



# ENVISION

## EL SALVADOR



# Annual Report 2019



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# Introduction

Envision El Salvador is dedicated to various social help programs with the goal of positively impacting Salvadoran communities. Our organization opened its doors in January 2011 in a small community called Colonia Centroamérica within the capital city of San Salvador. A family of missionaries from Montana began this journey and laid the foundation for what is now Envision El Salvador. In the span of eight years, we have overcome many obstacles and despite being a youth-specialized NGO, we have had the privilege of benefiting many Salvadoran families with each one of the programs we have launched.

One of our largest programs is called La Fuente ("The Fountain") which had many victories in 2019 as we gained more resources. The program continues to offer reinforcement classes such as: math, English, and computer skills; additionally, we added several laptop computers to our computer lab allowing more students to work in our homework time. The newest part of our program is the psychological help we can offer the students through a partnership with a local university. We also implement vocational classes like woodshop, cooking, baking, crafts and more.



# President

Nicolás Antonio Escalante Rendón (Tony)

Tony earned a degree as a Ministerial Technician from the Institution "CanZion El Salvador". Additionally he graduated with a degree in Technical Marketing from the Technological University of El Salvador. Apart from his education and position as president of Envision El Salvador, Tony is a dedicated husband and father of two.

A Message From Tony:

"Thank you for taking the time to get to know more about our organization. During the year 2019, we overcame many challenges, but with that also came a good harvest from the work we invested in the beneficiaries of our projects. We want to continue encouraging you to be a part of the efforts to bring hope, light, restoration, and transformation to the lives of the Salvadoran youth in order to join together and in various ways support the daily work done to reach this vision that God has put in us. A big hug and blessings from our Creator."

Nicolás Antonio Escalante Rendón  
Envision El Salvador

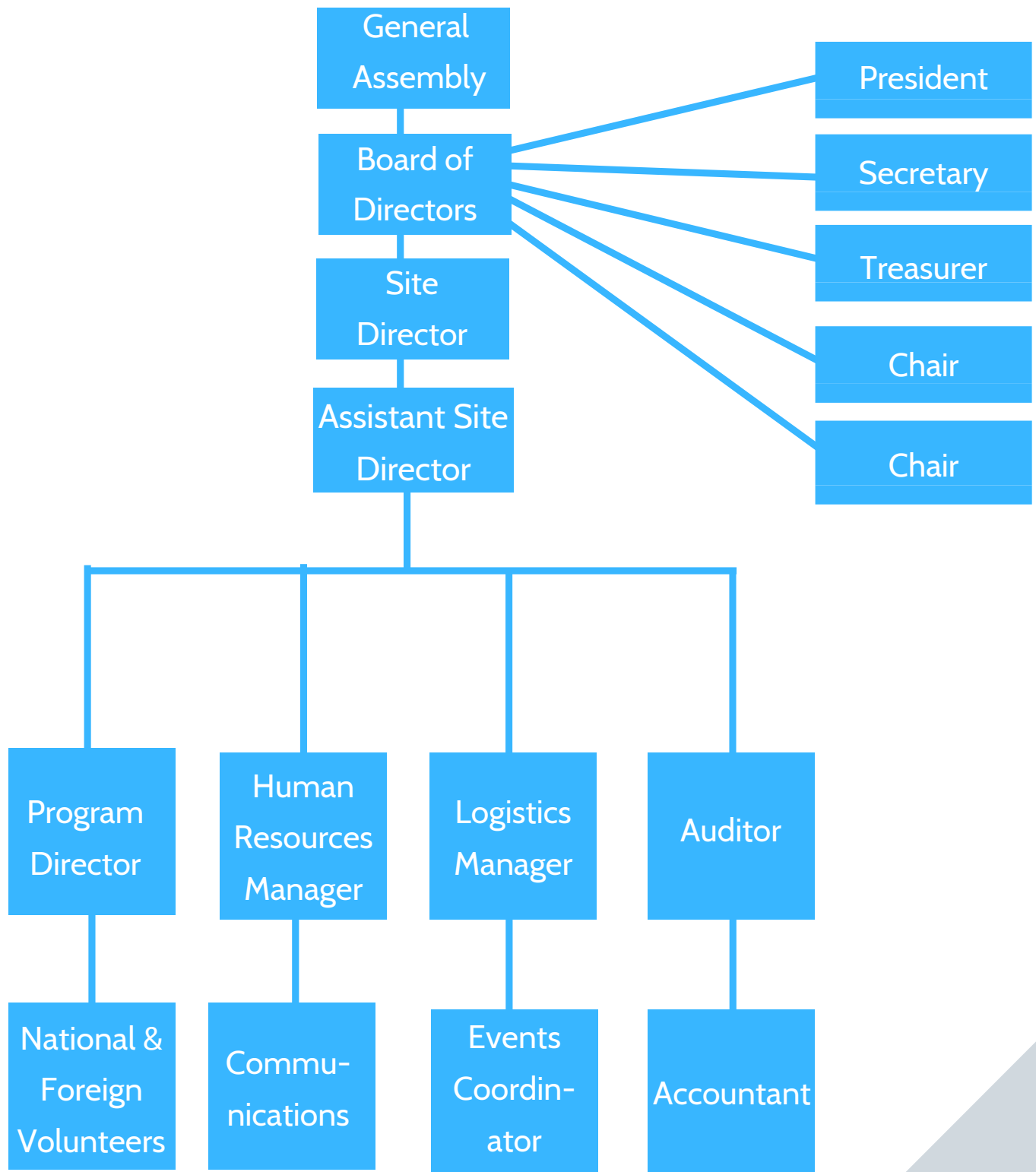
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# Envision El Salvador Organization Chart



# Mission, Vision & Values

## Mission

We exist in order to transform the hearts  
of the broken through the love of Christ.

## Vision

We strive to change families and futures  
for the glory of God in El Salvador.

## Values

### Love

We work out of love and not out of obligation  
for those whom we serve.

1 Corinthians 13:1-3 & Matthew 22:39

### Service

We imitate the attitude of Christ putting the needs of others  
before our own - doing good rather than feeling good.

Philippians 2:5-8

### Peace Making

When we have problems we commit to talking *with* each other  
as Jesus teaches us instead of talking *about* one another.

Matthew 18:15-18



# Projects

| Project                 | Location                                  | Ministry   | Beneficiaries  |
|-------------------------|---|--|--|
| La Fuente               | Envision El Salvador Site                 | Regular Program<br>Spring Retreat                    | Students from various schools<br>in the following neighborhoods:<br>Dolores<br>San Rafael<br>Costa Rica<br>& the surrounding areas |
|                         | Bicentennial Park                         | Recreation and<br>personal<br>growth outings         |  |
|                         | Pool in Santa Tecla                       |  |  |
|                         | The Little Prince Waterpark               |  |  |
|                         | Cuscatlan Park                            |  |  |
| Mavericks               | Colonia Centroamérica Park                | Practice   | Young ladies in the<br>following neighborhoods:<br>Dolores<br>San Rafael<br>Costa Rica<br>& the surrounding areas                  |
|                         | Las Delicias Stadium                      | Games  |  |
|                         | SAAIF American Football<br>Sports Complex |  |  |
| La Fuente F.C.          | Colonia Centroamérica Park                | Practice   | Teen boys in the<br>following neighborhoods:<br>Dolores<br>San Rafael<br>Costa Rica<br>& the surrounding areas                     |
|                         | Plaza Futbol Soccer Fields                | Games  |  |
| Envision<br>Scholarship | Escuela Cristiana<br>Maranatha            | High School<br>Scholarships for<br>general education | Qualified La Fuente<br>students  |



# La Fuente

La Fuente began in May 2015 as a short-term project. At its start, there were roughly 20 teenagers in attendance, and with the help of volunteers from Simpson University from Redding, CA, our team carried out extracurricular activities such as crafts, cooking classes, English classes, games, and more.

Due to the acceptance of the program among the youth and the openness of a local school called Centro Escolar Dr. Dario González, we made the decision to invest even more in the growing program.

In 2016, the La Fuente program's hours expanded and we provided lunch to each student. We also added small group time which allowed us to get to know each student in a more personal way. It was in this time they had the opportunity to share their opinions and thoughts about important topics for Salvadoran youth and about the bible without fear of judgment. It was also a space in which they could ask questions and receive prayer.

2017 was a year of learning and growing. Deep relationships were developed with each one of our students allowing us to know first-hand their personal and family situations. We learned more about their families and social environments which has helped us to understand their behaviors and develop strategies in order to guide them in the best way, keeping in perspective our mission of forming integral, God-fearing youth for the good of the Salvadoran society.



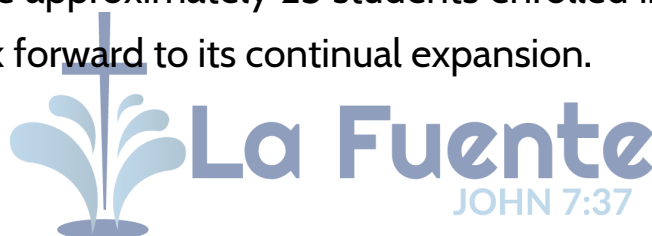


2018 meant big challenges for the La Fuente program, which transitioned to the facilities of Envision El Salvador instead of the school. This change allowed the program to evolve and made way for us to include new ways to work with our students. We were able to expand the areas of math class and homework club, and utilize more resources in our own facility. We also grew our English department, offering basic and intermediate English classes.

As in years past, 2019 was filled with changes and new opportunities for the program. After being trained in trauma-competent care, we implemented more structure within the program and became more equipped to help our students. We also continued our efforts in the spiritual area of the program, always improving our Bible studies, daily devotionals, youth group services, and discipleship.

We formed a partnership with the University of Central America Jose Simeon Cañas which allows us to receive student volunteers to serve as math and homework tutors. With the same university, we started a project with several of their psychology students who have been hosting workshops to help in the emotional and mental health area of our program. Another big partnership for us in 2019 was with a food company called Global Alimentos. They provided food donations for us like corn flour, rice, oil and oatmeal so that our youth are well fed when they attend our program. On the spiritual side, we were fortunate to host for the first time a spring retreat and a baptism service for our teens.

We expect to have approximately 25 students enrolled in the program for 2020 and we look forward to its continual expansion.











# Mavericks

The Mavericks program is a flag football team which is overseen by the Salvadoran Association of American Intramural Football (SAAIF). It began its training in August 2017. Quickly their commitment, physical preparation, and technical strategy allowed them to advance in the rankings within the women's flag football league. In 2018 they triumphed in the championship which was a huge victory for this ministry.

In 2019 they became two-time champions and met a big goal of theirs by having an undefeated season. They also gained two sponsorships with a local sports clothing company (Pony) and a nutritional clinic (Nutrirté).



The team's philosophy is "creating good athletes, better people." Apart from their sports success as a team, the Mavericks also demonstrated a spirit of service. For the second year in a row, they've committed themselves to passing out Christmas presents donated by churches, missionaries, and individuals to children in poor neighborhoods within San Salvador. One of those neighborhoods is located in town called Apopa where for the first year ever, the team started a children's program similar to the La Fuente program. They faithfully ran this program one Saturday each month alongside a local Alliance church. The players organized activities such as games, English class, and football drills. Each Saturday of the program, they served food to the children after a bible lesson from the local church workers and volunteers. At the end of 2019, in addition to passing out toys, they put on a special Christmas party for all the children.







# La Fuente F.C.

La Fuente Fútbol Club is a soccer program that started in February 2017. It was formed out of the need to keep the boys of the La Fuente program involved in physical activity, while teaching them about healthy competition. We strive to motivate our boys to focus and achieve their goals.

In the previous two years, La Fuente F.C. competed in a tournament held by the national police department. Both years, our boys came in second place. In 2019, they entered a new tournament for all ages held every Sunday at a local soccer field. This was a new experience for our players as they weren't just going up against teenagers their own age as in previous years; many of the teams were made up of adults. Although it was a challenging season, they made it all the way to the quarter finals.

La Fuente F.C. teaches its participants respect, teamwork, discipline, perseverance, and love for the sport.









# Envision Scholarship

The Envision Scholarship emerged out of the need to provide better educational options to the youth in our La Fuente program. With little funds to achieve this goal, in 2016 we began producing and selling coffee bean jewelry hand made by the teens in La Fuente. At the end of 2016, we awarded our first ever scholarship to attend two years of high school at a private Christian school called Escuela Cristiana Maranatha. Our first beneficiary of this program attended the school for two years and received her high school diploma in 2018.

Apart from income from the handmade coffee bean jewelry, we receive financial support for these scholarships through donations made by churches, organizations, and people from the United States.



God has demonstrated his great faithfulness to our scholarship program by continually expanding our resources, allowing us to provide more and more scholarships than we ever thought possible. For the 2019 school year, we awarded not just one, but three scholarships. These three students worked very hard in their first year of high school, winning awards in areas such as artistic expression and spiritual testimony.

For the 2020 school year, through God's faithfulness once more, we were able to present four new scholarships to current teens from the La Fuente program as well as send the previously mentioned three students into their second and final year of high school. In total, for 2020, we have seven scholarship students representing La Fuente at Escuela Cristiana Maranatha.







# Internships & Residencies

Our internship and residency program allows us to collaborate with individuals from the United States and Canada. Participants involved in this program join our team for a unique mid-term missionary opportunity with time frames lasting from 1-12 months (internship) and two years (residency). During their stay, our interns and residents gain first hand experience of the day-to-day life of working in international missions while integrating with the Salvadoran staff and culture.

In 2019, our interns and residents engaged in English classes, Bible study & discipleship ministry, communications, videography, photography, administration work (data collecting, finances, etc.), database design, language translation (verbal & written), and sports ministry.





# Missions

As an Envision site, we also host short-term mission teams for 1-2 weeks. Yearly, we receive visiting groups of people from various churches and cities across the United States and Canada. They support, inspire, and work in our regularly-established programs as well as local churches and schools.

In 2019, we had the opportunity to utilize these groups of 6-20 people to get involved in youth & children's programs, church leadership vision casting and encouragement, family activities, theater & dance ministry, and construction projects in several partner ministries as well as in our facility.



# Missions

## Community of Adoration Church (C&MA)

San Salvador

We partnered with this church to host a family night during which we planned children's games, fun ice breakers, and a great time of fellowship alongside church members. We also helped paint within their facility and offered encouragement to their church leadership.

## Christian & Missionary Alliance Church (C&MA)

Apopa

Alongside the Mavericks flag football team and the church members, we ran a children's program which included stations for games, football drills, and English class.

## CERFAD

Quezaltepeque

We partnered with this local church by leading a VBS program and preaching during a church service.

## Local Christian Schools

*Liceo Cristiano Reverendo Juan Bueno*

*Escuela Cristiana Maranatha*

Col. Dolores, San Salvador

We ministered to their students through theater and dance ministry.

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## Hungry Church

San Salvador

We partnered with this local bilingual church by vision casting with and offering encouragement to their church leadership.

## Church of the Nazarene Montecarmelo

*Colegio Profesor Alonso Reyes Guerra (school)*

*Centro de Desarrollo Infantil Montecarmelo (after-school program)*

Col. Montecarmelo, San Salvador

We partnered with this local church, specifically ministering to the students in their Christian school and participants in their after-school program overseen by Compassion International, through theater and dance ministry.

## La Fuente Program

Col. Centroamérica, San Salvador

We incorporated the mission teams in our regularly scheduled program in the following ways: teaching English classes, sharing devotionals through music, testimonials, and teaching the bible, leading crafts, activities, bible studies, and participating in sports training, etc.

## Envision El Salvador

Col. Centroamérica, San Salvador

Mission teams supported us by tackling projects in our ministry center and intern house such as painting, gardening, etc.



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