



ANNUAL PROGRESS REPORT
2014-2015



RESCUE RESTORE EQUIP



Tina & Denver Penner
Founders and members of the Board of Directors

WE HAVE A DREAM OF CHILDREN GROWING UP WITH VISION AND DIRECTION IN THEIR LIFE. THAT THEY INVEST THEIR LIFE INSTEAD OF SPENDING IT. WE DREAM THAT THEY'LL HAVE A LIFE SURROUNDED BY LOVE.

Dear reader,

Vida 180 was born out of a passion to rescue, restore and rebuild shattered families and abandoned children. The dream that God planted in our hearts was much larger than only to provide a place to live and food for children to survive. Our dream was for children to grow up with vision and direction for their lives. That they invest their life instead of spending it. Our dream was for them to have a life surrounded by love. When we started we didn't know where the funds, the employees and volunteers would come from. We didn't know where and how we would find and rescue the children who needed our help. But based on a simple promise in the word of God that says; "And my God shall supply all your needs according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus" we went ahead and started **Vida 180**.

It has been a wonderful experience to see how God brings together people of different origins. Employees, volunteers, staff, farmers and entrepreneurs that have a passion to rescue, restore and rebuild the lives of the most vulnerable in our state.

In the last year we have rescued many children from difficult situations and a number of them have been restored back to their families. Some continue in difficult situations and others are happily restored. Although these children are not in our care anymore, we continue calling them our sons and daughters and we rely on God's promise; "I will pour my Spirit on your sons and daughters." We keep reminding God that the kids who have been re-integrated, as well as the ones with us at **Vida 180** are our sons and daughters and this promise applies to each one of them.

We are anxious to see what God has in store for 2016! We have ambitious plans, like building a barn to teach responsibility, start a school for better education, and we also have plans to start a program where we can rescue, restore, and equip vulnerable women. It is exciting to be part of this great work of God here in our state. What a joy to see the impact that the **Vida 180** family has been, and will be for our state when people get together and touch our state with the love of God. This really is the war against violence and corruption that dominates our state.

Thank you for being part of this work!

Denver Penner
Founder and Chairman of the Board

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Members of the Board of Directors



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Members of the Board of Directors



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Members of the Advisory Council



Randy & Judy Sonchen
Members of the Advisory Council

Vida 180 is an organization where entrepreneurs, farmers, volunteers and employees come together, to change lives. With vision, with investment, with direction and with love, we will impact our state one life at a time. God did this for us and we are bringing this to the next generation.

MISSION

Positively impact the future of Chihuahua by growing a generation of leaders.

VISION

Rescue, restore and equip the most vulnerable in our state.

VALUES

Christ	Vision	Excellence	Worship
Love	Word	Justice	Unity
Character	Faith	Community	Generosity

GENERAL PURPOSE

Provide a place of life for those in a vulnerable state in Chihuahua where they can grow and develop, pursuing excellence in social life, academic and in practice, promoting integrity in conduct and moral values. So that everyone grows into a responsible, compassionate and productive citizen.



Opening Ceremony of **Vida 180** Santa Lucia.

TEAM

Board of Directors

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Advisory Council

Enrique Bremer
Randy Sonchen

Direction at Santa Lucia

Raul & Lorena Espino

Accounting

Francisca Terrazas

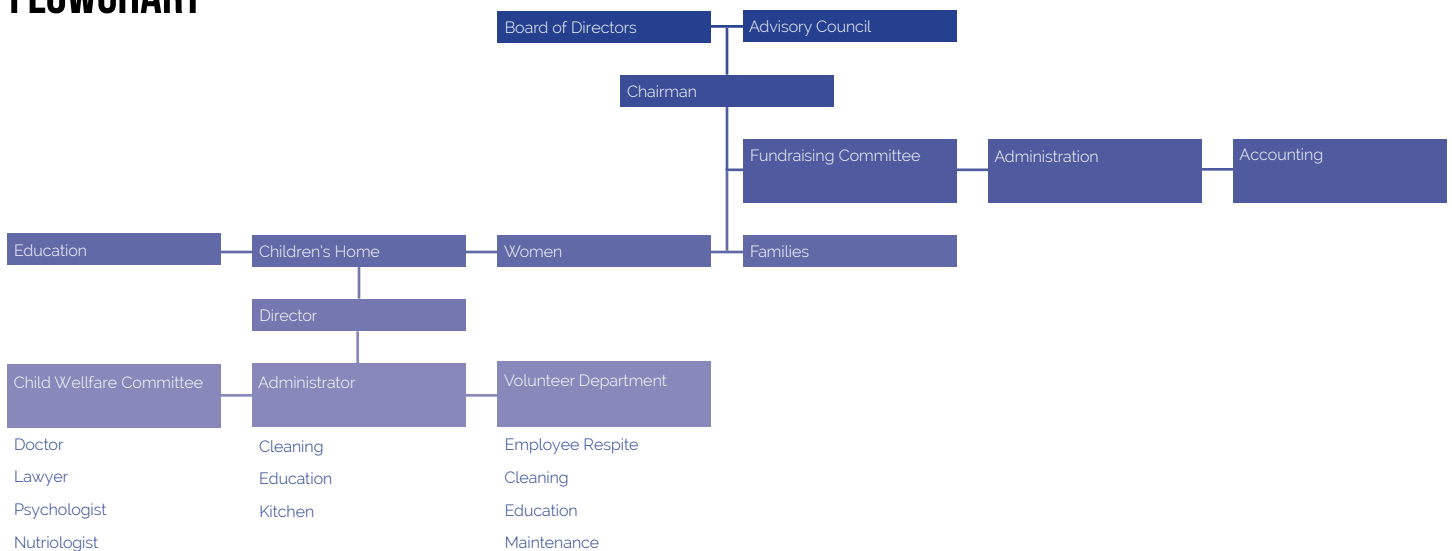
Administration

Yolanda Banman

Employees

Claudia Dominguez
Ana Miramontes
M. Carmen Tapia

FLOWCHART





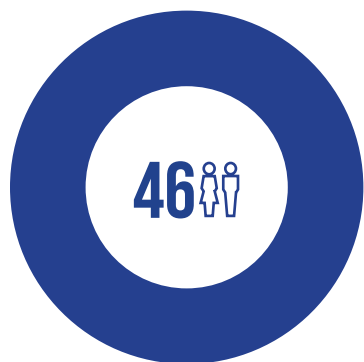
THE STATE ATTORNEY GENERAL AND THE DIF (FAMILY SERVICES) ESTIMATES SHOW 8,318 ORPHANS UNDER THE AGE OF 18 IN THE STATE OF CHIHUAHUA AS A RESULT OF THE DRUG VIOLENCE.¹

An additional 10,000 children regularly show up at children's shelters or public soup kitchens. Most of these live without adult care in the cities. The State Government provides shelter only up to the age of 15 years old, which is still a critical age for physical, intellectual and moral development.



¹Díaz López, Lourdes. "Calculan que hay más de 8 mil huérfanos a causa del crimen". El Diario de Chihuahua. April, 26, 2015. Web.

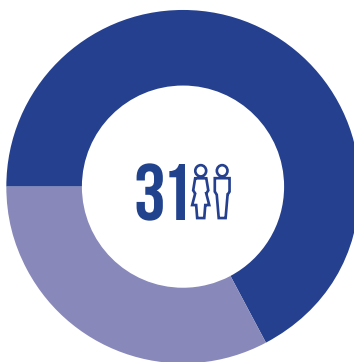
BENEFICIARIES



46 children were rescued and served by the **Vida 180** team

Guadalupe

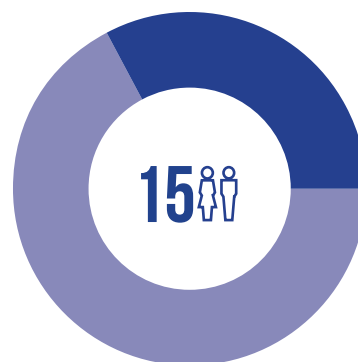
We found Guadalupe through a civil complaint. Her mother committed suicide in a jail cell and her dad left her mom before she was born. She lived with an aunt, her mother's sister, where she suffered physical violence, malnutrition and abuse by her aunt's boyfriend. Guadalupe's life changed drastically when she joined the **Vida 180** family in Santa Lucia. At first her trauma prevented her from even looking at herself in the mirror. She didn't have a smile on her face and always seemed sad. She felt unsafe and did not integrate with other children. Today she is happy and confident.



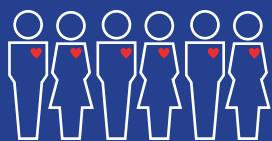
31 children are currently part of the family of **Vida 180** in Santa Lucia

Daniel

Little Daniel was abandoned by his mother and ended up living with an acquaintance. A related couple to the acquaintance disapproved that she was taking care of Daniel. The conditions for Daniel did not give him an opportunity to become someone in life. **Vida 180** Santa Lucia is now Daniel's family, where he learned to live with others, to respect, and to be responsible for his education.



15 children have been returned to existing families or relatives.



15
VOLUNTEERS

15 volunteers supported **Vida 180** with their time and skills in 2015



760
HORAS DONADAS

760 hours were donated by local, national and international volunteers

The volunteer department invests precious hours into **Vida 180**. Groups of volunteer and individuals have provided valuable assistance in the construction of rooms, yard and installation of irrigation system for the garden. Pre-qualified volunteers regularly contribute to the Vida 180 family at Santa Lucia to provide the employees with respite. They also assist with the children's homework, building maintenance, cleaning, and the planning of special events.

2015 FOCUS

In 2015 our focus was on the Santa Lucia Project. **Vida 180** – Santa Lucia is a home where we accept children between the ages 1-13. These children are rescued off the street or from dangerous family situations. Our objectives are: to rescue the child first and then restore physical and mentally. In several cases we have been able to work with and restore the biological family. However, in over 50% of our cases this is not possible so we focus on restoring and integrating the child into the **Vida 180** family

In Santa Lucia the children grow up in an environment of love: a family that accepts them at whatever level they are at and helps them grow and develop from there. Therefore, we place a lot of emphasis on making sure that we have highly qualified people. Children need mentors and models. Our group of volunteers need to be worthy people that are aligned with our philosophy and our objectives. They need to be positive examples in families, in self-discipline, values and in faith. We are grateful to God for the wonderful people that have come forward who willingly invest time, energy and resources into our kids. Some volunteers help out during weekends, others assist with tasks such as, cleaning and maintenance of facilities, etc...

The new building was inaugurated on May 28, 2015. The facility has been built to provide comprehensive care for 25 girls and 25 boys. Currently we have 13 boys and 17 girls part of the Vida 180 family in Santa Lucia.

One of our goals is to provide education and training allowing children and young people to achieve a career and become productive leaders in our society. One of our goals for 2016 is to complete several classrooms on the second floor of the Santa Lucia home, where we will provide the children with additional education. Our goal for the children is that they grow up to be compassionate and productive citizens, therefore it is very important to teach responsibility at an early age. To encourage the development of responsibilities, we plan to build a small farm where each child can learn the responsibilities in taking care of an animal.

In Santa Lucia we evaluate the physical, mental, spiritual and moral development of the children in a consistent manner. We are committed to providing a balanced life and provide direction for their lives.





Playground at the home in Santa Lucia.

PROJECT SANTA LUCÍA



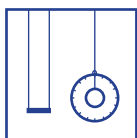
We completed the construction of a new building and celebrated the inauguration.



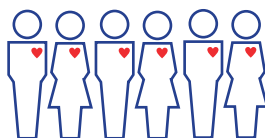
We hired and trained a wonderful team to care for and assist in the development of the children.

46 

46 children were rescued and taken care of by the **Vida 180** team.



We completed the park and playground area.



We found a group of volunteers committed to the vision and the children.

31 

Currently 31 children are part of the **Vida 180** family at Santa Lucia.

Vida 180 Santa Lucia is a home in the village of Santa Lucia which rescues and restores children. The new home was opened in May of 2015 and has room for 50 beneficiaries: 25 girls and 25 boys. At Santa Lucia our focus is to rescue and restore the child, always looking out for the physical, mental, moral and spiritual wellbeing of each child. Our goal is to restore each child to their biological family but in more than half of our cases this is not possible. When this is not a viable option we seek to work with the mom of the child/children to prepare them for our Las Alamedas program where we work with and hire the mom to take care of her own children. We believe it's God's plan that every child should grow up in a home and not in an institution. If we are unable to integrate them back with biological family in any way then they are eligible for our Calle Central project where we plan to place children in a home with a mom and dad and 7 other siblings.



Raul & Lorena Espino, Directors of **Vida 180** Santa Lucia, with some children.

PROJECT LAS ALAMEDAS

1,680 M²

16 - 105 m² lots were generously donated to **Vida 180** for the construction of 15 family houses and a training hall.

PROJECT CALLE CENTRAL

30,000 M²

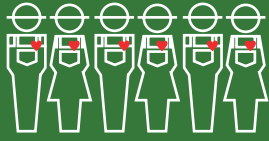
We have 3 hectares of land getting ready for this project, which are intended for the construction of houses and a school.



Living Facilities **Vida 180** Santa Lucia

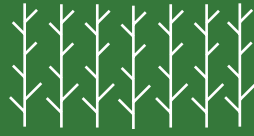


Volunteer helping children with their homework



43
FARMERS

43 farmers supported **Vida 180** sowing and harvesting a portion of their crops.



92
HECTARES

92 hectares of different crops were donated by local farmers



**SEEDS OF
SOCIAL WELFARE**

The cultivation of corn, beans, cotton and wheat will harvest social welfare.

AGRI180 PROJECT

We believe that the best way to revolutionize a community for good is when each individual brings their talents, skills and abilities. Economically, Agriculture is the most important activity in the municipality of Cuauhtémoc. It is also the main source of income for the cost of operation in **Vida 180**. We have a group of investors called Agri 180 who do joint ventures with local farmers. Agri 180 provides the seed and fertilizer to the farmer and the farmer plants, tends and harvests the grain for the good of the community and an investment in eternity. This is a wonderful opportunity for local producers of corn, beans, cotton and wheat to positively impact the future of the State of Chihuahua and in heaven.



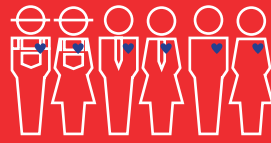
Corn donated to **Vida 180**.



Beans donated to **Vida 180**.



Oats donated to **Vida 180**.



**TAKE COURAGE FARMERS, ENTREPRENEURS AND VOLUNTEERS!
GOD HAS GIVEN US A BIG JOB TO DO. THE PROFITS WILL LAST FOR ALL
ETERNITY!**

"So take a new grip with your tired hands and strengthen your weak knees.
Mark out a straight path for your feet so that those who are weak and lame will not fall
but become strong."
Hebrews 12:12

2016 GOALS

- ▶ Make sure that all of the 50 beds are occupied with a child who really needs it.
- ▶ Build a farm to house chickens, sheep, and cows.
- ▶ Build a garden to grow vegetables. This will help us in education, and in providing quality food for the children.
- ▶ Build additional classrooms for the education program. In the future they will serve as our own registered school.
- ▶ Build several houses to rescue vulnerable women.



Claudia and children in daily chores



Celebration of Children's Day



Fun with the Penner family horses.



Friendships at **Vida 180 Santa Lucia**

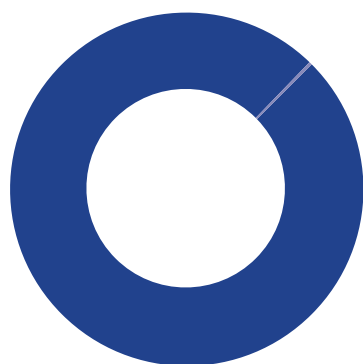


Ana makes sure the whole **Vida 180** family has a balanced diet.



Children have fun with the volunteers after the construction of the playground and park.

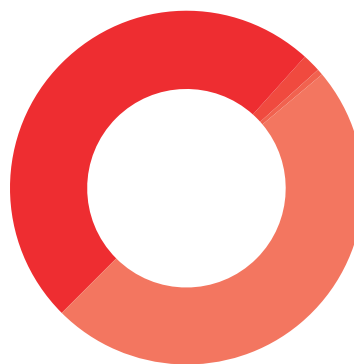
FINANCIAL SUMMARY



Revenue 2014

- Private donations:
671,022.69
- Other revenue:
1,862.14

Total: 672,884.83



Expenditures 2014

- Operating costs:
: 288,393.83
- Administration costs:
: 9,776.21
- Financial costs:
3,201.10
- Fixed assets:
282,461.67

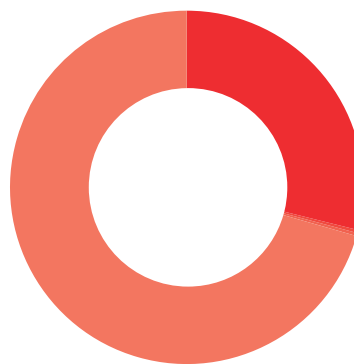
Total: 583,832.81



Revenue January-October 2015

- Private donations:
1,690,166.04
- Foundation donations:
811,080.50
- Other revenue:
1,990.82

Total: 2,503,237.36



Expenditures January-October 2015

- Operating costs:
833,342.10
- Administration costs:
7,236.70
- Financial costs:
8,761.83
- Fixed assets:
2,009,822.47

Total: 2,859,163.10

All values are in Mexican Pesos

VISION INVESTMENT DIRECTION LOVE 180°

THANKS FOR BEING PART OF VIDA 180!

We are very grateful for all the donors who gave their valuable support in the construction of the Santa Lucia Home, in the purchase of furniture, vehicles and articles for the kitchen. Among them are FECHAC, TGNN, TransCanada, AIMAP and several businessmen. We also want to thank the Mennonite farmers whose generosity provides us with funds for the operation. Thank you for selflessly investing in the most vulnerable of our State!

GOD loves Chihuahua and GOD will bless you!

Contact us if you are interested in joining **Vida180** with your talent, finances or time.

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