COUNTRY FACTS
Area: 49,998 square miles – slightly smaller than New York state
Population: 6,085,213 (July 2018 est.)
Languages: Spanish, English and indigenous languages on the Atlantic Coast
Issues: Earthquakes, volcanoes, landslides, extremely susceptible to hurricanes

DISCOVER NPH NICARAGUA
Since December 2011, all the children have been living at Casa Padre Wasson in Jinotepe. Prior to that, children under age 7 lived in San Jorge, and the rest on Ometepe Island. An earthquake and volcanic activity on the island caused a temporary evacuation of the home in August 2005, and due to ongoing safety concerns, new property was acquired and all of the children from both sites were eventually relocated.

NPH NICARAGUA FACTS
Opened: May 10, 1994
Location: Along the Pan American Highway in Jinotepe, Carazo, 45 minutes southwest of Managua
Features: School (grades K - 11); vocational workshops; sports courts; clinic; farms and greenhouses; fully independent water system, including a tower, two wells, two sewage treatment plants and a recycling system. A “semi-internal” program allows children to live on site Monday - Friday to attend school.

*Includes children and youth fully supported, community children, youths and adults who receive support by either attending our onsite schools, receive scholarships, receive in-kind donations and or medical/social services.
DID YOU KNOW?

- The National Director is an *hermano mayor* ("older brother"), who was raised at NPH Honduras.
- A folkloric dance and music group performs locally and in the U.S.
- The farms have a variety of fruits and vegetables, as well as chickens, cows, fish and pigs.
- The wastewater treatment system works without electricity or chemicals and the treated water can be used for irrigation of green areas, gardens and agricultural programs.
- In 2017, approximately 500 solar panels were installed on the rooftops of the vocational workshops and the cafeteria. It is expected that this will save the home up to 30% in energy costs, or nearly $2,000 per month, and puts NPH at the forefront of sustainable, solar energy in Nicaragua.
- The Samaritan Project at Casa Samaritano on Ometepe Island and at Casa Padre Wasson provides occupational and physical therapy, medical and psychological care, food baskets and more for special needs children in the community.
- The vocational workshops offer certification in shoe-making, sewing, residential electricity, welding, computers, and English.
- Construction of the secondary school was completed in 2017. It includes eight classrooms, a lab and a library.
- In 2018, a tutoring program was developed for community students who could not travel to school because of civil unrest.