





Proyecto Pastoral's mission is to empower the community of Boyle Heights through grassroots projects in education, leadership, and service.











### Proyecto Executive Director Cynthia Sanchez and Board Chairperson Brian Albert



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Esperanza Vazquez, Emeritus In 2016, Proyecto Pastoral reached an important milestone in our history: the **30th Anniversary** of our organization's founding! We are proud to share our 2016-2017 Annual Report with you, and highlight the work made possible through the support and partnership of **friends like you**.

Thirty years ago, community residents **came together** with the California Province of Jesuits to take action and build the community they wished to see for future generations. The strength of those founding members set a course for the community to continue to build positive change today.

At Proyecto we "work with our hearts for social change." This means that homeless residents are supported in regaining stability, youth off track are giving holistic support to work through obstacles, and resources are identified to meet our community's needs. Our work prepares young children for kindergarten and educates parents on how best to support their child's development. Youth of all ages have educational enrichment opportunities year-round, and community residents gain leadership skills to support their goals for the community. With many partners, Promesa Boyle Heights continues to expand the cradle to career pipeline of supports for local youth.

We thank you for your support and partnership in making this work possible, and invite you to celebrate the community's progress and accomplishments with us!

Yours,

Cynthia Sanchez

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## 2016-2017 Highlights





2016 Annual Gala

20th Annual Women's Conference









2017 Annual Board Party Benefitting GHP



## THE GUADALUPE HOMELESS PROJECT

Each night 45 men and 15 senior aged women receive shelter, meals and case management through the Guadalupe Homeless Project operated in partnership with Dolores Mission Church & School. As the homeless crisis has advanced, the LA Times reported a dramatic increase in homelessness within Latino communities. GHP has teams of generous volunteers who prepare and serve meals each night, and partner organizations provide mental health, health and housing services. In 2017, GHP began preparing to add a new program component, Rapid Rehousing, in partnership with LAMP/The People Concern.



Throughout the year, **Comunidad en Movimiento** leaders organized clean up days targeting neighborhood streets, alleys and parks in need of attention. Partner organizations included:

- Vision Zero Alliance
- Multicultural Communities for Mobility
- From Lot to Spot
- Los Angeles Walks
- Los Angeles Bicycle Coalition
- AARP
- CA Walks
- Boyle Heights Neighborhood Council
- City Council District 14
- LAPD's Hollenbeck Division
- Metro



# Service

### La Tiendita/The Distribution Center

GHP's clothing distribution center, provides free clothing to shelter residents and at very low cost to community residents. The Distribution Center also provides work experience to shelter residents.



# Education

Proyecto Pastoral supports high quality education and youth development opportunities through our 2 state-funded Early Childhood Education Centers and our IMPACTO Youth Development programs, which include after-school, summer camp, sports & recreation and Academic Case Management for neighborhood youth.

As the backbone organization for the 30+ organizations that form the Promesa Boyle Heights collaborative, Proyecto is leading efforts that are transforming our local schools.







### **IMPACTO**

grew enrollment in every aspect of the program, and expanded Academic Case Management to a second school, Roosevelt High School.

## **IMPACTO** provided:

- Summer Camp- a free 5 week program for 180 youth; After-School: serving Dolores Mission School, Aliso Pico Recreation Center and Mendez High School
- Sports and recreation at Aliso Pico
   Recreation Center (soccer, baseball, softball,
   flag football, basketball, gymnastics, dance,
   music, and more)
- Academic Case Management: intensive support for students furthest behind in their studies at Roosevelt and Mendez High School.





### **ECECs**

Proyecto Pastoral operates two early Childhood Education Centers (La Guarderia and Centro de Alegria) serving 100 children annually with high quality programming. In 2016, the ECECs were awarded \$127k in capital improvements along with program materials and teacher professional development from Quality Start.

## Promesa Boyle Heights is a cradle to college and career pipeline of support for neighborhood youth.

Promesa's work at Mendez High School, Roosevelt High School and Hollenbeck Middle School has flourished. In December 2016, researchers at the Annenberg Institute for School Reform published a study of Promesa's exemplary parent leadership and engagement work in a report entitled "We Made a Promise."

In January 2017, AT&T announced a new investment of \$750k in Promesa's continued growth and expansion. In April 2017, Promesa partners celebrated the victory of their campaign to secure a commitment from LA Unified School District to construct a new school-based Wellness Center at Mendez High School that will serve the school and local community residents.

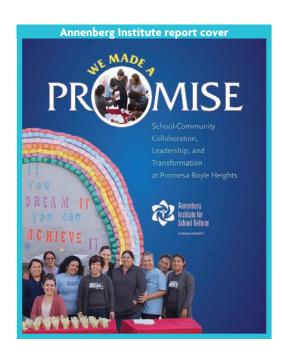
Promesa's **Early Education** team trained **365 East Los Angeles parents** to navigate local resources, learn techniques for managing stress and advocate for family programing in East LA parks.





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## Comunidad en Movimiento / Community In Action

Proyecto's Community Organizing effort, Comunidad en Movimiento/ Community In Action has held safety in our streets as a key concern since its launch. Neighborhood traffic patterns changed with the demolition of the Sixth Street Bridge, resulting in unsafe conditions for pedestrians, especially children and the elderly. CEM resident leaders took action to study the problem and propose solutions to the conditions on Fourth Street through a Pop Up Project with the Mayor's Great Streets Program. In the outreach process, CEM's resident leaders gathered valuable feedback from their neighbors on how to make our local streets safer for pedestrians.

The effort culminated on May 6, 2017 at a community event **Luchadores Unidos** during which residents tested street improvements and voted to prioritize the needs of the community.



# Leadership







### 20th Annual Women's Conference

Successful leaders invest time in connecting with others and learning new skills. This year marked the 20th Anniversary of our **Women's Conference**, a free day-long event to support women's leadership in the community. With inspiring words from Maria Elena Durazo to open the day, over 300 local women leaders took part in volunteer-led health & wellness workshops designed to support them.





## **Boyle Heights Immigration Network**

Proyecto Pastoral, Promesa Boyle
Heights and local partners mobilized to
support the community in the
environment of changing immigration
policies and enforcement practices.
With an anchor gift from California
Community Foundation, Promesa
launched Know Your Rights workshops,
Family Preparedness workshops and
referrals to information and
resources.

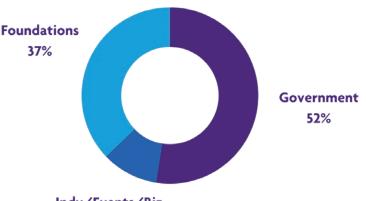


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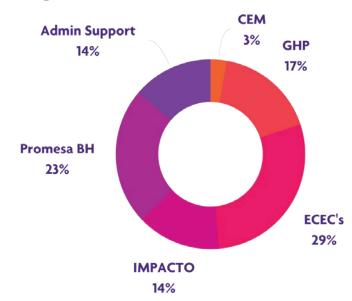
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## **Revenue Total: \$4,237,268**



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## **Expenses Total: \$4,041,601**



**Operating Expenses** 

Salaries/Benefits	\$2,963,570
Program Activities/Supplies	\$230,471
Professional Services	\$325,905
Rent/Utilities/Repairs	\$233,521
Depreciation	\$59,171
Other	\$228,963

**Operating Surplus (Deficit)** 

\$195,667

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