

# Annual Report 2017



## A summary of 5 years of the Foundation

Established in 2012 with capital provided by Air-Val International, the foundation is proud of the support it has been able to offer children both in Spain and throughout the rest of the world. Over the course of 5 years the work carried out in Nuria García's name has had, and continues to have, a profound impact, not just on children but also on their own families and local communities. This support has been possible thanks to the tireless efforts of collaborators, donors, members and non-profit organisations and their day-to-day struggle to change the present and future of children everywhere..

5-year aid of 323.242€ in 18 countries

Collaborating NGOs 35 Health and Education projects 54

New clinics and dispensaries
4

Child beneficiaries approx 13,250

New and renovated wells 11



#### **Editorial**

Over the course of 2017 the foundation's efforts were focussed on 3 main areas: Africa, child refugees and voluntary service.

In the history of the foundation this was the first time that we had received so many requests for support from Africa, with the result that the foundation's Board of Trustees decided to dedicate significant funds to projects such as ophthalmology campaigns for Senegalese children, a new clinic in Cameroon, a new classroom and a well in Madagascar, and an important nutrition and education support programme in Ethiopia.

The current refugee situation, in which 50% of refugees are children who, in many cases, are travelling alone, needs all the help it can get. In 2017, funds were allocated in an effort to provide aid for children saved by rescue vessels and/or housed in refugee camps.

And last but by no means least, many extraordinary people have approached us with the aim of dedicating their time to voluntary work, both in Spain and in projects aided by the foundation in Nicaragua and Nepal. It gives us great pleasure to know that the foundation is in part responsible for such a wave of solidarity!

Thanks to your presence at our side, many more of the world's children are free to be children. They go to school instead of going to work; they receive nutrition, meaning they are healthier; they have access to clean water, and some of them are even able to enjoy a more tolerable existence in refugee camps or on rescue vessels in the Mediterranean. Thank you!



## **Projects in Spain**

## Donation for the Food Distribution Centre – With the Red Cross and the Castelldefels Local Council

Aid: 5.000€

Local social organisations and the Castelldefels Local Council united in an effort to provide a response to the precarious living situation experienced by many local families. The Food Distribution Centre is a local distribution service that allows beneficiaries to select the products that best suit their particular needs according to a points system and provides assistance with the organisation of daily meals.

## Support for the #MenjarsalInsti youth programme - With the Red Cross, Baix Llobregat

Aid: 4.500€

When children commence compulsory schooling they lose their right to the school lunch programme provided by the state, though many families rely on this provision for their daily sustenance. The Red Cross attempts to detect these situations of risk and facilitates access to a meal both within and outside the school. The foundation supports the "Menjars al Insti" (School Lunches) Project in Gava in collaboration with Bankia, as part of the bank's Red Solidaria (Solidarity Network) programme.

#### Support for the #Invulnerables programme in Catalonia-With the Rosa Oriol Foundation, La Caixa and FCBarcelona

Aid: 5.500€

This programme provides aid to families that exist in situations of maximum vulnerability by offering a response to their basic needs that includes assistance, comprehensive family support and parent orientation.



## **Projects in Africa**

# Ophthalmology campaigns in schools and villages - With Gesta África in Senegal

Aid: 13.000€

In Senegal, 1.5 million children under the age of 15 are blind and some 13 million children between the ages of 5 and 15 suffer impaired vision as the result of uncorrected refractive defects. With the aid of a mobile surgical unit, Gesta-África organises and carries out children's check-up campaigns and interventions and improves the lives of some 1000 children every year.

# Children's clinic and de-parasitizing centre - With the ANepal Foundation in Cameroon

Aid: 10.0000€

This project consisted of establishing a medical clinic in a very deprived area. The foundation financed both construction and the equipment required for the clinic, which included booths, a delivery room, a nursing room and a small dispensary.

In addition, the new clinic is both the one-stop centre for de-parasitization for the children of the area and the centre where quarterly campaigns in schools are organised and implemented with the help of local healthcare professionals, the aim being to raise awareness regarding the need for hygiene and nutrition while simultaneously treating and preventing infectious, mainly parasitic, diseases.



## **Projects in Africa**

# New secondary-school classroom in the school in Los Zafiros - With the NGO Proyecto Juntos in Madagascar

Aid: 8.300€

The objective of the Project is to extend and improve both school attendance and the educational level of the poorest children of Tulear by guaranteeing their nutrition and schooling in the "Los Zafiros" school as a means of combatting child labour (in the sapphire mines) and sexual exploitation. Aid is provided in the form of shelter and protection for the children, who receive a balanced midday meal and a snack – all of which constitute key elements in favour of a family deciding to educate its children.

# **Health and Education in Ethiopia - With the association Alegría Sin Fronteras in Ethiopia**

Aid: 15.5000€

The centre focusses on both the education of children who are either orphans or are at risk of exclusion and combatting absenteeism via the monitoring of local children. While this is essentially a schooling programme, the vast majority of students are also deficient in basic requirements such as food, access to healthcare and clothing. For this reason, food and clothing are distributed and medical check-ups are carried out. The programme is implemented in the town of Meki and the surrounding area with the collaboration of the association Alegría Sin Fronteras and the Pablo Hortsmann Foundation..



## **Projects in Latin America**

# **Equipment for the orphanage clinic – With the Nuestros Pequeños Hermanos Foundation in Haiti**

Aid: 5.000€

The orphanage known as Kay St Hélène, 2 hours from Puerto Principe, is home to 450 orphaned or abandoned children who have come under the tutelage of the Nuestros Pequeños Hermanos (Our Little Brothers) Foundation. The orphanage clinic, which attends to the needs of more than 1000 local children and 5000 adults, was in need of renovation and new equipment following the devastation of hurricane Matthew in 2016...

# Nutrition for children in Managua - Nicaragua - With the Padre Fabretto Foundation, Victor, David and Jacobo

Aid: 1.955€

While carrying out their voluntary work in Nicaragua, Victor (the secretary of the foundation), David and Jacobo decided to lend their support to a sustainable nutrition project for the children of the San Isidro school located in the outskirts of Managua. Housed within the school grounds and overseen by the children themselves is a small cooperative dedicated to raising chickens. By calling on their contacts the 3 volunteers were able to raise the funds required to help improve children's nutrition in a school of 750 students.



## Child refugee aid projects

## Project 423, for children in rescue vessels - With Save the Children in the Mediterranean

Aid: 3.500€

The foundation supports the Save the Children project and its vessel, which rescued more than 400 children in 2017 alone, 80% of whom were unaccompanied minors. Just off the coast of Sicily, in the Mediterranean, the NGO offers medical care and other essential services, including food and dry clothing, in addition to offering safe accommodation for children, who are also provided with toys and materials for drawing and painting in an effort to help them gradually overcome the traumatic experience they have recently been through. One in every three refugees who undertake these journeys is a minor.

## Aid for children in the Kalochori camp - With Barcelona Human Aid in Greece

Aid: 1.000€

The foundation, in conjunction with the NGO Barcelona Human Aid, lent support for child refugees in the refugee camp in Greece by financing dental health and ophthalmological programmes for children in Kalochori before the camp was closed.



## Other collaborations - Nepal and Madagascar

# Creating a future for Kathmandu orphans - With Arantxa, Berta, Victor and David in Nepal

Aid: 5.052€

During their stay in Nepal, these 4 young volunteers made the decision to help the children of the orphanage in Duwakot, in the outskirts of Kathmandu. Their aim was to contribute to the improvement in the quality of life of these children. While in the orphanage they are fed, have the opportunity to study and their healthcare needs are met, they still lack some basic necessities, and for this reason the 4 volunteers sought funds to purchase clothing, sheets, cushions, a new carpet and other priority items..

# A new well for the Ambovombe school - With the association Malaria40 in Madagascar

Aid: 1.850€

A new well was built on the grounds of the school in Ambovombe, in the Androy region of southern Madagascar. Since 2015 this region has experienced severe drought and food shortages. The school has 1000 students, meaning that some 1000 families will benefit from the new well, as access to clean water also means being able to cultivate crops and improve family nutrition.



#### Volunteers, awareness-raising and events





#### **Solidarity market**

For some years now, Air-Val International has been organising solidarity markets in which the company's products are sold as a means of financing foundation projects. In July of 2017 the market featured a collection of "back to school" material for the children supported by the foundation Roure.

#### Awareness-raising in Sant Jordi

Via its stand on St. George's Day, the foundation informs visitors of the work it carries out throughout the world. The funds raised on the basis of selling roses and donated books go towards a variety of health and nutrition projects.

#### Our volunteers are very special people

In the Sant Joan de Déu Hospital in Barcelona our volunteers offer moments of fun and creativity to hospitalised children, who are given the chance to create their own perfume and present it to their family and friends. In Nicaragua, Rebecca and Barbara organised a workshop for children supported by the Fabretto Foundation. In Nepal, Arantxa, Berta, Victor and David improved the lives of orphaned children in Kathmandu.



## Full transparency - Our collaborators

#### **Expenses**



**82%** • Social mission

**13**% Fundraising

5% Admin.

#### Income



**60%** • Members

34% Donations

6% Raised at events

Financial statements and the corresponding auditor's reports are freely accessible via the web www.fundacionnuriagarcia.org

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The foundation would like to thank all members and donors for their solidarity, with a special thanks to the following for their help in 2017...

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Our honorary members
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...and to all our members who contribute greatly to offer children better life conditions and a dignified future.





#### With gratitude from the Nuria García Foundation team

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