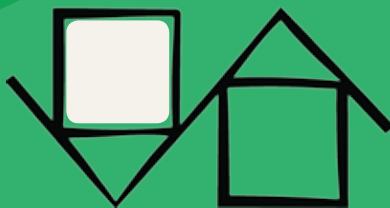




From Houses to Homes

Impact Report 2017



A Note from our Executive Director

As we completed our 13th year, we have much to be grateful for at From Houses to Homes. In 2017, despite being faced with many challenges, it was still a year of growth and positive change for many of the communities we serve in Guatemala.

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I would like to thank you for being part of the From Houses to Homes family.

We ended the year with exciting news: we secured a \$25,000 grant from the Grousemont Foundation, which enables us to partner with New Course. One part of our Mother and Child Program is to provide health services and training to elementary school children and their mothers at our school, Escuela Kemna'oj.

This grant will allow all our students and their mothers to receive the care and education needed for all of 2018 (medical care, eye assessments, nutrition assistance, etc.). The impact we hope to see is that our students and mothers will maintain a positive health status, which will decrease absenteeism. If children are sick and unable to attend school, they may just leave school permanently.

I hope that our 2017 report will provide a clear image of the impact your support has had on so many, as well as our plans for 2018. With the combination of a safe and secure home, good health, and education, we hope to see these families follow their dreams and break the cycle of poverty.

Thank you again





“Creating Pathways out of Poverty: Safe Housing, Education, & Healthcare”



Housing Project

In 2017 we were able to give 137 families' a safe and sustainable home. We built our first home in the very poor community of Yalu with 9 more homes scheduled to be built in 2018. The need there is great, so we are looking forward to bringing increased change to that community and others.

We partnered with El Amor de Patricia, who not only support our house-building efforts in Yalu but also oversees The Bunk Bed Project® which provides bunk beds for families within Guatemala. From Houses to Homes has partnered with them to ensure families in our communities receive a comfortable bed rather than sleeping on the floor.



6 PUEBLOS

1 HOMES
San José Yalu



60 HOMES
Pastores

5 HOMES
Santa Catarina Barahona

25 HOMES
San Lorenzo de Cuba

39 HOMES
San Antonio Aguas Calientes

7 HOMES
Santa Maria de Jesus

Escuela Kemna'Oj

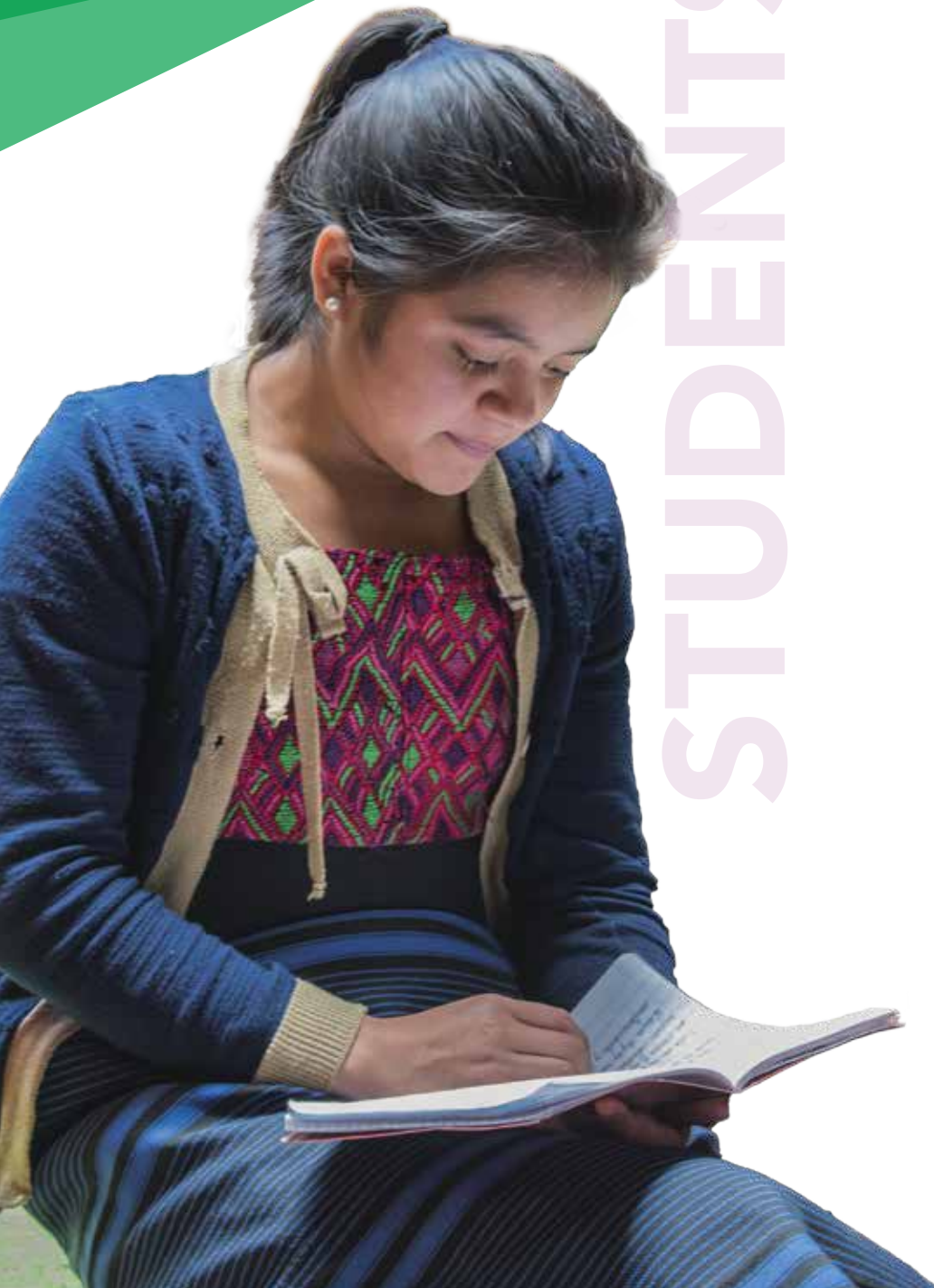
Escuela Kemna'Oj saw 161 students out of 169 move up to the next grade, with 70 of them being female. Our continuing focus supports education for girls in a country where, sadly, inequality is prevalent, especially for indigenous females who are the most disadvantaged and vulnerable group.

2018 will mark our first year of graduating 9th grade students. We will be busy securing further education options for all of our graduates who choose to continue their education into high school.

We ended 2017 with 98 students sponsored but we have big plans for 2018 and will launch an online campaign to encourage people to sponsor a student from our school.



STUDENTS



13
LEFT SCHOOL

98 SPONSORED



A Student's Story

Radai Estras Yuman Pio



Radai is 8 years old and has attended our school Kemna'oj since Pre-K but has had to repeat 1st grade. His brother Wilson is 10 years old and also attends our school.

Their family has a From Houses to Homes house but it's been a difficult year for their entire family: Their younger brother was just 4-years-old when he died in October from childhood cancer after having been diagnosed just one year prior.

Radai and his family miss him more than they can put into words and Radai probably struggled the most with the loss of his brother.



Earning very little and needing help, From Houses to Homes provided the family with counseling, free access to our medical clinic, monthly groceries and both boys attended school when they could.

From Houses to Homes work closely with everyone we support and with a safe place to live, with an education and with adequate health care, our goal is to create pathways out of poverty.

This particular family's circumstances have been particularly hard and it is with the donations that are received that we are able to help them the best we can.

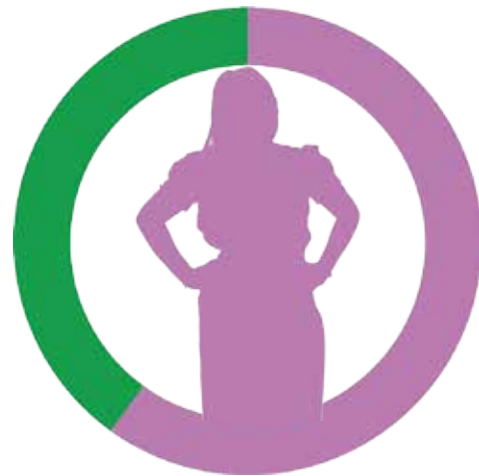
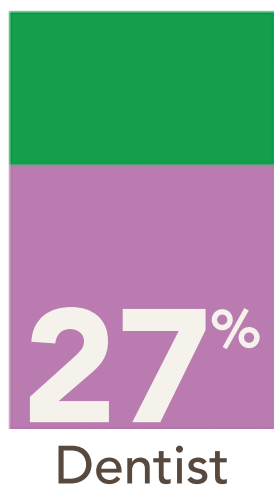


**Thank
you for
changing
the lives
of children
like Radai!**

San José Medical Clinic

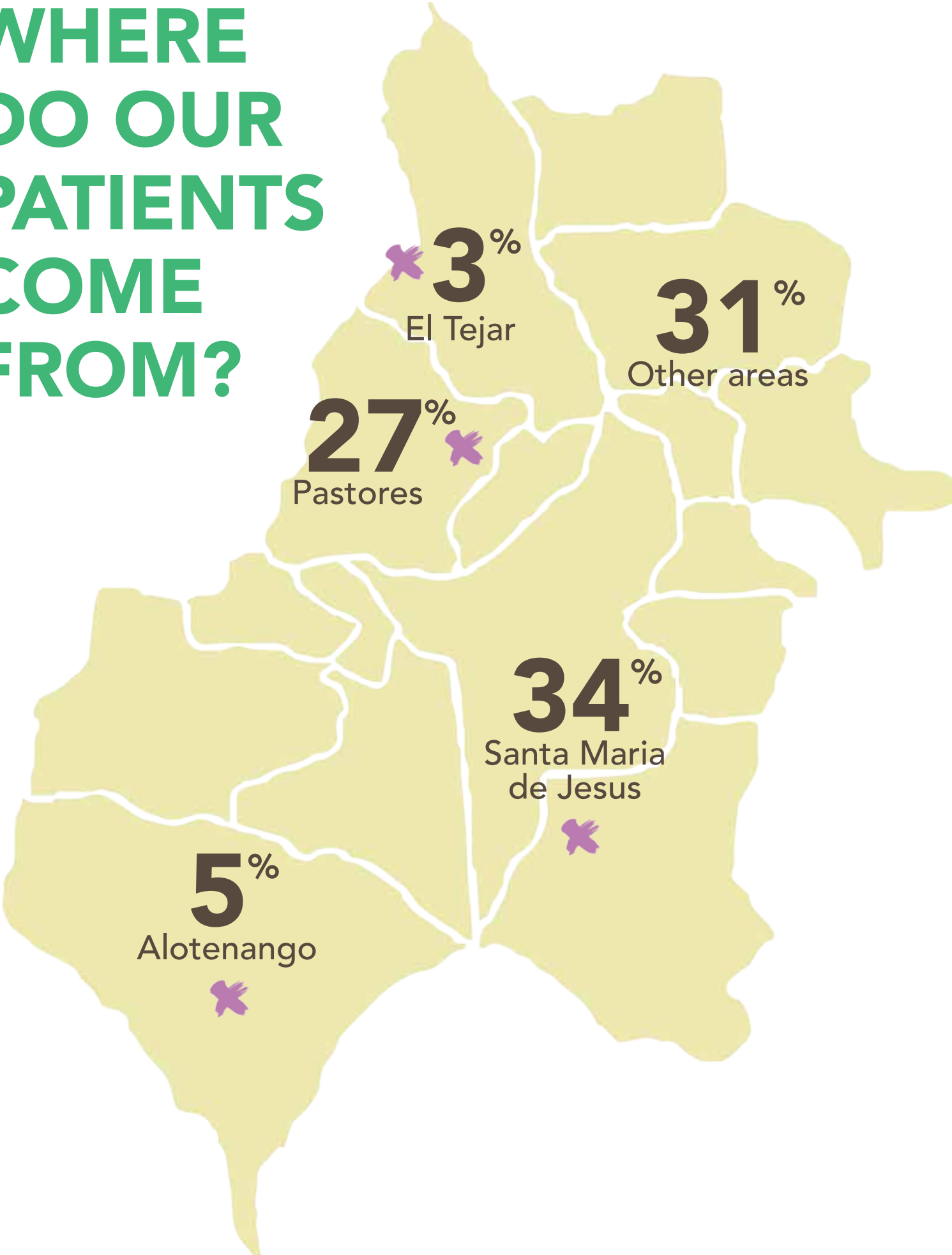
We were thrilled to receive a donation to purchase a minivan to keep the families in Santa Maria de Jesus from denying themselves health care because of the cost and the time to travel back and forth to the medical clinic at Pastores by bus. Many of our families have a daily income of about \$3.50 to feed their families, making bus travel prohibitive. In 2018, the minivan will be used to transport adults and children to receive the medical care they need.

**SERVING NEARLY
5000 PATIENTS**



**OVER 65% OF ALL PATIENTS
FEMALE**

WHERE DO OUR PATIENTS COME FROM?





Make an Impact

It takes five days to build a home from start to finish. Over the past year we had 735 volunteers help us build houses. We welcome you to join us and immerse yourself in village life.

Join us on your own or as a family, school or mission group.

“Holding this key in my hand means so much. I have never had one. I have only ever dreamed of this for my family and now my dream has come true”

**5 DAYS
+
\$500
=**



YOU CAN BE THE DIFFERENCE: BE A SPONSOR

- Sponsor a student for 6 months: \$360
- Sponsor a student for 12 months:
\$60/month or \$720 for a year
- Sponsor a student with 3 other
people: \$15/ Month

SUPPORT OUR MEDICAL CLINIC

The average cost per patient visit is around \$30 and every month for us to have a general practitioner but to also offer dental and gynecology care it costs around \$16,000 (physicians, nurses, support personnel, supplies, medicines etc.).



How to Donate

- Check (payable to
From Houses to Homes)
- Online
- Corporate Matching Funds
- Gift of Stock
- Amazon Smile
- Planned Giving

For more information, go online:
<http://www.fromhousestohomes.org/donate/>

or email Jody Baker at:
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See how we use the money
you donate.



**TOTAL
EXPENSES**

27%
Escuela
Kemna'Oj

11%
USA
Admin
fees

\$812,365 US DOLLARS

41%

Home-
Building
Project



21%

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THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT!

