



John D.V. Salvador  
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THE John D.V. Salvador  
*foundation*

# Onward and Upward



2019







## Helping Hands

DEAR FRIENDS,

As I reflect on our ambitious year, I am proud that we are continuing to evolve to meet the needs of children in the community.

Since Centro Salvador's inauguration in the summer of 2013, there have been many changes. The Centro now looks after 1,500 children up to the age of 12 with plans for 300 more. The Centro also cares for 40 children with special needs. It has also developed an outreach program for parents.

Additionally, whether or not children attend college, vocational training will provide them with a fulfilling livelihood. We are supporting a multi-phase project at the Don Bosco center to update the large residential and teaching facility in the Tondo area of Manila. We are overjoyed that the first building, the De Sales building in the Training Center, is now complete.

As always, we couldn't continue our work without your unwavering support for our children. We remain extremely grateful that you share our mission of helping these children develop their full potential.

With my best wishes & respect,

M. Lizelle Salvador, *Chairman*

## 2019 Highlights

- ★ First building of Don Bosco's new training center completed
- ★ Centro Salvador looks after 1,763 children
- ★ San Martin de Porres enhances collaborative partnerships with the Rotary Club



## Raising Resilient Children

OUR COUNTRY is one of the most disaster-prone in the region. At the onset of the year, we have already been rattled by unsettling and paralyzing calamitous events including earthquakes, typhoons, floods, and a volcanic eruption. We are always in survival mode, bracing ourselves to tackle the next challenge. That resilience defines the very character of our 150 children in the St. Martin de Porres community: they are flexible, adaptable and focused on their goals.

As we progress on the development of the facilities, the children are acquiring more practical skills: driving, swimming, cooking, good housekeeping, sports, self-defense, theater and arts. Moreover, we are enhancing our collaborative partnerships

with civic groups (Rotary and Soroptimist International), and with other colleges and universities. Our children are empowered and will be able to work and live anywhere – but, thankfully, no longer on the streets. They are strong and able to weather the fiercest storms of life.

We are forever grateful and deeply thankful for your continuous trust, confidence and support. Together, we are making great strides for the poorest of the poor.

Father Boyet



## A Note from the Treasurer – February 2020



IN THE FISCAL YEAR 2018 – 2019, The John D.V. Salvador Foundation raised USD 159,731.73. We raised most of the funds again in Europe. The contribution from the USA remained at 11%. A few long-term supporters funded most of our activities. For the first time in our history, the Swiss Chapter of our movement contributed with 27.4%, more than a fifth of our revenues.

Our cost development was satisfactory. Total expenses amounted to USD 1,470.15. Lower again than in the previous years thanks to the pro bono work of all board members and KPMG, our accountant. Our efficiency ratio thus increased from 98.68% to 99.08% - well above our target of 97%. Of every US Dollar received, 99 cents thus reach our children and teenagers.

The John D.V. Salvador Foundation focused last year on:

1. The completion of the refurbishment of the School for Tourism & Hospitality at Don Bosco in Tondo (Greater Manila). Most of the funds were used to build a state of the art kitchen.
2. The replacement of the Asbestos Roofs at Don Bosco. This allows us to modernise the facilities used for mechanical and electrical engineering and creates space to accommodate the parents meeting of the Centro Salvador (we thus do not have to enlarge our own building).

Total project spending amounted to USD 256,396.27, which was 27% lower than last year's peak (USD 351,988.90).

The budget for the fiscal year 2019–2020 remains unchanged at USD 150,000. Our target efficiency ratio remains unchanged as well.

Hugo Banziger, *Treasurer*

## Milestones: A Changing Landscape and Healing Hearts



### THE JOHN D.V. SALVADOR FOUNDATION

*A commitment to give at risk children the opportunity to thrive.*

**The Mission:** As children grow, they enrich the lives of those around them, and once they mature they have the chance to make a difference. But in order to fully develop this potential, children need and deserve a healthy, secure, and supportive environment. The John D.V. Salvador Foundation (JDVSF) works to establish, fund, and support programs to benefit children who, without the consistent care of loving parents, might fall victim to the poverty, disability, and abuse that could thwart development of their innate, unique gifts.





Board Member Hugo Banziger enjoys a warm welcome at Centro Salvador



View of Tondo from balcony at Centro Salvador

## Growing Stronger: Update on Hijas, Centro and San Martin de Porres

HUGO BANZIGER, Board Treasurer, made his annual visit to the Philippines on behalf of the John D.V. Salvador foundation.

He enjoyed a warm welcome at Hijas de Ester. There are now 63 girls in the home. A third cottage was completed last year and a fourth is being planned through private funding.

In addition, Centro Salvador is growing stronger since its inauguration five years ago. The program we run together with the Canadian Chalice Foundation covers 1,763 children living in the slums of Tondo and aims at keeping families together. Given the number of children meals which are now prepared each day, the kitchen team has expanded to almost 30 mothers who come in every day to do the cooking.

There is also a lot of activity at San Martin de Porres in Bustos. A new center is being built for day treatment of young HIV patients. The Rotary Club Manila has just promised to finance the refurbishment of the piggery where all but five had died from the African Swine Flu.



The boys are preparing for Church services

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