

Every Child Deserves to Learn

SOS Children’s Villages places a High value on Education

Every child deserves an education. But millions of children around the world are denied this basic right. Globally, an estimated 250 million children are neither literate nor numerate. Through education and lifelong learning the cycle of exclusion, poverty, domestic violence and family breakdown can be stopped. For children who do have access to education it can mean the difference between a lifetime of struggle and success.



For many children living in Esteli, Nicaragua, basic school supplies are an impossible luxury

It’s an unfortunate fact that children in the developing world are at a disadvantage when it comes to getting an education. You can help smooth the transition back into the classroom this September By supporting young learners in Esteli, Nicaragua pursue their dream of education by removing common barriers to a successful education.

Please support Miss Universe Canada. Here are a few examples of how your support will help the children of SOS Esteli.

\$30	Provide a child with the school supplies they need for a full year.
\$100	Equip a child with uniforms for the school year
\$300	Supply a classroom with equipment and resources like books, pencils, paper, notebooks, rulers and more for a full year
\$400	Cover a full year’s tuition for a vulnerable child
\$1,000	Outfit a classroom with needed upgrades - furniture- desks, chalkboard
\$4,000	Cover a full year’s tuition for ten vulnerable children

SOS Children’s Villages is driven by the belief that no child should be left behind. Your contribution goes a long way in ensuring that all children living in marginalized communities like Esteli receive the quality education they are entitled to.





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Miss Universe Canada supports SOS Children's Villages to improve the lives of vulnerable children in Esteli Nicaragua by providing the educational tools needed for their success.

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"My parents were absolutely central in my happiness and success as an adult. They gave me love and encouragement, advice and values, a wonderful education...all the tools I needed to succeed in life."

This is exactly what SOS Children's Villages provides to their children! SOS is there to give them the tools they need to have futures filled with hope and opportunity."

Natalie Glebova

Miss Universe Canada & Miss Universe

You Can Make a Difference in Esteli, Nicaragua

Nicaragua is the largest country in Central America. Torn apart by political instability, civil war, poverty, and natural disasters, Nicaragua's tumultuous history, has had adverse effects that can still be seen today. Today, Nicaragua is the poorest country in Latin America, with 30 percent of its population living on less than \$2 a day. In a country with such high poverty levels, it is not surprising that children in and around the city of Esteli find themselves out of school and in the workplace in hopes of assisting their families financially. It is estimated that 500,000 Nicaraguan children aged 3-17 are not in the educational system. SOS Children's Villages work in Esteli began in 1972 after a devastating earthquake left much of the region ravaged. Since, then SOS has been offering support in a multitude of capacities:



Strengthened families: SOS Social Centers provide vulnerable families with access to services such as day-care, enabling parents to support their children, keeping more families together, while reducing child labour within communities.

Care in SOS families: Children who have lost parental care can find a safe home with a loving SOS Mother to care for them and ensure their needs are met.

Education: 1,700 students from the area are taught at both primary and secondary levels.

Support for young people: Through mentoring, coaching and vocational training programs, SOS youth develop skills that foster healthy relationships, academic success and future employability. SOS Children's Villages, holistic approach in the welfare and protection of children, works to ensure that they are safe from violence, persecution, and exploitation. SOS successfully restores the balance in life for abandoned and orphaned children, by uplifting them when crisis brings them down, guiding, sheltering and equipping them with the capacity to thrive while on the road from childhood to adulthood.



SOS Children's Villages Changes Lives

- SOS Children's Villages is an independent, non-governmental, non-denominational organization working to meet the needs of the most at-risk children and families in the world.
- Annually, SOS programs support 2.2 million children, youth and families in 134 countries.
- By enabling access to education and training, SOS opens a world of life-changing opportunities for the world's most marginalized populations.

Worldwide SOS Children's Villages operates 656 educational programs where 297,000 children and youth receive education and job training.

