



Your CIELO de Amor Update • May 2016



New Vocational Opportunities for Youth!

In January 2016 Esther, a Swiss occupational therapist joined us part time to start a vocational training project for youth with disabilities. She is training Miriam to continue the project in the future. We currently have 5 youth crocheting recycled plastic bags into useful items, and are baking bread, making sandwiches and juices.

children and adults in la Concha and neighboring towns. We provided everything from simple chairs for seniors to chairs specially designed for dirt roads, and for children without head control.



We are committed to following up on wheelchair fittings, and are now working with children from our March 2015 distribution to make repairs and adjustments as children grow!

More Photos on Facebook!

Meet Elias!



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When Elias first came to CIELO de Amor, he had few words, could not walk, would only work with Wilmer, hit adults, threw items frequently, and had limited attention for learning.

With special education support, biweekly physical therapy (PT), and practice using braces and a walker, he's made great progress!

Elias will now work with all the staff, talks and loves to sing, is engaged in a variety of activities, and is excited to walk with one hand held. The Physiatrist has said PT services could be reduced, as his walking has improved so much.

children, many more appropriate low cost materials, and more strategies to use with each child.

Thank you, Sandy!



You Can Make a Difference!



- Are you a **physical therapist** with experience in pediatrics, fitting wheelchairs, and knowledge about equipment and bracing? We'd love to host you for a month or longer!
- We are also seeking help for our **fall fundraiser** and experienced **grant writers**.

Volunteer Today!

Donate Now!

- Your **one-time donation** can help fund building an accessible playground, or supplies for our new vocational project.
- We are tremendously thankful to our 31 **sustaining monthly donors** who help provide full-time salary and benefits for our fabulous four local staff - truly the heart and soul of CIELO de Amor. **Become a sustaining donor** and help us reach our goal of 60 monthly donors!

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¡Gracias! Thank you!

...for being part of our CIELO de Amor community!

~ Ruth Weinberg, Director, and the CIELO de Amor Staff

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