



Friends of The CCCO

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Giving is our Privilege, giving is our Duty, giving is our Mission

Message from the President:

2018 - A Year in Review:

Dear Friends of the CCCO,

I have the privilege and honor to share with you in this Newsletter the highlights of our fundraising events from 2018, an overview of the activities carried out in 2018 to fulfill the programs for the children we have been supporting for 27 years, and the status of future projects that will extend the scope of our reach. It was a busy and productive year.

In February of 2018, I visited the boys in Nazareth and the girls in Santa Ana, Agua de Dios, Colombia. I was thrilled to see my dreams thriving in the lives of these children. Nazareth has 32 boys registered, and Santa Ana has 33 girls registered. Three of the girls who finished High School are now preparing to continue with postsecondary education. All of this is possible thanks to the generosity of our Canadian benefactors, the commitment of a growing number of volunteers here in Canada and in Colombia, and the loving care of the sisters of the Sacred Heart towards these children. More than ever, I am committed to continue endorsing our cause.

Our annual events, the Golf tournament, the Gala and Auction Sale, and the Christmas Breakfast continue to be the backbone of our fundraising activities. We registered 112 players at our 12th Annual Golf Tournament and we raised \$22,967.35. We hosted 210 guests at our signature fundraising event, the Annual Fundraising Gala and Auction Sale, "La Molienda" named after our world-famous Colombian coffee. We raised \$27,290.70. Thanks to one of our dedicated volunteers living in Calgary, we successfully hosted our 7th Annual Christmas Breakfast.

In addition, we received over \$45,000 from private donors, monthly donors and Friends of the CCCO program.

Throughout 2018, the CCCO supported nutrition, education and health programs for Nazareth, Santa Ana and FundaMAS.

The funds raised during 2018 were distributed as follows:

Nazareth	\$51,394.40 CAD
Santa Ana	\$33,717.23 CAD
FundaMAS	<u>\$24,998.76 CAD</u>
Grand Total	\$110,110.39 CAD

I would like to thank our donors, sponsors and benefactors for their generosity, and our volunteers for the tireless work they do for us. They are all the heart of our organization.

Finally, I would like to invite you to visit us at <http://www.theccco.org>. You will find the opportunity to sponsor our activities, volunteer, or just chat with us. Be assured that your helping hand is enabling a brighter future for many needy children in Colombia. Let's keep in mind that "Within the child lies the fate of the future." – Maria Montessori.

Sincerely,
Conchita Sanchez,
CCCO President



2018 – Boys from Nazareth

Please find attached our fundraising activities for 2019.
Mark your calendars!!



2018 – FundaMAS

Our Vision:

Building together a foundation for children to rise to their own potential.

Our Mission:

Through partnerships, we focus on breaking the cycle of poverty and violence by providing values-based education, quality health and nutrition and caring personal support.

Our Strategic Plan for 2019 includes:

- Continue supporting the programs we have established in Colombia for the children at Nazareth School and Orphanage, Santa Ana School and Orphanage and FundaMAS (Fundación Misericordia, Amor y Servicio) through:
 - educational and nutritional resources
 - health care and
 - personal encouragement, so children will graduate from high school
- Begin supporting La Anunciación, an elementary school for boys and girls in Medellin, Antioquia.
- Research and support other projects in Colombia within the mandate of our organization.

Dedicate an Event to The CCCO

Gather friends and family for a CCCO event, or dedicate an event (such as a birthday, baptism, etc.) to The CCCO. If you want us to attend, we will be happy to do so. We will share our Vision, our Mission and the work we do with your guests. All guests who contribute \$25 or more will receive an income-tax receipt.

Donate through United Way

You can donate through United Way if there is a program in the company you work for.

Blank Cards

Purchase packages of blank cards for you to write your own message, showcasing pictures of the children we are helping or beautiful pictures the kids have drawn.



End of Year Party – Children from Nazareth and Santa Ana School and Orphanage

No matter what you give, or how much you donate, or how many hours you volunteer, it will make a difference for generations to thrive.

The CCCO volunteers don't receive any compensation for the work they do; therefore, 100% of your generous donations go towards the support of our programs for the disadvantaged children of Colombia.

Please keep helping us and thank you for your support.