## CHILDRENOF ECUADOR FOUNDATION

PRESENTATION OF ACTIVITIES







## A NEW DYNAMIC FOR THE FOUNDATION

These last two years, the Rosalía Cadrón Foundation for Social Assistance (RCFSA) saw a great expansion of positive energy! There were many organizational changes which allowed to coordinate different projects to best address the new needs of the women and children of Pascuales.

The objective of this guide is to facilitate the understanding of the mission and vision of the RCFSA.

In fact, we will present the different activities, in both the Child Development Center and the Rosalía Cadrón Women's Center.





The mission of the Foundation consists in helping single mothers, preserving their dignity and helping in the education of their children. Thus, various services have been offered to children since the assistance of the Child Development Center all the way up to university through a sponsorship program.

A branch of the Foundation was also founded in Montreal (the CEF) to collect the necessary funds to support the Foundation in Ecuador, who offer quality services to women and their children.

# SOME NUMBERS



### 240 000\$

Amount raised in 2017



100%

- of the funds are raised in Montreal sent to Ecuador 0

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the number of volunteers in Canada, Ecuador, and even all the way in France

### THE WOMEN'S CENTER AND ITS OBJECTIVES

The role of the Women's Center is to promote and help reassess the women's self-esteem. This in turn allows women to improve their quality of life. The Foundation has excellent locations and rooms where it runs its activities.

## THE ACTIVITIES IN THE ROSALIA WOMEN'S CENTER

### 1

Microcredit programs for manual labor (beauty, rag dolls, Christmas ornaments, and much more!)

### 2

Talks about values, human rights, medicine, maternity, types and causes of domestic violence...

### 3

Sewing: This activity will eventually become an economic activity: Many women partake in this program who want to learn how to sew and help the seamstress.







### 4

The clothing store in which used clothes are sold at low prices.

### 5

The project "legal advising" teaches women about their rights and the rights of their children.

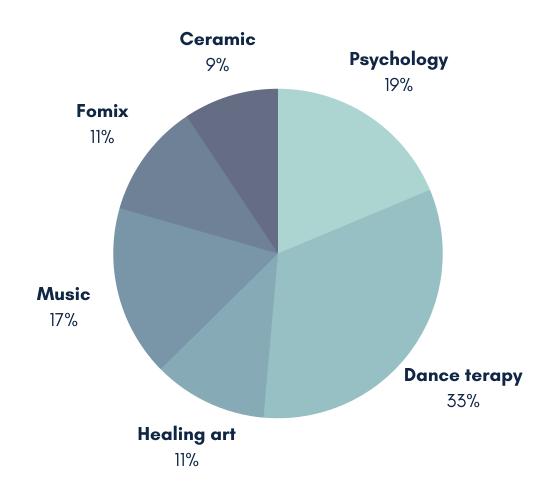
### 6

The dance lessons in which the women can have fun and share these moments together



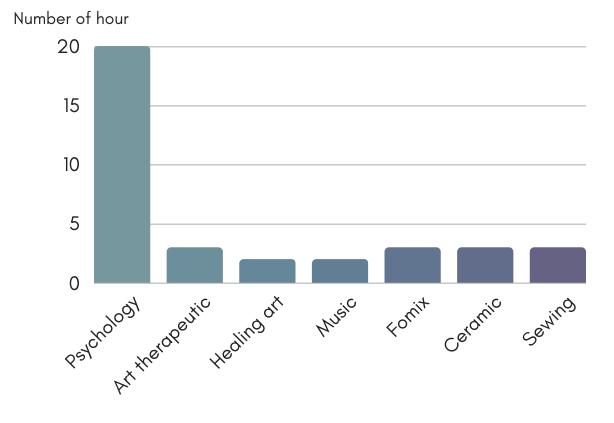
## ACTIVITIES

The percentage represents the number of women in the workshops



## LAS ACTIVIDADES

Number of hours / activities



## THE SERVICES OFFERED AT THE WOMEN'S CENTER

Pascuales is an urban parish of Guayaquil, where there is a high rate of mistreatment of women. For this reason, they face violence from a very young age.

- Offering a welcoming environment
- Offering workshops suited to the current needs (sewing, computer science...)
- Financially supporting the education of their children
- Psychological counseling
- Legal advice
- Medical checkups for their children

# «Education does not create the person, it helps him to create oneself »

- MAURICE DEBESSE -

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# PSYCHOLOGY Program

Since 2014, the beneficiaries of the two centers of the Foundation at Pascuales have access to a full-time psychologist. Her work consists of carrying out therapeutic consultations with members of the center for women, with the children who are part of the daycare program, and also the students who are recipients of the scholarship program.

Furthermore, her work consists in helping with issues such as violence, mistreatment, abuse and negligence that many children struggle with in Pascuales. "Pascuales is a place where there is lots of social,

economic, and psychological struggles. The women who take part in the services offered by the Foundation are almost always women who have suffered from violence and have low self-esteem."



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### WHAT ARE THE ACTIVITIES AND THE OBJECTIVES OF THE PSYCHOLOGY PROGRAM ?

One of the primary activities of the psychology program is to organize workshops with parents to raise their awareness about various subjects like education without violence, or healthy nutrition. Furthermore, the psychologist works with the educators of the daycare program so that they have the necessary tools to manage crisis situations with certain children.

The objectives of this program are to identify the cases and better understand the environment that these children live in. By doing this, we can support the parents and children connected to the Foundation who live in a context of violence and poverty.



# **CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER**

"THE MAGIC WORLD FOR CHJILDREN"

## SOME WORDS ABOUT THE CENTER

The center was built for single mothers looking to nurture their children intellectually, fiscally, and spiritually

The center allows us to support the women who work and don't have a place to leave their children, especially when they have low-income

The daycare center can accommodate up to 40 children ages 2 to 5. The center has been converted into a qualified educational center and is recognized in the community by the Ecuadorian government.



## THE OBJECTIVES OF THE CENTER

Create an environment conducive to the learning of the children, in order to guide them into the world of education holding in their hands the skills and knowledge needed for total integration

Help the mothers to better understand the different phases of development of their children

Help the children develop attitudes that will contribute to the growth and development of the child

Allow the child and their mother to value the role of the mother and also allow them to work or study





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## THE CHILDREN ARE THE FACES OF THE FOUNDATION

## **RUTINA DIARIA**



7:45 - 8:20 Arrival of the children 8:30 - 9:00 Greetings, songs 9:00 - 10:00 Educational activities 9:40 - 10:15 Wash . hands and snacks 10:15 - 10:45 Recess 10:45 - 11:45 Educational activities 11:45 - 12:30 Lunch 12:30 - 1:30 ASEO Corporal 1:00 - 1:30 Snack 1:30 - 3:30 Recess 3:30 - 4:00 End of the day



## STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

This is a program that consists in sponsoring a child through a donation or economic contribution that ensures the child's education from the Daycare center all the way to university studies.

One must make a donation, either monthly or yearly for a fixed amount that contributes to the child's studies from the time they are in the Daycare center through university.



### THE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM IN DETAIL

The student scholarship program exists since the year 2000 and more than 111 children benefit from the financial support of the Foundation. Although school is mandatory in Ecuador until 17–18 years old, 85% of students on average drop out of school between the ages of 15 and 18 years old.

By the way. The Foundation decided to increase the scholarship amounts starting in high school, which allows the kids to continue their education. Furthermore, the Foundation guarantees a link between the child and their sponsor, as every year the child agrees to provide to their sponsors a report card, a photo of themselves, and a handwritten letter.

Thanks to the program, there exists certain scholarship recipients who are now professionals in different areas such as medicine, dentistry, social work, and education among others. These people work in their profession and are now self-sufficient and benefit to society. The scholarship program paid for their studies all the way from the daycare center, all the way through to university.



## THE "SUPER SCHOLARSHIP" PROGRAM

The Foundation offers a "Super Scholarship" program to the highest-achieving students to finance their education. For the 2018–2019 academic year, the Foundation will offer super scholarships of \$600 USD through a selection process to three or four students in the following sectors:



The scholarship recipient will commit themselves to be a voluntary in an area related to their specialty. The criteria for receiving a super scholarship are: being a son or daughter of a single mother and also being a university student. Finally, they must send the following form completed before May 15, 2018.

## THE FANTASIA GROUP

This is a program for young kids in which they learn an activity that contributes to the development and love for the National arts. This program has existed for 10 years and the children take classes in guitar, xylophone, and singing.





In the year 2017, the Foundation organized an expedition to the Chimborazo mountain to collect funds and achieved its objective of \$50,000

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Thank you for your attention!

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