

# **Country Facts**

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

**Population:** 12,311,974 (2024 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 homes



Homes for transition to independent living



Farm



Medical clinic



Community Programs include parenting workshops, seed capital initiatives, neighborhood projects, and family reintegration



NPH Bolivia **2024 Impact** 



109 children and adults supported

46 local people employed

**21**K - University graduates



### **Did You Know?**

- **Residential Care**-In 2024, we transitioned to a family-based care model, creating a home-like environment that fosters stronger caregiver-child bonds. We integrated children into the community through education and recreational activities, reinforcing their social connections. By upholding children's rights, we ensured access to quality education, participation in decisions, and a safe environment for growth.
- **Family Reintegration** Through personalized plans, we strengthened family bonds, improved economic stability, and enhanced housing conditions. Parental skill workshops, recognized by local authorities, empowered families to create safer homes. Seed capital initiatives enabled economic growth, ensuring long-term stability.
- **Youth Empowerment** This program supported young adults transitioning from residential care to independent living. We focused on job placement and rebuilding social networks, equipping them with the tools needed for self-sufficiency.
- **Farm** 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.





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