

ANNUAL REPORT 2021

PROVIDING HEALTH, HEALING, AND EDUCATION
WITH THE PEOPLE OF GUATEMALA



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LETTER FROM THE LEADERS

THE REOPENING OF COMMUNITIES IN GUATEMALA DURING 2021 PROVIDED AN IMPORTANT OPPORTUNITY TO STRENGTHEN OUR PARTNERSHIPS. WE ACTIVELY LISTENED AND LEARNED TO DEEPEN OUR UNDERSTANDING OF THEIR CHALLENGES SO WE COULD BE A MORE EFFECTIVE PARTNER IN MEETING THEIR NEEDS.

IN 2022, PROJECT SALUD Y PAZ CONTINUES TO ADAPT AND RESPOND. AS INTERNATIONAL BORDERS OPEN, WE ARE FOCUSING ON STRENGTHENING OUR GLOBAL PARTNERSHIPS, GROWING OUR VOLUNTEER PROGRAMS AND REENGAGING WITH INTERNATIONAL MEDICAL, DENTAL, OPTICAL, AND CONSTRUCTION MISSION TEAMS. WE ARE CONTINUING TO INVEST IN OUR LOCAL PARTNERSHIPS, ADAPTING OUR PROGRAMS AND SERVICES TO MEET THE EVOLVING NEEDS OF OUR COMMUNITIES.

WE CANNOT DO THIS WITHOUT YOUR STEADFAST SUPPORT. WE DEPEND TO A GREAT EXTENT ON THE GENEROSITY OF OUR DONORS TO CONTINUE THIS IMPORTANT WORK. WE ARE HONORED BY YOUR PARTNERSHIP AND YOUR CONFIDENCE IN OUR WORK.

WE ARE DELIGHTED TO SHARE WITH YOU THE IMPACT OF YOUR PHILANTHROPIC CONTRIBUTIONS IN THIS REPORT.

LAURA SHEARER
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR,
PROJECT SALUD Y PAZ

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2021 IMPACT IN HEALTH AND EDUCATION AT PROJECT SALUD Y PAZ

We developed and implemented a brand-new teaching plan, incorporating reduced, rotating classes combined with distance learning, adapting our method constantly in response to the highly evolving pandemic context. We hired additional staff, invested in new furniture, and deployed appropriate technologies for families challenged with low levels of literacy and limited exposure to devices. We continued to provide mobile internet access, take-home kits of school supplies and care packages.

We identified students who could benefit from a specialist assessment to determine ways we could support their learning beyond the classroom. In this new initiative, we engaged a child psychologist to run a series of sessions with the students and their families. Based on this evaluation and subsequent recommendations, we supported these students and their families with a combination of therapy, early stimulation and referrals to specialist services. Together with the psychologist, we developed a vacation school curriculum—specifically targeted to the students who participated in the program—with the objective to promote learning about emotions, creating safe spaces and using senses for self-expression.

- **In 2021, 53 preprimary students advanced their education in preschool, kindergarten, or first-grade class**
- **15 of those young students became proficient in writing, reading and basic mathematical concepts and operations, graduating to the second grade at the local public school**
- **8 students were provided specialist evaluation and intervention to lower barriers to educational access and attainment for high-risk children**
- **52 students received a medical and nutritional screening and vitamin supplementation throughout the year**
- **107 antiparasitic treatments were given to students in partnership with the local public health post**

Thank you, Gracias, Maltiox for all the ways you help health, healing, and education become a reality in Guatemala!



2021 IMPACT IN HEALTH AND EDUCATION AT PROJECT SALUD Y PAZ

We evolved our operations to ensure sustainability of essential healthcare services for vulnerable populations throughout the waves of the pandemic. We improved health equity for disadvantaged groups and continued to serve each of our partner communities throughout the year, ensuring that all of our patients received critically needed medicines, labs, education and follow-up. We developed new protocols, improved our facilities and trained our team with the view to ensure the safest possible environment for patients and staff.

We leveraged our reputation as a trusted health provider to promote Covid-19 vaccine education and access. We collaborated with other agencies to create public service announcements in different Mayan languages, our staff went house-to-house to talk about vaccination to families, we provided one-on-one education in the clinic, and we added informational videos to our waiting area. In partnership with the local public health post, we hosted vaccine information sessions and clinics, opening our doors to school families, patients, youth and any members of the community who desired to learn more and receive their vaccine at the same time.

- In the western highlands, our Guatemalan doctors, dentists, nurses and staff saw 4,020 medical patients and 205 dental patients
- 3,628 laboratory tests were performed in our clinics
- 465 diabetic and hypertensive patients were provided monthly follow up, education, labs and medicines in our chronic illness management program
- Our clinical team ran 81 satellite clinics in rural communities to ensure our most vulnerable patients received continuity of care
- 293 patients were provided referrals assistance through our social work program
- 16 community members received Covid-19 vaccination in clinics hosted by Project Salud y Paz

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2021 IMPACT IN HEALTH AND EDUCATION AT PROJECT SALUD Y PAZ

We took advantage of the reopening of our school to strengthen our partnership with families. We implemented new initiatives to provide mothers of our students with opportunities to learn skills and contribute ideas to empower them to take control over their family's health and improve their family's income.

- **We prepared and delivered 505 care packages with food staples to school families**
- **Our nursing staff and social worker provided 3 classes in nutrition and monthly follow up to families of school children suffering from acute malnutrition**
- **16 mothers participated in our nutritional and medicinal plants program, 10 mothers participated in our soap-making program, and 10 mothers participated in our fertilizer-making program**

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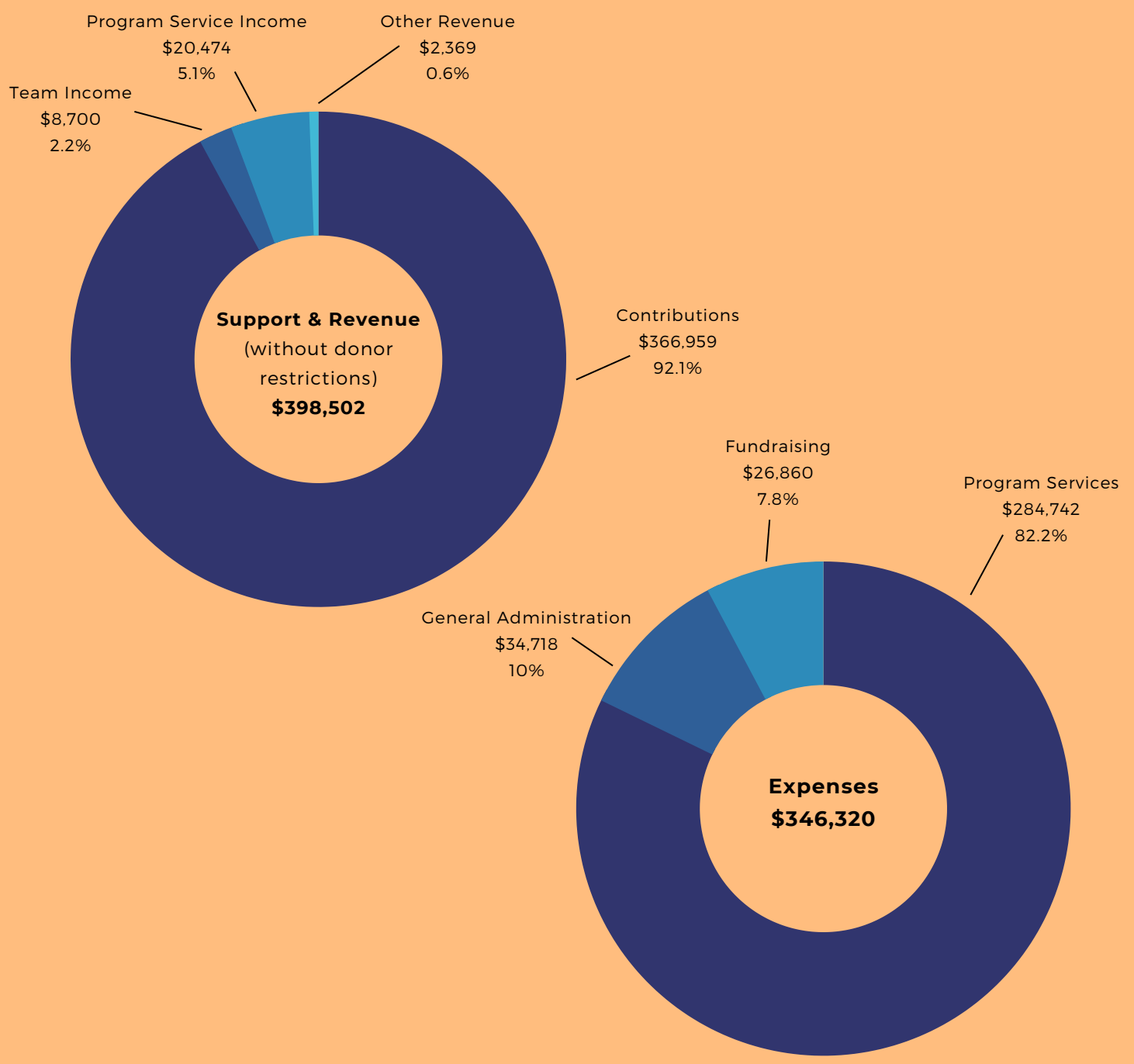


financials

January-December 2021

Statement of Support, Revenue, and Expenses - Modified Cash Basis

Extracted from financial statements as prepared and reviewed by JDS Professional Group
For the Year Ended December 31, 2021



Your financial gifts are the foundation for long-term sustainability of our mission to provide health, healing, and education with the people of Guatemala.



GET INVOLVED

HEALTH

Salud y Paz operates clinics from the far northern reaches of El Quiché to the western highlands of Sololá and Quetzaltenango. Our clinics are staffed by Guatemalan clinicians and have a pharmacy and a lab. Our consistent presence enables us to provide continuity of care to our many patients with diabetes and chronic illness.

EDUCATION

Our Colegio Susanna Wesley school educates and prepares indigenous Mayan children to enter and excel in the Spanish-speaking public school system.

Our program seeks to address the whole child through a focus on Language and Education, Nutrition and Hygiene, and Medical and Dental Care.

MISSION TEAMS

Mission teams allow us to do more than we are able to do on our own.

Medical, dental and surgical teams provide opportunity for people in rural villages to receive care they wouldn't otherwise be able to access or afford.

Construction Teams are a key part of our ministry of presence and focus on building relationships and infrastructure in the Mayan highlands.

Get Involved

Serve on a mission team

Sponsor a child

Join monthly giving

Follow us on social media

Host a fundraiser

Share why this mission is important to you and the people of Guatemala!

Learn more at
www.saludypaz.org

Why Guatemala?

Guatemala is a predominantly impoverished country that struggles in several areas of health and development.

The large indigenous population—who Salud y Paz primarily serves—is disproportionately affected.

Guatemala, while lacking in basic services, is incredibly rich in spirit and beauty.

Guatemala changes us!





THANK YOU. GRACIAS. MALTIOX.
FOR WALKING WITH US ON THIS
INCREDIBLE JOURNEY.

OUR VISION:
EMPOWERED COMMUNITIES WITH
SUSTAINED WELLNESS OF MIND,
BODY AND SPIRIT.

OUR MISSION:
PROMOTE INTEGRATED HEALTH,
HEALING, AND EDUCATION IN
GUATEMALA BY ENABLING ACCESS TO
HEALTH CARE SERVICES AND EARLY
CHILDHOOD EDUCATION WITH LOCAL
AND GLOBAL PARTNERSHIPS.

OUR VALUES:
WE ARE AN INCLUSIVE FAITH-BASED
ORGANIZATION WHICH WELCOMES,
RESPECTS, AND EMBRACES THE
PLURALITY OF FAITH TRADITIONS,
CUSTOMS, AND BELIEFS.

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