



NPH USA.
Raising Children. Supporting Families.
Transforming Lives.



OUR IMPACT: NPH BOLIVIA

Country Facts

Area: 424,164 square miles – approximately the size of California and Texas combined

Population: 12,186,079 (2023 est.)

Languages: Spanish, Quechua, Aymara

Issues: Ranks at or near the bottom among Latin American countries in several areas of health and development, including poverty, education, fertility, malnutrition, mortality, and life expectancy; soil erosion; loss of biodiversity; industrial pollution of water supplies



NPH Bolivia At a Glance

Opened: April 17, 2005

Location: Casa Padre William B. Wasson is located in the lowlands 50 miles north of Santa Cruz in San Ignacio de Sara where the weather is hot, humid and rainy.

NPH Operates:



Family-style home



Primary school (grades K - 6)



Medical clinic



Children help maintain the gardens and farm, which includes vegetables, fruit, and livestock



Community Programs include the Createens art program, and training workshops for children and youth in the surrounding area

NPH Bolivia 2022 Impact



133
children and adults supported

53
local people employed

14
K - University graduates



Did You Know?

- Patricia Rueda became NPH Bolivia's National Director in 2020. ▶
- A variety of vegetables are grown in gardens at the children's houses. These gardens give the children a chance to acquire new skills in the field as well as learn the values of responsibility and patience. Food grown in the children's gardens is used for meals, thus supplementing the home's budget.
- The Createens art program provides a multifunctional safe space for teens to be creative, strengthen self-confidence, and develop problem solving while reducing depression and anxiety.
- NPH workshops prepare youth from both the home and community for independent living by focusing on personal development, finances, cooking, employment opportunities, and vocational training.
- The dairy milk project provides children with fresh milk and makes the home more self-sustainable. ▶
- In 2022, two houses were opened in Portachuelo for young adults transitioning from the NPH home to independent living. Under the guidance of a facilitator, the young adults learn essential life skills such as going to school on their own, shopping, and using public transport, health services and banks by themselves. This program prepares them for living independently away from the NPH home so they may be self-sufficient members of the community.
- While NPH has always believed in keeping biological children together, homes were typically assigned by age groups. Recently, five homes were converted to allow biological siblings to live together as a family unit.

Bolivian law prohibits us from using photos that show the faces of minors.



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