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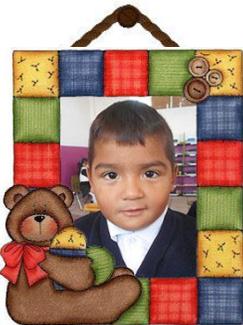


If you want to help for a day, give them rice;
If you want to help for a while, give them a tree;
If you want to help for an eternity, give them an education

Meet a Few Students from Our School in Tijuana, BC, Mexico

Responsibility schools are located in areas where the government doesn't provide education. In Tijuana, we are the only preschool / kindergarten for the children of the old Tijuana municipal dump. These are the autobiographies of a few of our students.

JESUS FERNANDO NERI ESPARZA



I am 4 years old and when I was born, a little sister was born with me, we are twins. Since then we are together all the time. When we come to school we are in the same room with Profe Jaime. He teaches us many things. He tells us that we have to pay close attention in the classroom but above all we have a lot of fun. My mother tells me that when I was born I had problems in my throat and my vocal cords were damaged. I was also born with leg problems and that is why I can't walk very well. I hope when I grow up I can run like other children. I like to eat everything my mother says and that is why I am chubby. When I grow up I want to be a teacher and teach children to read and write but also have fun as I am doing now.

BRITHANI MEGARA MENCHACA GOMEZ

I am 4 years old and I really like school. My dad says that since I started talking I already wanted to come to kindergarten with my sister Genesis Nahomi who was also in this kindergarten, but now she is in elementary school. I miss my mom very much because she doesn't live with us anymore. Now we see her very little. My Aunt Gladiola takes care of us. She brings me to kindergarten, feeds me and helps me do my homework. I play with my sister in the afternoons after doing our homework and picking up our room. We play dolls and run a lot. I like to eat everything. When I grow up, I want to be an actress and be in the movies and on television.



IKER ARMANDO ESPINOZA CONTRERAS



I'm 4 years old. I have 2 brothers named Henry and Jesus (we call him Chuy.) My parent's names are Evelyn and Fidel. My house is made of wood and very small, I have many dogs and I like to play with them when I leave school. I go to kindergarten in the morning and I have many friends. I play legos with them. My favorite foods are rice and beans with tortillas.

JADE GARCIA JUAREZ

I live next to the school with my mom and dad. I play a lot with my cousin Zeus who is with me in the classroom. We both go to school together. I have a dog, Bingo. He is white and very large. I like to eat a lot. My favorite foods are eggs and beans with bread. In the classroom my professor teaches us colors, numbers, and shapes. When we go to gym class with Profe Felipe, we jump and run and play sports. Profe Felipe also teaches us how to use computers and this is my favorite class. When I grow up, I would like to study and work with computers. My favorite toy is Princess Sofia and stuffed animals.





AMBAR YISEEL VAZQUEZ AGUIRRE

My name is Ambar Yissel. I am 5 years old. I live with my grandparents, my aunt, my mom and my mom's boyfriend who is very good to me. He is like another dad to me. My dad went to heaven when I was a little girl. When I grow up, I would like to be an astronaut to be able to go to heaven and be closer to my dad.

CESAR GARCIA MARTINEZ

My name is Cesar and I am 5. October 29 is my birthday. I am in kindergarten. I live with my dad, my mom and my younger brother. I like to play robots, Legos, and anything else you can use to build things. When I grow up I would like to be a firefighter or teacher. I see that there are many children who do not go to school because they do not have money or clothes. That is why I tell my mother to give away what I no longer use.



ALISON ITZEL ALVARADO ESPINOZA

I am 5 years old. I live with my mother, a brother who is in second grade, and a baby sister. I really like coming to school. Last year I went to Profe Jaime's classroom and now I am in kindergarten with Profe Lili. I have learned many things and I really like working in my books and doing homework. I was born with a cleft lip, so I have a device on my palate to speak and a large scar on my lip and nose. Next month I will have a surgery to fix my palate. I will be in the hospital for a few days but I will return eager to do my classwork and homework and see my friends.



JOSE LUIS SEGOVIANO ALVARADO

I am 5 years old. I live with my half-sister and her mom. But I call her mom because my mom died and my dad is in jail, so I don't have anyone else. My mom is very good to me and I have 2 sisters who are her daughters. She brings me to school and I really like to come because my teacher Lili teaches me many new things and now I have many friends. I like to learn new things and in my house my mother speaks to us only in English because she lived in the United States and she wants the whole family to learn to speak in both English and Spanish. I have learned a lot.



Sincerely, *David Lynch, The Board of Directors, Teachers, and the Students*

