



## OUR CALLING

Nuestros Pequeños Hermanos (NPH) means "Our Little Brothers and Sisters" in Spanish. NPH USA provides fundraising and volunteer programs for NPH to help children and youth break free from poverty by delivering essentials like nutritious food, education, health care, and job training.

Started by Father William Wasson in 1954, NPH has changed the lives of tens of thousands of vulnerable children and young adults in Latin America and Haiti.

Providing love and vital social services, NPH strengthens families and helps kids grow into independent, caring adults who give back to their communities, shaping brighter futures for themselves, their families, and their communities.

NPH USA also plays a crucial role in supporting St. Damien Pediatric Hospital, the only hospital in Haiti solely dedicated to pediatric and high-risk maternity care, and the only one in the country that offers pediatric oncology care.

# THE DIFFERENCE WE'RE MAKING

Reuniting and strengthening families: Poverty often fractures families because parents do not have the means to provide essentials for their children. NPH puts the safety and rights of children first, assisting those who wish to be reunited with family members when safe and able. Intensive preparation and attention go into reintegrating children and adolescents with their biological families. Experts like psychologists and social workers provide specialized support and rigorous oversight to protect children and empower them to reach their goals.

#### Providing life-changing family wraparound services:

Impoverished communities are often lacking in basic social services, like access to healthy food, education, child daycare, therapy, or medical care. NPH diligently evaluates and fills vital gaps. It's not just what NPH does to help children and families, it's how. Over the decades, NPH has run excellent schools, medical clinics, food and agricultural programs, and vocational and life skills training programs, helping break the cycle of generational poverty.

Operating safe, nurturing homes: NPH began by providing homes for highly vulnerable orphaned or abandoned children—raising and caring for siblings together in a loving family environment. Medical clinics, schools, farms, therapy centers, and chapels were situated near the homes for holistic child development. Today, these homes house children who are not able to be fully reintegrated with biological family members for a variety of reasons, and hundreds of children in nearby communities benefit from NPH services and programs "on campus."



9,000+

children and families supported

**68.5**%

increase in community children served, not including community students being supported with education scholarships

91,786

services provided through community outreach programs



## **NPH Operations**

- BOLIVIA San Ignacio de Sara, Portachuelo
- DOMINICAN REPUBLIC San Pedro de Macoris, Monte Plata
- **EL SALVADOR** Texistepeque, Santa Ana
- GUATEMALA Parramos, Chimaltenango
- HAITI Kenscoff, Tabarre, Pétionville
- HONDURAS La Venta, Catacamas, Talanga, Guaimaca, Mata de Plátano, Tegucigalpa
- MEXICO Miacatlán, Cuernavaca, Matamoros, Monterrey
- NICARAGUA Jinotepe, Managua, Ometepe Island, Rivas
- **PERU** San Vicente de Cañete

	FAMILY AND Community Strengthening	EDUCATION AND DEVELOPMENT	SUPPORT FOR Those with Disabilities	YOUTH AND Economic Empowerment	HEALTH And Wellbeing
BOLIVIA	Family-style home Family reunification	School (K-6)	Special needs program	Farm Home for transition to independent living	Medical clinic
DOMINICAN Republic	Family-style home Temporary home for at-risk children Family reunification	School (K-12) Vocational workshops Scholarships	Special needs program	Farm & greenhouse Empowerment programs	Medical clinic Care for radiation patients from Haiti Ambulatory surgery center
EL SALVADOR	Family-style home Daycare center	School (K-9) Vocational workshops Scholarships		Farms Empowerment programs	Medical clinic
GUATAMALA	Family-style home Family & daycare centers Family reunification	School (K-9) Vocational workshops Scholarships	Special needs program	Farm & greenhouse Empowerment programs	Medical clinic
HAITI	Family-style homes	Schools (K-10 & K-12) Scholarships	Special needs program Rehab therapy centers for those with neurological disorders	Farm & greenhouse	Medical clinic St. Damien Pediatric Hospital
HONDURAS	Family-style home Temp. homes for at-risk children Family & daycare centers Family reunification	School (K-9) Vocational workshops Scholarships	Special needs program Home for children with severe disabilities	Farms Empowerment programs	Medical clinic Home for elderly Soup kitchen Surgery center
MEXICO	Family-style homes Single mothers program Family reunification	School (K-9) Technical high school Scholarships	Special needs program	Farm & greenhouse	Medical clinic
NICARAGUA	Family-style home Workshops for parents Family reunification	School (K-11) Vocational workshops Scholarships	Therapy center for children living with disabilities and parental education	Farms & greenhouses	Medical clinic
PERU	Family-style home Family center Family reunification	School (K-11) Vocational workshops Scholarships	Special needs program	Farm Home for transition to independent living	Medical clinic





# FAMILY AND COMMUNITY STRENGTHENING

Children grow best in the love and care of families. NPH helps vulnerable children by strengthening families, providing nutrition, education, counseling, health care, vocational and life skills training to empower them and enable them to thrive.

In 2023, after rigorous preparation, we successfully reintegrated 217 children with their biological families, keeping the rights and protection of the children as our top priority. Given the tremendous success of the community family centers in Guatemala and Honduras, we opened a new center in Peru. The Padre Wasson Community Center provides tutoring and educational assistance, economic empowerment, preventive healthcare services, and programs to foster healthy family relationships.

Many NPH residential homes are being reconfigured to accommodate siblings living together and, thanks to donor contributions, the Haiti home erected a 515-foot-long fence to eliminate a security threat and secure the foyer.

# SUPPORT FOR THOSE WITH DISABILITIES

In the places we serve, living with a disability is unimaginably difficult due to cultural stigmas and the extraordinary cost and expertise of specialty treatment and medications. We help the most marginalized by giving them love, dignity, and the essential services they need. We serve these children into adulthood in both our residential homes and through outpatient therapy centers, providing medical care, occupational therapy, education, and stimulating ways to play and contribute their unique gifts.

This year, we opened a new facility in Nicaragua specifically for the care of children with disabilities. We also were able to expand our inclusive park at our Rancho Santa Fe home in Honduras to include accommodations for more children with disabilities and their families, so now all the children can play together.



1,550 fully supported children and adults living at NPH homes

fully supported children living with family

community children received ongoing support



7,057 specialized therapeutic treatments

1,123 children and adults with disabilities or special needs supported

children and adults with chronic conditions, disabilities or special needs are living at NPH





# EDUCATION AND DEVELOPMENT

In the areas where we operate, education is either inaccessible or unaffordable for legions of children. Whether we provide schooling directly or provide scholarships, our programs give vulnerable youth access to education, from pre-Kindergarten all the way through university. In societies where girls are particularly vulnerable, NPH offers them equal opportunity to learn and excel.

In 2023, we continued to fill vital educational gaps by providing tutoring, counseling, vocational training, and even parenting workshops. The end result is better educated and more productive young citizens.

In 2023, we built and renovated NPH schools, libraries, and science laboratories so children had safe, comfortable, and modern facilities in which to learn. We purchased and operated buses to get children to and from the schools. We hired teachers to instruct and tutor students.

An NPH education is unique in that it balances academic and vocational coursework. In 2023, we enrolled more community participants in the workshop program which will strengthen their abilities to find work, a stable income, and independence.

# YOUTH AND ECONOMIC EMPOWERMENT

Developing youth in the communities we serve into healthy, productive adults is the key to breaking the generational cycle of poverty. In addition to traditional education, we provide well-rounded programs and workshops to ensure young people have both the soft and hard skills needed to build better futures for themselves and their communities. Character-building and life-skill training helps young people build self-esteem, make better decisions, and possess a service orientation.

In Mexico, we launched a new workshop for single mothers to develop skills and financial literacy so they can gain independence and stability. To develop important skills and achieve greater independence and stronger ties with community establishments, children and adolescents in Peru were integrated into artistic, cultural and sports workshops provided by the Municipality of San Vicente de Cañete. NPH Bolivia established a supportive environment for youth that equips adolescents with networking and other life skills necessary for progressive autonomy.



**5,267** children are enrolled in education through NPH

856 students graduated from K-12

72 attended colleges or trade schools with NPH scholar-ships.

students graduated from university



2,249 local people employed at NPH homes, facilities, and programs

graduated from technical or vocational schools

NPH youth did a year of service, not only giving back to their NPH family, but gaining job skills



# HEALTH AND WELLBEING

Each NPH home has a medical clinic so that the children have access to onsite medical care. We also offer health care services to surrounding communities. These clinics are a lifeline for those who would not otherwise have access to health care.

In 2023, we provided over 17,000 medical consultations. In addition to providing medical care for the sick, we provide preventive services to help children stay healthy. One preventive project we completed was an overhaul of the menus at our homes and community centers to ensure maximum nutritional value and boost children's immune systems to minimize preventable conditions.

#### St. Damien Pediatric Hospital

NPH's St. Damien Pediatric Hospital in Port-au-Prince, Haiti, is the only hospital dedicated to pediatric and prenatal care in the country of 11.5 million people. St. Damien provides the only pediatric cancer care in Haiti, is one of the few facilities that can handle high-risk OB and NICU patients, and is a leader in providing HIV education and care. Simply put, St. Damien gives health and hope to the people of Haiti.

In 2023, the socio-political situation in Haiti continued to deteriorate. Haiti faced numerous crises, including gang violence, political turmoil, and humanitarian issues. Haiti has been without unelected officials since January 2023. While the country grappled with political instability, gangs took advantage of its vulnerability. More than 40% of Haitians experienced food insecurity, and access to electricity, safe drinking water, sanitation, healthcare, and education was severely limited. As of December 2023, more than 310,000 people were internally displaced.

Despite these challenges, St. Damien Pediatric Hospital remained open and operational for the entire year. True to the vision of Father Wasson and a testament to the unwavering spirit of the St. Damien team, the hospital responded to the desperate needs of the Haitian people.

St. Damien relies almost entirely on donations to obtain life-saving medicines, provide treatment, and maintain the hospital. St. Damien is a shining beacon for vulnerable patients with nowhere else to go. Thousands of newborn babies, pregnant women, cancer patients, and many others receive quality, compassionate care thanks to a medical team that believes poverty should not be a death sentence.



### NPH MEDICAL CLINICS

17,020 medical consults (exclusive of St. Damien Pediatric Hospital)

2,018 vaccinations

1,579 dental treatments

## ST. DAMIEN PEDIATRIC HOSPITAL

room visits

55,797 services provided to women and children in need pediatric consults

9,573 pediatric consults

1,193 HIV program consults

3,917 maternity visits

1,966 babies delivered



# OVER SEVEN DECADES, CHILDREN IN DESPERATE NEED HAVE COUNTED ON US

August 2, 2024, marks 70 years since the founding of Nuestros Pequeños Hermanos (NPH) in Mexico. Quite a milestone!

Over the course of founder Father William Wasson's lifetime, NPH became family to thousands of abandoned children in nine different countries across Latin America and Haiti. These "pequeños" not only survived but grew to become responsible, compassionate, faith-filled, economically independent adults who have been pillars of strength in their families and communities.

Father Wasson said, "If you aren't growing, you're dying." Heeding his wisdom, NPH is set to grow and evolve in order to respond to the dire needs of the poor.

Our life-changing work is dependent upon donor support. NPH is poised to multiply our impact in the decades to come, changing the trajectory of the lives of an even greater number of children through family- and community-based programs and services.

As a tribute to every NPH USA supporter, we created this retrospective 70th Anniversary video showcasing NPH's evolution and tremendous impact over seven decades. Thank you, compassionate, generous donors!



Scan to view 70th Anniversary video or go to: nphusa.org/70years



"I am Djoolyana Paul and I joined the NPH family in Haiti when I was 10 months old. In 2023, I turned 21 years old and entered my 2nd year of Legal Sciences."

"NPH is a big, beautiful family. It instills moral values in children, allowing us to become honest and valuable citizens of our society. It educates us and pushes us to give the best of ourselves.

I'm at university today and have huge plans, like having my own law firm. But none of this would have been possible without our dedicated and tireless donors. Thanks to them, NPH continues to exist and can still help other children in need. Thanks to them, I was able to have a good education, something to eat, something to wear, and a roof on top of my head. I was able to have a loving and sensitive family, and more importantly, thanks to supporters, I have a future and dreams that will come true.

Without their precious help, I don't know what I would have become today. I know that with all these advantages, I will be the person I am destined to be.

NPH is, and will remain one, of the most beautiful things of my life."



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## MESSAGE FROM The National Board Chair



For 70 years, NPH has provided a loving and safe home, health care, an education and opportunities to tens of thousands of vulnerable children and youth living in extreme conditions across Latin America and the Caribbean. Through our residential care programs and community work we give children the opportunity to develop their potential, shaping better futures for themselves, their families and communities. In addition, we provide vital healthcare services to women and children living in Haiti through our work at St. Damien Pediatric Hospital.

Though the nature of our work has and will continue to evolve to better meet the needs of the vulnerable children we serve, our mission is guided by the same core values, helping children cultivate a strong sense of **Love and Security, Responsibility, Sharing, Work, Faith and Service.** 

Change, by its very nature, can be daunting. It forces us to get comfortable with the unknown and requires courage and faith. Anyone who yearns for a better place—to be better— must resolve to embrace a vision for a better future.

This is not only true for pequeños who found opportunity through NPH, but it is true for us as an organization. The challenges in the countries where we operate are more complex than ever. Amid escalating violence, rocketing inflation, food scarcity, and civil unrest, children are highly vulnerable. We must find new and effective ways to protect them and put the rights and safety of these beautiful children first.

NPH is fortifying its position as a highly trusted champion of children, providing family services, education, medical care, support for those with disabilities, and independent living readiness programs. With funding largely from individuals, these programs and services are able to efficiently reach more people and faithfully fulfill our mission to break the cycle of intergenerational poverty. Every donor can lay claim to helping children achieve their God-given potential and instilling in them the desire to give back—thereby creating a better world for themselves, their families, and their communities.

We hope this 2023 report provides an inspirational overview of NPH's work and impact in the world. Donors are the lifeblood of our work and we are forever grateful for your ongoing support of our mission.

Kelly McNamara Corley National Board Chair, NPH USA

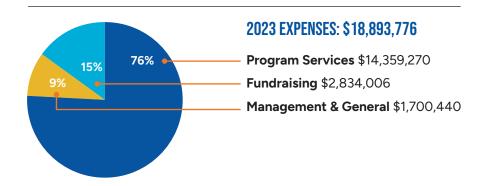
### 2023 REVENUE: \$20,560,874

 Contributions
 \$14,598,221
 71%

 Bequests
 \$2,685,093
 13%

 Special Events
 \$2,846,297
 14%

 Investment
 \$431,263
 2%





### 2023 NET ASSETS: \$19,528,444

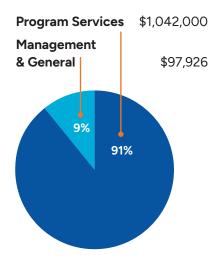
### 2023 REVENUE: \$3,982,230

**Contributions** \$2,093,273 53%

Investment

Income (net) \$1,888,957 47%

### 2023 EXPENSES: \$1,139,926



### THE FR. WASSON LEGACY ENDOWMENT

The Fr. Wasson Legacy Endowment Inc. (FWLEI), a registered 501(c)(3) nonprofit corporation, Tax ID # 91-2005679, was founded in 1995 to help provide long-term financial stability for the homes and programs of Nuestros Pequeños Hermanos (NPH). The Endowment consists of a diversified portfolio of equity, fixed income assets, and cash, governed by an independent board of directors and professionally managed.

### **2023 HIGHLIGHTS**

#### Reported by Jack Hansen, President, FWLEI

As Chair of the Fr. Wasson Legacy Endowment (FWLEI), I am pleased to be able to share a short update on the many positive developments.

To start, the positive investment markets in 2023 helped the endowment portfolio grow 16.9%. At the end of Fiscal Year 2023, the FWLEI portfolio was valued at \$19.5 million. Longer term results are also very favorable. FWLEI's 10-year compound annualized rate of return has been 7.1%. Over the long term, FWLEI seeks to produce returns which closely track but modestly exceed market outcomes with a careful eye to managing risk and keeping costs low.

Why is FWLEI so important to NPH's long-term success in serving disadvantaged children and communities? Because FWLEI represents a long-term, stable source of funding for NPH's ongoing operations. Set up as a perpetual pool, FWLEI seeks to distribute approximately 5% of the pool's value each year to support NPH's operations. In 2023, FWLEI distributed more than \$940,000 to help the NPH mission. In summary, FWLEI helps bring a more secure future to the children and communities NPH serves.

With each gift, FWLEI's ability to help vulnerable children and communities increases, not only today but long into the future. This past year, FWLEI was blessed with several very large estate and living legacy gifts. Reflecting amazing generosity, the Richard Murray and R. Jean Gray estate gifts totaled nearly \$4.5 million. FWLEI also received very generous living legacy gifts. One living legacy gift was given as a "named fund" to honor the life of an NPH supporter and loved one. The other very generous dedicated living legacy gift will come in phases and is designed to provide financial support to young NPH adults moving on to university education. In total, these named funds will add over \$1 million to the FWLEI endowment. NPH is so very blessed to have so many creative, caring and generous supporters.

The FWLEI Board continues to be guided by an extremely talented and passionate team of volunteers. As a group, we are focused on creating investment success, the development of a deep, diverse and capable leadership team and the formation of donor support efforts to better serve NPH supporters and ensure long term success.

To close, I want to again thank all those that have contributed to FWLEI. This includes the very capable and dedicated board members, those who have made gifts in the past, and current FWLEI contributors. Thank you for helping build a bright future for thousands of children and families.

On behalf of the Fr. Wasson Legacy Endowment Board, and especially the children we serve across all our homes and programs, I am truly grateful to all who make possible this life-changing work.

# You Can Make A Difference

# EVERY CHILD NEEDS A DEPENDABLE CHAMPION

Children living in extreme conditions due to poverty are often left to think that dreams belong only to those in better places.

The global NPH family believes that every child needs a reliable champion to help them achieve their potential. YOU can be that champion by choosing to sponsor children in a variety of ways through a recurring donation. YOUR RECURRING GIFT is a gift of love, giving highly vulnerable children an education, nutritious food, health care, practical skills, values, and the ability to build brighter futures for themselves, their families, and their communities.

Here are some of the ways you can sponsor a child through consistent monthly support and be a light and a lifeline—someone who supports and believes in them.

### BE A GODPARENT | nphusa.org/godparent

As a Godparent, you have an opportunity to provide material support and to have two-way communication. Your letters to your Godchild give encouragement and a sense that the child is important to someone outside their own world.

### **EMPOWER CHILDREN AND FAMILIES**

#### nphusa.org/donate

Your reliable support protects and prepares children so they may break the cycle of poverty by growing up healthy, safe, educated, and economically independent. A monthly commitment enables us to sustain our life-changing programs.

# PROVIDE LIFESAVING MEDICAL CARE TO ST. DAMIEN PEDIATRIC HOSPITAL | nphusa.org/helpstdamien

With your consistent monthly support, the valiant staff at St. Damien hospital in Haiti can count upon funding for modernized equipment and a steady stream of medication and supplies to serve sick children and at-risk expectant mothers.

# SPONSOR A UNIVERSITY OR VOCATIONAL STUDENT | nphusa.org/education

Your gift to of an education or vocation is a true povertybuster. You are providing students with the opportunity to fully excel, helping create local job opportunities and successful pathways to independence and to serving their fellow brothers and sisters.

### OTHER WAYS TO HELP

- Give with a Donor Advised Fund, stocks, or securities
- Remember NPH USA in your estate plan/will
- · Attend or host a local fundraising event
- · Volunteer at a local office, event, or at an NPH home
- Take a trip of a lifetime by visiting those we serve in Latin America and Haiti
- Spread the word about the transformative work of NPH!
   Share our emails and social media posts. Invite others to virtual or in-person events.









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