

# GET CLOSER

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## TO OUR HOMES

### DISCOVER NPH GUATEMALA

NPH's fifth home for orphaned, abandoned and at-risk children was established in rented facilities in 1996. The family moved to their new home, named Casa San Andres, which is situated 4,900 feet above sea level in Guatemala's highlands, in August 2003.

### NPH GUATEMALA FACTS

**Opened:** November 11, 1996

**Children:** 285

**Location:** In Parramos, 16 miles from Antigua and an hour northwest of Guatemala City, the capital

**Features:** 25 acres of land, dormitories, school (grades K-9), vocational workshops, clinic, farm and greenhouse

**OVER 200  
CHILDREN  
CALL NPH GUATEMALA HOME**



## COUNTRY FACTS

**Area:** 42,042 square miles – about the size of Tennessee

**Population:** 14,373,472 (July 2013 est.)

**Languages:** Spanish 60%, Amerindian languages 40% (there are more than 20 officially recognized Amerindian languages)

**Issues:** Devastation of 35 years of civil war; more than half the population lives below the poverty line



## DID YOU KNOW?

- The school year in Guatemala is January – October.
  - Over 200 children from low-income families in the local area attend the NPH school for free, or are attending other schools on scholarships paid for by NPH.
  - The school curriculum includes Spanish, social studies, natural sciences, English, arts and crafts, music and sports. After completing a year of service, *pequeños* may go to high school at a local facility.
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- There are six nationally certified vocational workshops: Baking, Cooking, Carpentry, Cosmetology, Metalwork, and Sewing.
  - Through the *Joven Jardinero* (“Young Gardener”) program, 120 children of all ages help cultivate the vegetables on the farm.
  - In 2013, 10 of the 12 students who graduated from high school were female. In addition, the home celebrated its first student to graduate from medical school.



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