

ANNUAL REPORT 2023



CENTRO
INFANTIL
de los Angeles

THEY ARE ANGELS!

A LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Current and Future Supporters,

I am thrilled to write to you today to share some great accomplishments and miracles that help us continue our mission!! Our mission at Centro Infantil de los Angeles is to provide safe, nurturing, and stimulating daycare and preschool education to children from low-income families in San Miguel de Allende, Mexico. Our aim is to give children a solid foundation for lifelong learning and success. We believe every child deserves access to high-quality education, regardless of their background or financial situation. At Centro Infantil de los Angeles, we strive to be a beacon of hope and opportunity for our community: One child at a time.

At the beginning of every year, we look at our expenses and income. We always see there is not enough income to run our school for the upcoming year. We question: “How will we pay our teachers and Administrator a respectable salary to keep them employed with us? Should we cut back one or two classes?” Our answer is always to persevere on Faith. We have faith that YOU, our supporters will come through with the financial donations we need to continue this mission: Year after Year. And you always do! It is miraculous to see this in action.

We currently have four (4) paid preschool teachers and two volunteer teachers. We also provide full-day childcare for babies in two (2) rooms. A couple of years ago, we had to cut back the number of teachers and were unable to help as many children. We are grateful for the increase in donations allowing us to increase our class numbers.

In 2024, we want to raise enough in donations to continue paying our current staff, AND our two (2) volunteer teachers. They love working with our organization and deserve to be paid for their commitment. Paying our teachers shows them respect for the diligent and hard work they do. Let us keep our teachers!

Do you realize the impact you make with your donation, volunteerism, and support? I believe you understand the importance of providing

quality early childhood education to break the cycle of poverty, and that is why you donate and/or volunteer with our mission. Studies show our graduates who enter primary school, and eventually secondary school, are performing as well as, or better than, their peers. THANK YOU FOR HELPING US FEEL CONFIDENT with your continued support. We will move forward with planning for the end of this school year and beginning a new one in August. We thank God for guidance and feel called to continue our Mission.

**Gratefully Yours,
Tammy Kjos
Board of Directors President
Centro Infantil de los Ángeles**

NARRATIVA DEL ADMINISTRADOR (EN ESPAÑOL)

Gracias al apoyo de diferentes donadores durante este año hemos logrado atender a 80 alumnas en clases regulares de preescolar. 40 niños y niñas en edad preescolar que acuden a regularización por las tardes, dando un total de 120.

Afortunadamente se logró mantener 2 salas de guardería dando servicio a 21 bebés desde 3 meses hasta 2 años y media.

Nuestras Estudiantes y Profesores:

2023 fue un año más en el que el Centro Infantil de los Ángeles brindó educación preescolar a niños de familias de muy bajos (\$200 USD mensuales o menos). El 60% de ellos vive en el antiguo Ejido de Tirado, que es el barrio con más problemas económicos y sociales de San Miguel, el 40% en las cercanías de la escuela.

En Julio de 2023, graduamos a 40 niños, los cuales continuarán con su educación en las escuelas mexicanas. Contamos con cuatro docentes titulares y 2 docentes apoyando clases en la tarde, cada uno con una Licenciatura en Educación Preescolar, además 2 maestros en educación infantil que atienden la guardería. La Directora, Patricia Palacios, es Licenciada en Educación Preescolar y Licenciada en

Administración de Empresas, quien cada día revisa que cada docente cuente con una planeación para impartir su clase y los fines de mes capacita a las maestras asegurando de que este actualizadas para impartir las clases.

Mantenemos una curricular ecléctica en donde se cumple con el programa de la SEG basado en proyectos y se implementan métodos de aprendizaje de otros cocientes pedagógicos.

Alimentación:

Contamos con una comida nutritiva para cada niño donado por Feed The Hungry, y el resto es con nuestros propios recursos, basándonos en un régimen alimenticio de acuerdo con las edades de nuestros niños.

Actividades Extracurriculares:

Contamos con voluntarios que nos brindan apoyo en las clases regulares y se aprovechan sus habilidades para implementar diversas actividades que incluían clases de inglés; visitas a los bomberos y al Museo Allende, el Desfile Anual de Primavera al Parque Ignacio Allende, el Día del niño celebrado con actividades acuáticas en la escuela, y otros. Además, los niños participaron en eventos con los padres, incluida la Pastorela Navideña, la Celebración del Día de la Madre y la Graduación

Apoyos con otras asociaciones: Se gestionan apoyos para atención medica con Patronato Pro-Niños, así como apoyo psicológico con el DIF en instancias que atiendan el área socioemocional de algunas de nuestros niños. EL CAISES nos nombró Escuela libre de caries gracias a la atención que le dieron a nuestros alumnos durante este año.

NARRATIVE OF THE ADMINISTRATOR (IN ENGLISH)

Thanks to the support of different donors this year we have managed to serve eighty students in regular preschool classes. An additional 40 preschool students attend regularly in the afternoons: for a total of 120.

Fortunately, it was possible to maintain two (2) nursery rooms in the daycare serving 21 babies from 3 months to 2 1/2 years.

Our Students and Teachers:

2023 was another year in which Centro Infantil de los Angeles provided preschool education to children from very low-income families (\$200 USD per month or less). 60% of them live in the old Ejido de Tirado, which is the neighborhood with the most economic and social problems in San Miguel. 40% live in the vicinity of the school.

In July 2023, we graduated 40 boys and girls who will continue their education in Mexican public schools. We have four (4) regular teachers and two (2) teachers supporting classes in the afternoon; each with a bachelor's degree in Preschool Education. Additionally, we have two (2) early childhood education teachers who attend the daycare. The Administrator, Patricia Palacios, has a degree in Preschool Education, and a degree in Business Administration, who everyday checks that each teacher has a lesson plan to teach their class, and at the end of the month she coaches the teachers making sure they are updated to teach the classes.

We maintain an eclectic curriculum where the SEG project-based program is complied with and learning methods from other pedagogical currents are implemented.

Feeding:

We have a nutritional meal for each child donated by Feed the Hungry, and the rest is with our own resources. The meals are based on a dietary regimen according to the ages of the children.

Extracurricular Activities:

We have volunteers who provide us with support in regular classes, and we use these skills to implement various activities including English classes, visits to the firefighters, visits to the Allende Museum, the Annual Spring Parade, and trips to Ignacio Allende Park. Children's Day

is celebrated with water activities at school and other locations. Additionally, children participate in events with their parents, including the Christmas Pastorela, Mother’s Day Celebration, and Graduation.

Support from other organizations: Support for medical care is managed with Patronato Pro Niños, as well as psychological support with the DIF and entities that care for the socio-emotional needs of some of the children. CAISES named Centro Infantil de los Angeles as a Cavity-free school, thanks to the attention they gave to our students this year.

**Patricia Palacios
Administrator and Director of Centro Infantil de los Ángeles**

**CILA’S INCOME-EXPENSE REPORT
2023**

CILA’s income in U.S. dollars was \$90,047.69. The sources of this income and their respective amounts and relative shares are reported below.

INCOME

Concept	\$	%
Transfers from the Schwab Account	\$62,997.40	70
Donations from the Parents	\$9,467.65	11
Donations from Businesses and Private Individuals	\$4,714.80	5
Rent	\$12,705.88	14
Earnings on Deposits at CIBANCO	\$161.96	0
Total	\$90,047.69	100

CILA’s expenses in U.S. dollars totaled \$130.586.66. The sources of these expenses and their corresponding amounts and relative shares are reported in the table below.

EXPENSES

Concept	\$	%
Payroll	\$106,386.51	81.4
Food	\$6,741.77	5.16
Accounting	\$3,999.55	3
Gasoline	\$3,705.88	2.84
Office Supplies	\$2,065.79	1.6
Freights & Hauling	\$1,624.37	1.25
State Taxes	\$1,392.18	1
Utilities	\$1,283.06	1
Others	\$3,387.55	2.75
Total	\$130,586.66	100

PAYROLL EXPENSES

Concept	\$	%
Salaries	\$59,161.55	55.60
Assigned Wages	\$33,610.40	31.60
Social Security	\$13,614.56	12.80
Total	\$106,386.51	100

In 2023, as the tables above indicate, expenses exceeded income by \$40,538.96. This deficit was financed with transfers from the Schwab fund that were completed at the end of 2022. This financing combined with the fact that in 2023, 70% of CILA's income came from the Schwab fund, indicates that without the donations received by this fund, CILA would not be able to operate.

WITH GRATITUDE

The work we do provides an important life-shaping education to children from the poorest families in San Miguel de Allende. This would not be possible without the support of our loyal and generous donors. Your contributions - current and future - are important, meaningful, and deeply appreciated.

2024 AND BEYOND

For over 22 years, during both prosperous and difficult times, Centro Infantil de los Angeles has remained steadfast in its Mission: We strive to be a beacon of hope and opportunity for our community: One Child at A Time.

Looking forward, our Board has established the following overall Goal: To approximately double the number of infants/children served over the next five (5) years. Here are just some of the ways we plan to achieve this:

- 1. Increase our Board of Directors (currently 4) to 8 members principally by adding full or part-time residents of San Miguel who share our Mission. Having “Boots on the Ground” in San Miguel is critical to our Mission.**
- 2. Increase our donor base across the economic spectrum; from smaller, monthly donors to larger individual and institutional donors.**
- 3. Increase our volunteer base which comes from all over the World, both in terms of individuals and groups; and**
- 4. Improve the attractiveness of the Volunteer House (El Hogar) through enhanced, ongoing upkeep and maintenance.**

All this is possible by working together and sharing the Mission of Centro Infantil de los Angeles with YOU: Our Donors, Volunteers, and Supporters. Again: Thank You and God Bless You!!

THANK YOU!



¡GRACIAS!