

Launching a New Child Development Center in Nicaragua

AN UPDATE ON YOUR GIFT

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Ministry Progress at Iglesia Fuente de Vida Eterna Asambleas de Iglesias Cristianas (AIC) en Siuna



At Fé y Acción Child Development Center, the physical well-being of children is addressed through various activities. Here, a fun relay race gives children an opportunity to burn excess energy, build physical strength and learn social skills.

Cover Photo: Siuna's 85% unemployment rate means many local children go hungry every day. The center provides supplemental food and health care to help them thrive.

Center



Location

Siuna, Autonoma Atlantico Norte, Nicaragua



Population 12,000



Anticipated Activity Days

Children will attend the center approximately 6-8 hours a week, spread across 3 days.

Milestones



Program Started: May 2023



160 children registered



Staff hired and trained



Supplies and equipment purchased

Launch Priorities



Improve children's nutrition, health and hygiene



Enroll and retain children in school



Share the gospel

An Update From Compassion's Local Partnership Facilitator

Dear Friends,

Receive our greetings and blessings. I want to thank you for the investment you made in Fé y Acción (Faith and Action) Child Development Center at Iglesia Fuente de Vida Eterna AIC (Source of Eternal Life Church AIC) in Siuna. This program has registered 160 children to free them from poverty in Jesus' name. The congregation expresses its deep gratitude for the blessing of having received this support for the children's benefit.

The first step in launching the center began with multiple visits and conversations with the pastor and church leadership, who lacked the proper resources for caring for children, such as adequate bathrooms and meeting rooms, classes in good condition, and other essentials for the children's daily care.

Your gift equipped the center and created good conditions for the children's care. Through your support, the church purchased chairs for the children, improved classrooms, built two new classrooms, and stocked a well-equipped industrial kitchen. The program office received the necessary tools to administer the program well and meet its goals. Some of the specific items purchased include teaching materials, equipment for medical checkups, toys, kitchen appliances for food preparation, and utensils, glasses, cups, spoons and dishes.

Your support has greatly improved the children's learning environment. Now they will have a good diet, chairs to sit on, lesson materials, and many other things the church could not have acquired in a timely manner without your help.

We pray that God blesses you mightily for all your support, that your work is successful, and that your family is always blessed.

Sincerely in Christ,

Melania Partnership Facilitator

Letter edited for clarity.



Families in the rural area surrounding Siuna rely on subsistence farming, fishing and day labor to eke out a meager living. Malnutrition, dengue, and viral and skin diseases are common. Thanks to your support, Fé y Acción Child Development Center is providing 160 children with holistic care.

Compassion's Partnership Facilitators manage relationships with local churches, helping them build capacity, mobilize resources and strengthen ownership of the ministry.

Your Partnership Makes a Difference in the Lives of Children in Nicaragua



Spiritual activities at the center include praise and worship, testimonies, short sermons, prayer, and memory verse practice. Here, parents and caregivers watch and listen as children present the new praise-song motions and lyrics they've been learning.

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Staff Members Foster Healthy Child Development



Pastor Enrique (right) acts as church and program liaison and leader at Fé y Acción Child Development Center.



Judith, the program secretary, provides administrative support.



Accountant Yadira ensures funds are properly credited and applied to support the center.



Center Director Kenia ensures that the program's holistic goals are met.



Younger children color pages in a class activity that builds fine motor skills, creativty and confidence.



Your Gift Matters

Christian Brothers Moving, because of your gracious support, the new church partner in Nicaragua is full of joy for its Fé y Acción Child Development Center that will ultimately benefit so many eager children. Your heart for those in need gives hope to children, families, center staff members and communities. Thank you for your generosity and may God bless you!

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