

CASA DE ESPERANZA MINISTRIES, INC.

2019 ANNUAL REPORT



MISSION

The mission statement of Casa de Esperanza Ministries, Inc. states that we have three branches of work in Honduras: dental/medical/optical brigades, construction services, and the operation of transition/educational homes and scholarship programs for disadvantaged youth.

MEDICAL, DENTAL AND OPTICAL BRIGADES

During 2019, Casa held a Dental Brigade in cooperation with the Evangelical Hospital in Siguatepeque. This was done during the dates of March 2-9, 2019. The dentists on the trip were Dr. Randy Moeller and Dr. Matthew Moeller. We visited 5 sites around the city of Siguatepeque and also did one day at Iglesia de Dios Pentecostal Church, which is involved in the Compassion International Program. We performed 307 extractions, 21 filings, and 367 cleanings. 500 Spanish New Testament Bibles were handed out. Each day there were several informal teaching sessions given to the waiting patients on dental hygiene.

BY THE NUMBERS:

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500 SPANISH NEW TESTAMENT BIBLES DISTRIBUTED

5 SITES AROUND THE CITY OF SIGUATEPEQUE

CONSTRUCTION SERVICES

During the March trip, there were several people who worked on the ongoing construction of a home in the town on Siguatepeque, barrio San Francisco, for the family of Julio and Ingrid Gomez. This home will also serve as a site to hold Bible studies and informal worship services and gatherings for the church. Casa will also be able to place young adults who come to Siguatepeque to study in the universities. We worked on the electrical system and construction of kitchen cabinetry. Casa will continue to contribute financially to the continued construction of this home as funds become available.

We continue to do small repairs at the home we rent in Barrio Por Venir in Siguatepeque. Tasks included the removal of moldy and crumbling dry wall in the kitchen, repair of water lines, repair of plumbing problems, and maintenance on the grounds.



We built 2 foot bridges for the community of Tres Pasos, which will greatly increase the safety and ease of travel for the residents. Top Photo: Before | Bottom Photo: After

EDUCATION PROJECTS

Our main educational home is in Colonia Las Lamas del Rio, Segunda Etapa in Comayagua. Our house parents are Ada Linda Morales and Jose Maria Alcerro a Honduran married couple. We started the academic year off in February with a total of 8 boys. Two of these young men graduated in November of 2018 from high school and stayed with the project in order to enroll in a logistics and customs course offered through the local government. The other 6 boys are enrolled in a technical high school in Comayagua, studying in the areas of welding and electricity. Two young men graduated from this in November of 2019, one went to Spain with his mother to continue his university studies and the other is applying for an aviation mechanics program at the Pamerola Air Base in Comayagua.

We continue to offer a woodworking skills class at the home, employing a part time carpentry instructor. The boys are learning to carve wood for boxes, crosses and other decorations and also learning to build basic furniture. The monthly budget for this educational project is \$2,000. This includes the offering to the couple, and the support of their 2 school age boys in a private school. Traditionally the month of February has a higher budget due to the start of the school year and the purchase of school supplies and uniforms.

We started to support a young lady of 19 years, from Siguatepeque, Ana Canales, in her freshman year at the National Autonomía Honduran University (UNAH). She was accepted into the medical school there and lives in an apartment with other medical students. In September, we started to support a young man, Cristian Barrientos, as he started his university studies at the Roman Catholic University of Honduras in Tegucigalpa. The cost of these two young people is approximately \$900 per month.

We are also paying the college tuition of Jonathan Gomez, who is starting his studies at the Roman Catholic University in Siguatepeque, at the cost of \$175 per month.

We also continue to support three children attending El Alba bilingual school in Siguatepeque. The tuition, transportation, and school supplies are approximately \$800 per month. They are in fourth, seventh, and eighth grade.

Casa has been supporting the development of a youth musical group at Iglesia de Dios Pentecostal in Siguatepeque. We have given funds towards guitars, a keyboard, musical lessons and the promotion of concerts.



**LEARN MORE ABOUT OUR EDUCATION PROJECTS AT
[CASAOFHOPE.COM/WHAT-WE-DO](https://casaofhope.com/what-we-do)**



'I CAN'T EXPRESS HOW THANKFUL MY FAMILY AND I ARE TO CASA DE ESPERANZA FOR THEIR SUPPORT SHOWN TO ME. I FEEL THAT [AFTER COLLEGE] GOD IS CALLING ME TO SERVE MY PEOPLE AND MY COUNTRY IN DIFFERENT WAYS. I SEE THE NEED IN MY COUNTRY AND WOULD LIKE TO USE MY KNOWLEDGE TO CONTRIBUTE AND SERVE OTHERS AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE.'

-ALLAN BARRIENTOS, SOPHOMORE AT
CORNERSTONE UNIVERSITY

OTHER COSTS

Casa de Esperanza Ministries, Inc. rents a house in Barrio Por Venir, in Siguatepeque and the rent is \$500 per month. We use this house to stay in with our mission groups and when members of the board of directors travel to Honduras. It is also where we store our dental and optical brigade equipment.

Casa also owns and maintains 3 vehicles in Honduras, a 1994 Toyota Hilux, a 2000 Chevrolet Van, and a 2011 Toyota Hilux. The costs for insurance, maintenance, registration, and repairs was approximately \$3,000 this past year.

Casa de Esperanza holds non-profit status both in the United States as a 501 © (3) non-profit organization and a Personaria Juridica in Honduras. Our two legal representatives in Honduras are Jose Maria Alcerro and Lori Ann DeWitt. We have a lawyer in Honduras, Guillermo Argueta, whose specialty is non-profit organizations working in Honduras. Legal and accounting fees both here in the USA and Honduras, are approximately \$4,500 per year.

Fundraising for each of these areas and projects come from donations from private individuals, churches, and fundraising activities.



ANNUAL HIGHLIGHTS:

2 STUDENTS, ALDO AND JOSUE, GRADUATED HIGH SCHOOL

CASA RECEIVED DONATIONS FROM STUDENTS AT CORNERSTONE UNIVERSITY AND BYRON CENTER CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

OUR MARCH TRIP MARKED 100 COMPLETED DENTAL CLINICS

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

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