CLUB ESPERANZA

An Educational Center of Open Hearts

Club Cristiano la Esperanza serves children from Barrio Villa Guadalupe providing pre-kindergarten and kindergarten classes as well as tutoring for elementary school students. Older students receive scholarships to attend high school and participate in a youth group. The Club offers extracurricular activities including a lacrosse team, that plays in a local league, music, art, dance and English.

Accomplishments of the Club in 2015 include the following:

- 110 children attended pre-kindergarten and kindergarten classes.
- 150 students participated in the tutoring program.
- 270 children and youth received two nutritious meals every school day.
- 25 students received scholarships to high school and participated in the youth group.



CLINICA PROVIDENCIA

A Clinic of Hope Nicaragua

The clinic operates immediately adjacent to Barrio Jorge Dimitrov, one of the roughest barrios in Managua. It is an area plagued by drugs and gang violence. The clinic provides services in the areas of general medicine, pediatrics, obstetrics/gynecology, dentistry, and optometry. There is also a clinical laboratory. Some of the special programs offered by the clinic include women's screening for cervical cancer (in Nicaragua, cervical cancer is the leading cause of death of women between the ages of 30 and 60) and annual physicals for children.

Accomplishments in 2015 include the following:

- There were 6,000 patient visits.
- The 6,000 visits included 1,120 children.
- There were 850 dental patients.

COLEGIO CRISTIANO PRESBITERIANO

A School of the Mission of the Presbyterian Church of South Korea in Nicaragua

Colegio Cristiano Presbiteriano provided pre-kindergarten through 9th grade classes for a total of 270 students in in 2015. The students come from Barrio Hialeah, a neighborhood of families with very low incomes. The school offers a better education than that provided by the Nicaraguan public schools and does so in a Christian setting.

Accomplishments of the school in 2015 include the following:

- Added the 9th grade curriculum.
- Added computer classes
- Offered the AWANA program to children and youth in grades 2 through 7.
- Offered music lessons on electronic pianos.
- Distributed 170 pairs of free reading glasses to neighborhood residents over 40 years of age.





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FUNDACION ORTIZ GURDIAN CLINIC

A Clinic of the Ortiz Gurdian Foundation

The Fundacion Ortiz Gurdian Clinic provides screening for, and treatment of, breast and cervical cancer for women of limited financial means. In addition to medical services, the clinic provides a support group and professional counseling to women undergoing treatment. All of these services are provided free of charge. The foundation also maintains a vigorous educational campaign emphasizing the importance of screening and early detection. Women who have benefited from the services of the clinic are encouraged to become promotoras (health promoters) and to encourage friends, family, and neighbors to be screened.

Accomplishments of the clinic in 2015 include the following:

- Continued care of women diagnosed with cancer in previous years.
- An additional 753 women were screened for breast and cervical cancer
- 40 women were diagnosed with and treated for breast cancer.
- 10 women were treated for precancerous or cancerous lesions of the cervix.



VILLA ESPERANZA

A Mission of Forward Edge International



Villa Esperanza provided a residential facility for 25 at-risk girls from the Barrio Villa Guadalupe. Spiritual, emotional, and physical support was provided to girls who would otherwise be subject to a life of poverty, physical and/or sexual abuse, and neglect. The girls' needs with respect to medical care, psychological care, spiritual care, and education are addressed. The girls continue to maintain contact with their families, and the Villa Esperanza staff also works with their families to provide a holistic program.

Accomplishments of Villa Esperanza in 2015 include the following:

- Twins Martha and Mayerling, who could neither read nor write when they came to Villa Esperanza at age 11, were on the school honor roll in 2015.
- All girls completed the school year successfully and moved to the next grade level.
- Five of the older girls live in a transition home on site. These girls are responsible for managing their meals, cleaning, schedules and responsibilities without the help of a house mother. All five are pursuing careers.

Three are studying at a university, one is in beauty school, and the fifth is enrolled in the National School of Ballet.



CLINICA MEDICA

A Program of Manna Project International

The predecessors of this clinic were Casa Base de Salud, which served the community that lived in La Chureca (the Managua Municipal Dump) until 2013; and Villa Guadalupe Clinic, which—beginning in 2013-- served the relocated residents of La Chureca and families displaced by the flooding of Lake Managua in 2012. Villa Guadalupe Clinic was located in a small duplex in the Barrio Villa Guadalupe. In November 2014 the clinic moved into a larger leased house in the Barrio Villa Guadalupe and became Clinica Medica Manna Project International.

The clinic provides general medical care and obstetrics/gynecological services to the impoverished residents of Villa Guadalupe. There is a feeding program for young children and pregnant women.

Accomplishments of the clinic in 2015 include the following:

- Enrolled 1200 new patients.
- Provided an average of 20 consultations per day.
- Distributed 89 pairs of free reading glasses to neighborhood residents over 40 years of age.

There are plans to further expand the clinic. Manna Project International has located a suitable property in Barrio Villa Guadalupe and is working to secure a title.



