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### **Annual Report, year ending 2007**

**Greetings from** Fundación Ayuda Niños La Paz, A.C.

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**The good work of our breakfast kitchen is continuing.** Saint Joseph's Catholic Church in Colonia Márquez de León started this program in 1993. When school was in session in 2007 FANLAP purchased fruit, vegetables at times, meat and other necessary articles for the breakfast three times a week for 110 children (70 children would eat breakfast in the dining room, while fruit and bread was delivered to another 40 children at the school in La Fortuna, a small community a half-hour drive from the breakfast kitchen.) A total of 12,100 breakfasts were served in 2007; the money for this program comes from Trinity Lutheran Church in Vancouver, Washington. The work of cooking, serving and cleanup is done by some of the moms from the neighborhood.

**The lunchroom in Colonia Laguna Azul also continues to feed the hungry.** It opened in September 2003, and we served hot lunches three days a week during the school year. After one year, the kitchen committee decided the community would be better served if the children would receive lunch five days a week. Since then 150 children, five senior citizens, and the eight cooks and their husbands have partaken of this program. We collaborate with DIF (the family development arm of the government) which provides rice, beans, oil and other staples for the kitchen. FANLAP makes all other necessary purchases such as meat, eggs, tortillas, and also pays for propane, electricity, and other costs to run the kitchen. The money for this program comes from Club Cruceros de La Paz and their annual auction. In 2007, 28,500 meals were served.

**A library was installed in the same building,** in collaboration with "Club Rotario Balandra" and the government public library department.

**Plans for a library expansion are moving along.** In July 2007, the City of La Paz donated the property on which the building resides to FANLAP. We have asked for funds through International Community Foundation to build a second floor on the existing building to meet the size requirements of the Mexican Federal Government, the

State of Baja California and the City of La Paz for a Public Library. Once the building is constructed, the government will supply additional books, necessary furniture, computers and a wireless connection to the Internet. They will also train an assistant librarian. We plan to complete this Project during 2008.

### **Scholarships to junior and senior high school.**

This year we helped 311 students continue their education. These students were required to maintain a grade point average of 8.0 (equivalent to a high C or B average). If they fell below this average, they would have to supply a doctors' excuse or other justification to our psychologist. Most students are given a chance to bring their grades back up; if they continue to do poorly they will be dropped from the program. Junior high school students had to perform community service in return for the help they received (senior high students already perform community service work as part of their curriculum.) As part of our normal scholarship program, 87 students attended junior high school, 79 were in senior high and 10 went to a university or institute of technology. (students of higher education had sponsors.) The students received a backpack, school supplies, uniforms, uniform for physical education, school shoes and tennis shoes. They also were given money for their transportation to and from school, and we paid the tuition for students to senior high and university.

In a joint project with "Club Rotario Todos Santos/Rotary Club Coos Bay/North Bend/Rotary Foundation" 85 junior high students from another neighborhood received scholarships, minus the transportation money. In addition, at the request of the Secretary of Public Education and the Federal Agency for the Protection of Women and Children we purchased uniforms, backpacks and school shoes for 69 students. Money for this program was received from individual sponsors, from Trinity Lutheran Church in Vancouver, Washington, Reinhart Family Foundation and International Community Foundation in San Diego, California; St. Peter and Paul Church in Sacramento, California; and Club Cruceros de La Paz.

**Child Psychologist** Dulce Anyra Cota Salazar and students of psychology from a local university interact between the scholarship students, the schools which they attend, and FANLAP. They review the students' progress with teachers and social workers to see that the students work to their capacity. .

Dulce also directed workshops which were held in two grade schools in La Paz, "Escuela Primaria Gustavo Díaz Ordaz" and the "Escuela Primaria Jeronimo Ahumada", where 50 children who had emotional problems were seen by students of child psychology at two local universities.

She also conducted a workshop for adolescents in Laguna Azul.

**Agreements with local Universities:** We have an agreement with "El Centro Ericksoniano de México campus La Paz", to provide psychotherapy clinics in the neighborhoods in which we concentrate. We also have an agreement with "Universidad Mundial" where child psychology students work with "our" children as part of their community service work, and to fulfill their career apprenticeships.

**In March a fundraiser was held to benefit FANLAP** during the first World Peace conference in La Paz, directed by "El Centro Integral y de Desarrollo Humano" (CICYDH), with the International Circus "Collectif Nomade." Performers came from Canada, France, Argentina and Mexico. The event "Le Bestiare|Eticelant" took place at

Marina de La Paz; profits were used in our scholarship program. In addition, the performers held two workshops for the children in Colonia Laguna Azul.

Thanks to Matilde Cervantes Navarrete of CICYDH, Daniele Lenoble of Collectif Nomade and Dulce Salazar Cota for organizing this event.

**English classes for junior and senior high students:** Profesor Domingo Agundez Lucero, an English teacher at various schools in La Paz, began to give English classes each Saturday morning. These classes were paid for by Terry Henchy, through International Community Foundation. Some English-speaking volunteers helped Domingo with his classes.

**Newsletter:** An issue of our Newsletter came out in May and in November this year, in both English and Spanish. Mary Shroyer is in charge of the Newsletter.

**Workshop of “Capoeira” in Colonia Laguna Azul:** Josué Cruz gave a class in Brazilian dance/karate three days a week to several teenagers from the colonias. The workshop went from April through November, and was greatly enjoyed by the students.

**A Summer Workshop** was held for three weeks in July, as part of the Library Extensión Program, conducted by Biologist Alejandro Armas Martín del Campo and Prof. Alejandro Cuellar Marquez, working with the Family Development arm of the Municipal Government. Thirty children from the neighborhoods of Laguna Azul, Márquez de Leon, Vista Hermosa and Villas de Guadalupe, listened to advice from the Firemen about fire prevention, had a painting and a reading workshop, made puppets and put on a show at the end of the workshop. This program and others will continue each year as part of the programs offered by the government as part of their library system.

**Centro Comercial Californiano (CCC)**, a local grocery store, manages a “Redondeo” a program where clients may donate the small change (the equivalent of pennies and nickels) left from their purchases. Starting in October, FANLAP was one of the beneficiaries of this program.

CCC also has a points program where clients are given a card with a number, and for every 5 dollars spent the buyer receives one point worth 40 cents. We have given out over 250 cards with the client number of FANLAP so customers may donate their points to our cause. We then apply those points toward our purchases needed for the lunch program.

**Authorization to give tax deductible receipts:** “Hacienda” (the Mexican Internal Revenue Service) gave us authorization to give tax-deductible receipts, good in Mexico, for money donations and for donations in kind. American 501 C 3 tax-deductible receipts are given through International Community Foundation.

**Dental Surgeon Dr. Dane Smith** from Oregon performed dental services for children and some adults the week of October 23-27. He worked with Dentist Carlos David Preciado from the State and Municipal Health Center and Dr. Roberto Ávila from Hospital Salvatierra; the team saw 162 patients. Dr. Víctor Manuel Díaz, a local childrens’ dentist, also donated a day of his time to work with Dr. Smith.

Dr. Smith is a member of Coos Bay/North Bend Rotary Club, and he works with Club Rotario de La Paz Fundador, Club Rotario Todos Santos/Bahia La Paz, Club Rotario Balandra and FANLAP to bring dental care to those who can’t afford to pay for care. Thanks to the help of all, these children and their parents can now smile without embarrassment.

In January 2007, Dr. Orr and Dr. Soder, acquaintances of Dr. Dane Smith,

worked in the same site, where they treated more than 150 children and adults.

**The “Subasta” put on by Club Cruceros de La Paz** in the installations of Marina de La Paz to benefit FANLAP took place on Sunday, December 2 from 9:00 to 4:00. This event was again a success, having taken in about US\$11,500. These funds are used to support our lunch program in Colonia Laguna Azul.

**INCOME AND EXPENSES  
FANLAP - YEAR ENDING  
2007  
10.5 PESOS X 1 DOLLAR  
U.S.**

<b>Income</b>	<b>Pesos</b>	<b>Dollars</b>
Donations, not including through ICF	115528.00	11002.67
Donations, through ICF	420,000.00	40,000.00
Club Cruceros' Subasta	154,677.18	14,731.16
Rotary Foundation	133,612.50	12,725.00
Reinhart Family Foundation	262,500.00	25,000.00
Circus in March	16,340.00	1,556.19
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>1,102,657.68</b>	<b>105,015.02</b>
<b>Expenses</b>		
Breakfast program	26,912.65	2,563.11
Lunch program	125,154.21	11,919.45
Building Expenses	22,533.39	2,146.04
Christmas	31,184.45	2,969.95
Scholarships	767,788.99	73,122.76
Employees (librarian and English teacher)	44,785.48	4,265.28
Workshops (psychology and CAPOIERA)	6,154.06	586.10
Bank Charges	6,404.72	609.97
General operating expenses	11,840.17	1,127.63
<b>Total Disbursements</b>	<b>1,042,758.12</b>	<b>99,310.29</b>

THANK YOU FOR YOUR INTEREST IN THE CHILDREN OF LA PAZ.

JUDITH A. PETERSON, PRESIDENT  
DULCE ANYRA COTA SALAZAR, SECRETARY