivces. Donations can be made monthly or upfront for a year. There are various levels of sponsorships listed on our website.

Planned Giving:

Individuals may include CDV in their estate plans and wills as well as through retirement plans and IRAs, which may provide a number of tax advantages.

Corporate Community Partners:

We will match businesses, organizations, schools, and clubs with orphanages to provide on-going support as well as opportunities for employees to participate in outreach activities such as orphanage trips, work trips, and fundraising events. This is a great way to create a sense of community and volunteerism within your company, club, or organization.

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