

2016 IMPACT REPORT

La Casa Hogar connects and educates Latina immigrant families, to transform lives and our Yakima Valley.



Adult Education: includes English, pre-GED, Spanish literacy, computer literacy, drivers' education, women's support groups, health & nutrition.



Early Learning Center (ELC): educates children ages 2-5 and their parents using the Creative Curriculum and STEM learning.



Citizenship Education and Naturalization: recognized by the Department of Justice, La Casa offers citizenship education and naturalization legal services. Over **650** people have become U.S. Citizens since 2012.

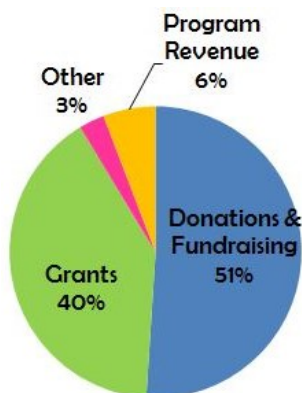
"One of my favorite organizations is La Casa Hogar. They do more with a dollar than any organization I know. The dedication they show is very inspirational. If you have never seen La Casa Hogar you should visit."

-Supporter of La Casa Hogar

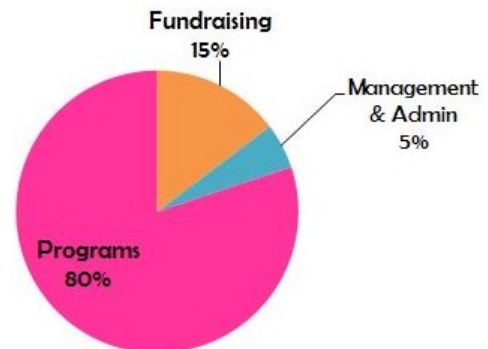
Quick Facts

- In 2016, **500+** families participated at La Casa Hogar.
- **98%** of La Casa's students have less than a 12th grade education in their native countries.
- **72%** of students have lived in the U.S. for 10 years or more
- **100%** of students are motivated to cultivate education and skills for success.

2016 Income:
\$401,811



2016 Expenses:
\$324,687





**Claudia,
 U.S. Citizen**

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Claudia was born in Colima, located in central-western Mexico. She has lived in the United States for more than 24 years and became a lawful permanent resident in October of 2013. Claudia has worked in warehouses picking cherries and is a caregiver for her children and her family members' children.

Not being fluent in English, Claudia struggled learning the English portion of the naturalization test. Twice a week for two hours, she committed to practicing reading and writing sentences in English, and studying the 100 U.S. history and government questions.

She worked tirelessly to study and prepare for her naturalization interview, devoting both time and effort to achieve a her goal. On March 10, 2017, Claudia became a United States Citizen. As a naturalized U.S. citizen, she feels more confident and proud of herself. As Claudia reflects on her journey to become a United States citizen, she shares:

“I did not know what I was capable of. Citizenship classes and programs at La Casa Hogar helped me academically, emotionally, and socially. During my free time, I enjoy reading and I have found a loving and caring community in Yakima Valley. I have met wonderful people throughout the citizenship classes, from volunteers, teachers, and instructors. My words of encouragement for people starting their naturalization process, is to have hope, patience, work hard, and do not get discouraged. The journey is not easy, but your time and sacrifice is all worth it at the end. I am grateful to La Casa Hogar and all the volunteers who assisted me during the process of becoming a U.S. Citizen.”

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A Note from our Executive Director...

Gracias querido Valle de Yakima! Thank you Yakima Valley! Su energía, apoyo, dinero, y tiempo significa que **más de 500 familias** recibieron educación y comunidad en 2016. Your energy, support, money, and time means that over **500 families** received education and community.

