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Dear Friend(s)

of the Most Destitute in the Valencia Region within Latin America

It has been expressed on several occasions the respect and appreciation we feel for our WECANHELP facilitators, Raja Rachid, Elizabeth Ojeda, and Maria Angelica who are doing the tough “stuff” in the Valencia barrios. They bring life and give profound meaning for **each** dollar which has been contributed by our faithful and generous contingent of benefactors.

On June 23 of this year the following sentiments were shared with our three WECANHELP stalwarts:

- “Historically, sailing ships throughout the world have frequently been confronted with storms of great magnitude. Decisions needed to be reached by leadership on those vessels during those perilous situations -- either alter the courses and attempt to “hide” or navigate directly into the “eye” and locate the safe “sweet” spots.



Venezuela has turmoil of epidemic proportions. Those who are poorest citizens continue to suffer almost beyond imagination. The cries for help emanating from valid solicitations involving these most vulnerable have never been greater. Every request has been properly vetted. It is remarkable that somehow together we are still able to partially or completely satisfy almost all of the valid petitions”.

- In the late 1980’s when WECANHELP was quietly conceived, we were able to inject \$600.00 per month into our projects. Those early actions enabled lives to become more comfortable. **Now in contrast, we have traversed far beyond and are completely or partially eradicating far more egregious circumstances.**

During the current allotment cycles we are infusing \$6,000.00 per month into a broad spectrum of specific aid endeavors and an additional \$6,000 - \$7,000.00 per year for 3-4 complex surgeries and/or heavy medical treatments. By increasing our monthly allotments there is some intrinsic risk since a few of our contribution sources have ebbed. Marathon runners call it “hitting the wall” when internal resiliency levels are in question. Similarly some of WECANHELP’s extended “race” results might be in question when in truth, fiscal resources affect the levels of our operational comfort zones. Yet these few internal confidence lapses are **buoyed** by examining within this current appraisal document the **amazing depth and breadth** which continue to be delivered to our beleaguered and worthy recipients. All of these successes are predominately attributable to

the main source – our contributors. Without this vital ingredient, coupled with our triumvirate of dedicated facilitators, we would not be able to accomplish anything of magnitude. **Please be comforted by the broad array of recent WECANHELP accomplishments:**

Relevant News:

- Venezuela will soon eliminate 6 zeros from its currency. (Last week we received Bolivares (Bs.) 4,000,000 for each dollar!)
<https://www.bloomberg.com/news/articles/2021-07-01/venezuela-to-cut-six-zeroes-off-bolivar-to-simplify-transactions>
- United Nations World Food Programme is starting to work with communities around the country to assist with child hunger. They visited Sra. Maritza de Flores, one of our regular food kitchen providers at [Pies Descalzo](#) and provided medical checkups for the children in her district.
<https://www.wfp.org/news/wfp-launches-school-meals-programme-venezuela>

Special cases:

- Paid for medical evaluation of Pablo, 8 years old. Anger management issues; was expelled from the orphanage and placed in foster care where he continues to hurt himself and break things. Test results showed no neurological anomalies, it is believed he is experiencing PTSD.



- 5 year old Maria José and her little sister were abandoned by their mother in front of Child Protective Services. Once in foster care, she requested help because she was afraid she would hurt her sister. After complete neurological evaluation, doctors believe she witnessed a murder. We have covered all her medical exams. The mother has disappeared.



Maria Jose receives evaluation & EEG Brain Wave Exam

- Diego has been experiencing severe asthma episodes. WECANHELP covered his medical evaluation and medicines. On July 6, we received a request for additional help due to the fact that his foster family contracted COVID. We have provided funds for their treatment.



Update: Diegos's foster father passed away on July 18. He died of COVID.

- In less than a month, 3 foster fathers have died as a result of the virus.
- Elizabeth coordinated a donation to San Vicente de Paul, nursing home in Naguanagua. They are in desperate need for food and medicine with 17 COVID cases. One of the nuns passed away from the virus. The donation was made in coordination with Defensa Civil.

- Mary Marrero was out on a date 7 years ago, when she was robbed. Her boyfriend and another friend were killed in front of her. She was left by the side of the road and did not receive help on time. As a result, she was left paralyzed from the waist down. She can improve her condition with rehabilitation, with which we have been helping.



- We were fortunate to receive another donation of medicine from **SOLIDARVIVA ITALIA Foundation**, which was taken to the hospital in Naguanagua. Thank you again Dr. Jimmy Fornino!



COVID-19

- We receive requests for COVID supportive medicines at least twice a week. Depending on the severity of the cases, medicines can be very expensive, and we can only contribute between \$10 and \$30 per request because we have so many cases.

Orphanages:

- Orphanages have been especially vulnerable to COVID transmission. Early in the pandemic, the director of Casa Hogar Maria Auxiliadora, Mr. Eduardo Freire passed away from the virus.
 - Sr. Orlando Perez and Sra. Yanette de Perez, directors of Casa Hogar Amor, Fé y Esperanza have had COVID twice. Sadly, they lost their beloved son-in-law to the virus in April.

- In June, Semillita Orphanage was victim of a scam. They were promised food delivery which never arrived even though they had already paid.

Special Projects:

- On July 1st., Calazanz Sur started a Solidarity campaign through its web Itaka Escalopios. WECANHELP contributed by sponsoring tickets and snacks for 30 needy children to attend a movie. In addition, we contributed to the festivities of Dia del Niño. Every child deserves a taste of fun!
 - On July 16, Comedor Simon Flores celebrated Día del Niño. WECANHELP has provided funds also for this nutritional special event!



Tie Dye Activity at Maria Auxiliadora Orphanage



"Dia del Nino" (Day of the Child) at Calazans Orphanage

- In September, Raja, Elizabeth and Maria Angelica will receive WECANHELP recognition on behalf of Calazanz Sur for our contribution to their educational campaigns.

Monetary Disbursements:

35% of donations received by WECANHELP transfers Directly into the following regularly investigated organizations:

INSTITUTIONS:

- Sentimiento Infantil, Foster Home
- Casa Hogar San Antonio, Orphanage
- Genesis de Esperanza, Orphanage
- Semillita, Orphanage
- Hermanas Hospitalarias, Orphanage
- Casa Hogar Febres Cordero, Orphanage
- San Pio, Malnourished Children
- Casa Corazon de Jesus, School
- Albergue Santa Eduvigis, Nursing Home
- Carmen de Salles, Nursing Home
- San Vicente de Paul, Nursing Home

FOOD KITCHENS:

- Fundacion Refugios PANA
- Fundacion Pies Descalzos (Comedor Simon Flores)
- Olla Solidaria San Jose
- Olla Solidaria Espiritu Santo
- Olla Solidaria San Pio
- Olla Solidaria Sagrado Corazon de Jesus
- Comedor Flor Amarillo

- Central Tacariqua
- La Begona
- Padre Benito
- Iglesia Pirital
- Iglesia San Diego

HEALTH ORGANIZATIONS

- Voluntarios de Ay, Children with Cancer
- Radioterapias Cabriales
- Fisica Medica
- Fundacardio
- Centro de Rehabilitation Integral
- Farmacia San Pedro



**Food Kitchen
Simon Flores**

***Dia del Nino
(Day of the Child)
celebration help***

- 15% is destined to monthly allowances for people in dire need
- 15% is used for the purchase of food to be distributed in donation bags
- 15% is used to buy medicine for people who have no financial resources
- 20% Covid help



Calazanz Orphanage

PARISHES

- Archdiocese Nuestra Senora del Secorro
- Calazanz Sur
- Los Naranjos
- San Jose, Padre Kafka
- Las Siervas
- La Campina
- San Cayetano
- Iglesia La Michelena

If you are able and wish to participate, please forward a check payable to:

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Transmission details for WECANHELP'S Wells Fargo Philanthropic Account also is available:

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Warmest regards with respect and **deep admiration,**

Frank