

Country Facts

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

Population: 6,676,948 (2024 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:



School (grades K - 10)



Vocational workshops



Housing for university students



Farm



Medical clinic



Community Programs include an academic scholarship program, meals and health care for children/youth in the community, NPH OneFamily which provides services to families in need, and the Good Samaritan program

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2024 Impact



728 children and adults supported

118 local people employed

57K - University graduates



Did You Know?

- 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.
- Vocational workshops certified by the National Technological Institute (INATEC) are offered in the following areas: sewing, welding, electricity, English, and office technology. Non-certified workshops are offered in jewelry making and decorative objects, as well as drawing and certain musical instruments in the area of arts
- The **Good Samaritan Program** provides medical services and therapies to children living with disabilities, and counseling and tutoring for parents so they may provide quality care for their children. ▶
- Community outreach, including training parents, and workshops on decorative arrangement and crafts, was expanded in 2023.
- In 2024, the NPH school achieved a 96.5% retention rate, demonstrating the commitment of students and staff to academic success. Active student participation in all educational programs fostered engagement and motivation.





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