
FACTS about Bolivia, Foundation Arco Iris, Hospital Arco Iris, HOPE worldwide LTD, HOPE worldwide Bolivia

BOLIVIA

- Bolivia is the third poorest country in the Western Hemisphere, second poorest country in South America
- Bolivia has a population of approximately 12 million
- Over 50% of the population lives below the international poverty line of \$2 USD/day
- The maternal and infant mortality rate is almost 8 times higher than the USA
- The divorce rate in Bolivia is approaching 75% - a crises in marriage and family

FOUNDATION ARCO IRIS (FAI)

- Founded over 20 years ago by a German Catholic Priest – Padre José Neuenhofer
- FAI serves the estimated 30,000 children who live and/or work in the streets of La Paz
- Programs provide housing, food, clothing and shelter to over 300 orphans yearly
- 4 orphanages, multiple day-care centers, social services, meals for children, vocational programs and educational programs, 160 employees, 17 programs, 900 children fed daily, 1500 children receive educational support yearly
- Over 4000 children receive social, psychological or legal assistance yearly
- No financial assistance comes from Bolivia national or local government (FAI is actually taxed)
- 1.2 million dollar annual budget - 100% dependent on donations

HOSPITAL ARCO IRIS (HAI)

- Founded over 10 years ago
- Over 180,000 medical consultations provided yearly, 12,000 visits monthly
 - 90% of these are for the poor, 60% of these are for children
 - Over 75,000 consultations are free (\$1.5 million USD), mostly provided by the mobile medical units
- 8,000 hospitalizations, 3,000 surgeries, 1,500 births yearly
- 3 million dollar budget – striving just to break even
- Minimal governmental and international financial assistance
- Recognized and awarded for outstanding excellence, quality and service to the poor

HOPE worldwide International LTD

- Founded in 1991
- A faith-based relief and development organization with a mission to serve the poor and needy world-wide
- Located in over 70 countries and 6 continents
- Mobilizes over 60,000 volunteers yearly
- Serves over 2.5 million people yearly
- Has a special consultative status with the United Nations

HOPE worldwide BOLIVIA

- Team of professionals who have left careers and sold homes to move, live, volunteer and work in Bolivia permanently
- Health:
 - Primary goal is to create financial stability and sustainability of the charitable work of HAI (above)
 - Creating a non-profit international ambulatory healthcare center as part of a sustainable social enterprise
 - Building capacity – leadership development, telemedicine, patient safety, nurse training
 - Developing Bolivia's first nursing assistant program (allowing street children and orphans medical training)
 - Developing Home Health, Same Day Surgery, EMS training, Trauma Registry, Hospital CME
 - Coordinates collaborative academic partnerships, media exposure, fundraising and donations from overseas
- Social Services:
 - Developed and maintain a Sala de Juegos and Play Therapy for the pediatric population of HAI
 - Implemented an early childhood development educational initiative for the parents of these children
 - Serves impoverished families identified by FAI throughout the year
 - Mobilizes volunteers locally and internationally to serve