

# ANNUAL REPORT 2020



## Escuela de Carpinteria Riberas



## HAVE HAMMER WILL TRAVEL A.C.



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**. “It’s our goal to end the inequality crisis. We must build an economy of ordinary working people and give them life skills to succeed.”**

**Dear Friends and Colleagues:**

As we embark on our 13th anniversary, we continue to see persistent challenges. We are excited to share what we have been able to achieve during these uncertain times in this past year. The financial support and continued commitment from our donors allows us to continue our mission *“Teaching Mexican youth life skills through woodworking, carpentry and CAD”*. These past several months have been challenging for everyone as we respond to the COVID-19 health crisis. This past spring of 2020, we were forced to postpone our face to face programs. We had to postpone all face to face fundraising activities, which were expected to raise a significant amount of funds for our programs. Despite these challenges! The Have Hammer Will Travel A.C (HHWT) Board of Directors and volunteers personally continued to support our organization with generous cash donations of over \$195,000 pesos. We pivoted our operations to respond to the pressing needs of Have Hammer Will Travel A.C. in order to keep it operational. Unfortunately, with travel restrictions in place, we are uncertain what the future will hold. It is imperative that we continue to receive your support. As we know, persistent challenges are in front of us. In January 2021 the local Mexican government pushed the emergency button and shut everything down again. We will meet these challenges appropriately to help the underserved and the most vulnerable students in our communities. As leaders we are committed to filling gaps in education and life skills in the local community, ensuring that Mexican youths in 2021 will get the education and training they need and deserve. The Fourth Industrial Revolution has left gaps in existing learning systems and jobs requirements. With existing jobs becoming more competitive and new jobs being created online through technological innovations, millions of young people will be left behind. HHWT is addressing this gap by introducing our young students to online home-based CAD HHWT classroom with Tinkercad.com. They will do design a project in CAD and make it out of Wood. Most of our students do not have a computer, we will be doing everything we can to get them one at home in 2021, even if it is a donated used computer. HHWT’s goal is for students to cope, succeed and remain competitive in the future workplace. It is imperative to create opportunities for the development of core skills that are relevant in the new online work and education era. For these underprivileged students that we serve, HHWT opens a door and is the only step up for them to gain the basic acquisition of knowledge and capabilities to perform specialized tasks. We want to prepare our students to succeed in their workplace and find a secure job. We cannot do this alone! We thank you for your past and future generosity.

Letter from the HHWT Board of Directors

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# Have Hammer ... Will Travel

“ Teaching Mexican Youth Valuable Life Skills through Woodworking & Carpentry ”



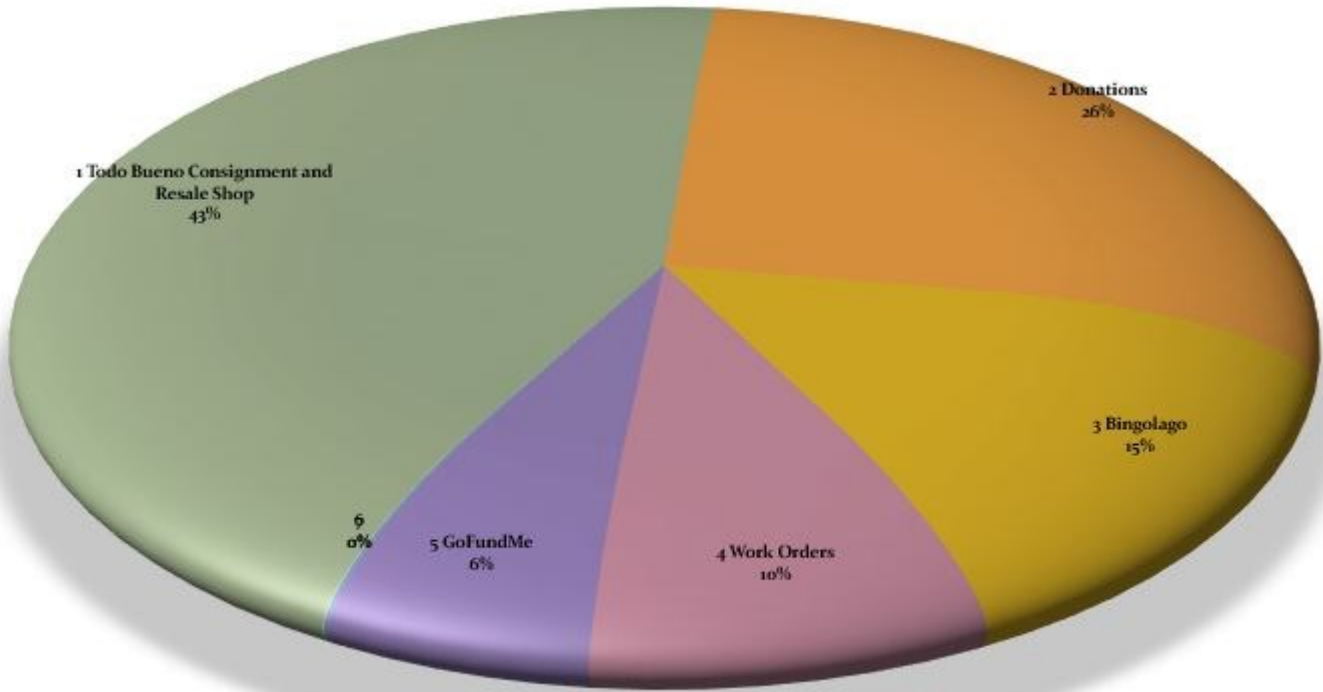
We taught students from Mama Cleo's Boys Home in Chapala to make their own 3 level bunkbed. The 3 boys were sleeping on the floor. They helped build it themselves. They will never forget this as long as they live. Each boy now has a bed to sleep in. HHWT volunteers raised the donations that provided pillows, sheets, mattresses, mattress covers, pillow cases and blankets, etc.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?>





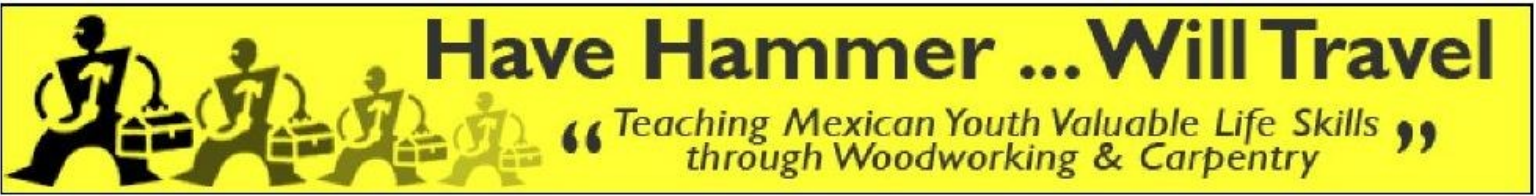
## HHWT 2020 INCOME



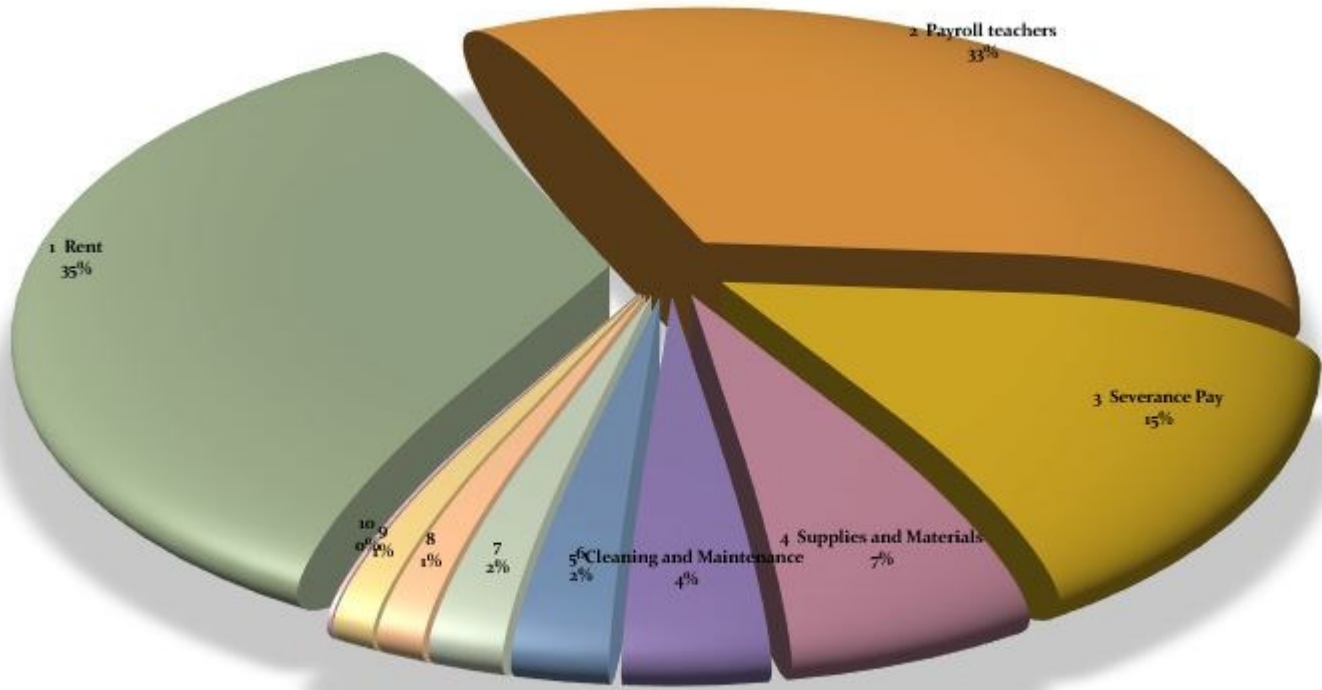
Asset Type	Amount Mexican Pesos	US Dollars
1 Todo Bueno Consignment and Resale Shop	\$ 322,636	\$ 16,981
2 Donations	\$ 195,957	\$ 10,314
3 Bingolago	\$ 109,117	\$ 5,743
4 Work Orders	\$ 71,898	\$ 3,784
5 GoFundMe	\$ 48,061	\$ 2,530
6 Student Tuition	\$ 1,000	\$ 53
7 Craft Sales	\$ 175	\$ 9
Total	\$ 748,844	\$ 39,413

Note: Exchange Rate 19 Pesos to US Dollar





## HHWT 2020 EXPENSES



**Important note: The only salaries paid are to our local Spanish speaking Mexican teacher and his assistant. All the administrative staff and officers are volunteers who donate their time and money to help the local school children.**

Asset Type	Amount Mexican Pesos	US Dollars
1 Rent	\$ 260,000	\$ 13,684
2 Payroll teachers	\$ 246,185	\$ 12,957
3 Severance Pay	\$ 110,000	\$ 5,789
4 Supplies and Materials	\$ 49,098	\$ 2,584
5 Cleaning and Maintenance	\$ 28,600	\$ 1,505
6 Tools, Equipment, etc	\$ 18,843	\$ 992
7 Accountant	\$ 14,752	\$ 776
8 Telmex	\$ 9,536	\$ 502
9. Legal Fees	\$ 8,500	\$ 447
10 CFE	\$ 963	\$ 51
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 746,477</b>	<b>\$ 39,288</b>

Note: Exchange Rate 19 Pesos to US Dollar



## Key Program Accomplishments in 2020

**1. We barely achieved our financial goals.** The board of directors of HHWT personally donated the extra funds that were needed to get through the Covid 19 crisis and uncertain year. Our income was \$748,844 Mexican pesos, in US Dollars \$39,413. Our expenses were \$746,477 Mexican pesos, in US dollars \$39,288. We had a profit of \$2,467 pesos. \$125 US dollars. As you can see, every donation and donor made a difference in 2020. The best news is that our donor retention is very high; our donors are dedicated. We have few weeks of reserve cash on hand.

**2. A large portion** of our overall expenses is rent.

**3. We setup a Gofundme** page for the first time, donations were \$2530 US dollars in 2020.

[.https://www.gofundme.com/f/zgeqgm-a-cause-i-care-about-needs-help](https://www.gofundme.com/f/zgeqgm-a-cause-i-care-about-needs-help)

**4. Globalgiving received** our completed application in December 2020 to join the April Accelerator online program. Globalgiving is a crowdfunding organization. This Mar 2021 we will know if we are accepted. <https://www.globalgiving.org/accelerator/>

**5. We updated** our legacy brochure with 3 new persons named HHWT in their will in 2020. *(See attached legacy brochure)*

**6. Our Students** from Mama Cleo's boy home, made a special project, a three level bunkbed. The three boys are not sleeping on the floor anymore and now each have a bed to sleep in. Click video link Below.

<http://havehammer.org/videos/>

**7. Lluvia Raygoza Venegas**, was given a scholarship and graduated the Preparatoria Regional de Chapala Dec 2020. *Click video link below.*

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9h8UGZaJbFI>

## A Look Ahead to The Year 2021

### The Strategic Plan is focused on the following initiatives:

- 1. To continue** to strengthen the effectiveness, collaborations and measured results of Have Hammer programs.
- 2. To bring** in new students from low income neighborhoods of the Lake Chapala area and increase their participation in our programs.
- 3. To strengthen** our current key partnerships and pursue new funding sources.
- 4. To increase** our reserves to six months. Including a funded account for employees severance required by Mexican law.
- 5. To deepen** community awareness of Have Hammer's mission and unique accomplishments.
- 6. To complete** the build out of our computer aided design classroom "CAD", It will help young people to cope, succeed and remain competitive in the future workplace, the 4th industrial revolution. It is imperative that opportunities are created for the development of core skills that are relevant in the new work and education era."
- 7. To get donated** 4 more solar panels.
- 8. To continue** a capital campaign to create a student endowment fund and purchase of the current building.

*We want to thank our teacher Eudaldo Robledo Ramos and assistant teacher Eduardo Ivan Robledo Romero for their support for students in 2020. . We had to cut our expenses in 2020. They were given severance pay. Experienced volunteers will be teaching the student classes in the first part of the 2020 semester.*





## Escuela de Carpinteria Riberas

# Lluvia Raygoza Venegas



Lluvia Raygoza Venegas who was a student at Have Hammer Will Travel A.C. woodworking and carpentry school for over 5 years.. Lluvia received several scholarships during those years to attend Escuela Preparatoria Regional De Chapala. It's a Mexican high school which was funded and sponsored by Have Hammer Will Travel A.C. woodworking school volunteers..

Rotary international sunrise Chapala also helped with scholarships. Lluvia will continue her education at local a university. Lluvia Graduated the Preparatoria in December 2020.



## Thank you to all our donors and volunteers

Miguel Angel Alvarez	Laura Diego	Lorne Hamblin	Ann Klestadt	Barry Pajak	Susan Strane
Theresa Archer	Steve Distante	Wendy Hamblin	Judith Krenr	Kate Pajak	Lyle Swanson
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# Thank you to all the organizations and local business that supported us.

Todo Bueno Consignment and Resale Store  
 St Andrews Anglican Church  
 Ajijic Rotary Club  
 Lake Chapala Society  
 Charters Tours Travel Agency  
 Maria Isabel Restaurant  
 Cinema Del Lago  
 Lakeside Little Theater  
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 American legion Chapala Post 7  
 Foundation for Lake Chapala Charities  
 Diane Pearl Colecciones  
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Galo De Allende Goat Farm  
 Cremas de Mezcal Artesanales  
 Sweets And Treats Chocolate shop  
 Chapala Sunrise Rotary Club  
 Fountain Hills Rotary Club  
 Ajijic Real Estate  
 Casa Tres Leones B&B  
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 Ojo Del Lago  
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**In Memory**  
 Joe Schwartz  
 Grace Wood  
 Sandy Owens  
 Dixie Vaughn Aka "Cake Lady"  
 Bill Lindsey  
 George Hunt  
 Gordon Cowan  
 Richard Owens

Have Hammer Will Travel A.C. Location





## **Escuela de Carpinteria Riberas**

To make direct donation to Have Hammer Will Travel A.C. this is our bank in Mexico  
Please send an email to [taxexpat@aol.com](mailto:taxexpat@aol.com) so we may look for the donation.

Official Bank Account Name:

**Have Hammer Will Travel A.C.**

Name & Location of Bank:

**Bancomer BBVA Ajijic, Mexico**

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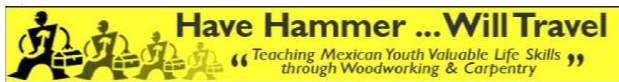
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***Thank you for changing a young child's future.***





## Escuela de Carpinteria Riberas

*Once upon a time  
you wanted to  
change the world.*

## **YOU STILL CAN.**

Most people can say that they made a difference in someone's life but not many people can say that they permanently changed the course of someone's life for the better.

Through contributions to *Have Hammer Will Travel's* work with Mexican adults and youth you have the ability to change not only the life of the program participant, but many generations after that will benefit from the gift of the valuable trade skills they will learn.

**Have Hammer...Will Travel** is a Mexican Charity that teaches valuable life skills through woodworking, carpentry and CAD (*computer aided design*). Located on the shores of Lake Chapala, in Riberas Del Pilar, Jalisco, Mexico, Have Hammer exists because of community donations and committed volunteers.

### Why Donate Funds?

Have Hammer...Will Travel is 100% dependent on donations, whether those donations come through fundraisers, Todo Bueno Resale and Consignment Store, HHWT projects or individual contributions.

Each year, approximately 36 male and female students attend either Level I classes (ages 10-14) or Level II classes (ages 15 and above). They come from all the villages in the municipality of Chapala, where the majority have low economic status.

It costs the program \$88,000 pesos per month to operate. Most students get scholarships, so we have to generate **\$2,500 pesos per student each month** in order to cover our expenses. Contributions of any size make a world of difference in a Mexican youth's life..

**Where your money goes.** Your donations will go toward operational expenses (rent, utilities, teacher's salary, materials, maintenance, replacement of equipment and tools) and to fund students' tuition for the year. You can create a student endowment fund or help to purchase the building and have it named after you.

### How to Donate

Simply fill out the following information and return it to the kindhearted individual that gave it to you and they will ensure that it is forwarded to us and we will reach out to you ASAP:

NAME:

EMAIL:

PHONE:

Make a deposit directly at BBVA Bancomer Mexican bank account named

**(Have Hammer Will Travel A.C).** or

*Tax free RMD Charitable Donation (QCD) from IRA*

Online <http://www.havehammer.org>

**Through The 501c3 Foundation for Lake Chapala Charities. Note: HaveHammer**

<https://lakechapalacharities.org/>

Or to H. Wayne Renz, Treasurer, Officer of Philanthropy and Major Gifts, ,  
Majorgifts@havehammer.org or (Home) 766-1860

You can make an appt. with our attorney Dariann Rivera (376)766-0190, at Luis Enrique Bustillos Ramos Notario's office, in lower Chula Vista.

**Make checks payable to:**

**Have Hammer Will Travel A.C.**



*"You know life is a treat of wonderful experiences. You know you made a start of discovering the meaning of life when you plant a tree and know you will never sit under it, or teach a young child to fish. -H. Wayne Renz*

### **A letter from our President**

As I address these words to you, I feel a kindred spirit, a friend and partner— one whose sense of stewardship for the future has led you to consider a legacy gift to Have Hammer Will Travel A.C. school.

I hope soon to welcome you into the HHWT Legacy group. Your generosity, your vision and your commitment will transform students' lives. You are an incredible person who cares deeply about our future at Have Hammer Will Travel A.C. School.

As you consider your legacy gift, our team can help you meet your personal planning objectives and also achieve your charitable goals for Have Hammer Will Travel A.C. school.

Sincerely,



Michel Quimet, President

*Legacy Society Group,*

*Joe Schwartz, Grace Wood, Sandy and Richard Owens, Dixie Vaughn Aka "Cake Lady", Bill Lindsey, George Hunt*

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PLEASE GIVE THE FOLLOWING LANGUAGE TO YOUR ATTORNEY IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO REMEMBER THE HAVE HAMMER WILL TRAVEL A.C. IN YOUR WILL.

UNRESTRICTED BEQUESTS are gifts of cash, personal, or real property, which you allow the HHWT to use for teaching life skills to Mexican youth through woodworking, carpentry and computer aided design, whichever is most needed at the time. To make an unrestricted bequest to HHWT through your Will, give this text to your attorney.

I, \_\_\_\_\_, bequeath to the Have Hammer Will Travel A. C. the sum of \$\_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_% of my residuary estate to be used for the greatest need.

RESTRICTED BEQUESTS are gifts made to the HHWT, which direct the Board of Directors as to how the funds are to be used. This kind of bequest allows you to support specific plans which are important to you. Restricted gifts are sometimes rendered less effective when changing times and circumstances reduce or eliminate the need for specific services or programs. To make an restricted bequest to HHWT through your Will, give this text to your attorney.

I, \_\_\_\_\_, bequeath to Have Hammer Will Travel A.C. the sum of \$\_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_% of my residuary estate to be used for

\_\_\_\_\_ (Building fund, endowment fund, CAD Classroom, etc.) If at any time it is impossible or impractical to carry out the above purpose, the Board of Directors of HHWT shall determine a use as close as possible to that described above.

Thank you for caring about HHWT's future with your generous gift, and Welcome to our Legacy Society. Please advise us if you wish to be listed differently. If you indicate ANONYMOUS, your intention will remain anonymous, as confidentiality is important to us. Please let our Legacy team know of your intentions. Best wishes, and please let us know if there is anything we can do for you now or any time in the future.

***Please also consider***

***GIVING WHILE LIVING***