



NPH USA
Raising Children. Supporting Families.
Transforming Lives.



OUR WORK: NPH NICARAGUA

Country Facts

Area: 50,336 square miles – slightly smaller than New York state

Population: 6,301,880 (2022 est.)

Languages: Spanish (official) 95.3%, Miskito 2.2%, Mestizo of the Caribbean coast 2%

Issues: One of the poorest countries in Latin America; earthquakes, volcanoes, landslides, extremely susceptible to hurricanes



NPH Nicaragua At a Glance

Opened: May 10, 1994

Location: Casa Padre Wasson is 45 minutes southwest of Managua in Jinotepe

NPH Operates:



Family-style home



School (grades K - 11)



Medical clinic



Farms and greenhouses



Vocational workshops



Community Programs include an academic scholarship program, meals and healthcare for children/youth in the community, NPH OneFamily which provides services to families in need, and the "Good Samaritan" and San Jorge programs.

NPH Nicaragua 2021 Impact



350
children and adults supported

137
local people employed

53
K - University graduates



Did You Know?

- Marlon Velásquez, NPH Nicaragua’s National Director, is an *Hermano Mayor* (“Older Brother”), who was raised at NPH Honduras. ▶
- Originally, children age 8 and older lived on Ometepe Island and those under age 7 lived in San Jorge on the mainland. An earthquake and volcanic activity on the island caused a temporary evacuation of the home in August 2005, and due to ongoing safety concerns, new property was acquired. The new site, Casa Padre Wasson, opened in December 2011.
- The farms have a variety of fruits and vegetables, as well as chickens, cows, fish and pigs.
- The wastewater treatment system works without electricity or chemicals and the treated water is used for irrigation of green areas, gardens and agricultural programs.
- The vocational workshops offer certification in shoe-making, sewing, residential electricity, welding, computers, and English.
- The “Good Samaritan” program provides physical, motor, intellectual, and sensory therapies to children living with disabilities, and also supports in-house instruction for parents of disabled children. ▶
- In 2021, nearly 80 children in the San Jorge community benefitted from therapies, transport to medical appointments at external hospitals, and primary medical care by NPH doctors.
- Despite challenges brought on by COVID-19, NPH Nicaragua provided tools and resources to help youth transition into self-sufficient adults via vocational training, certifications, and workshops.



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