



News Update – April 2012

Dear Friends,

Over 70 employees and over 20 volunteers help us with our work on-site. This requires a tremendous amount of coordination. In every corner of Mineros de San Juan there is some project in progress. There is a Saturday with an arts and sports program, an evening with the parents-teacher conference or the election of the students' council. There is never a dull moment in the work and we are proud that we keep our administrative expenses on site to a minimum and off site at zero. In order to do that, we always need your support through donations. Please think of us when you consider donating. We will put your support to great use.

Christian Ruehmer

Projecto Horizonte needs you! Can you sponsor a child?

800 children are supported by Projecto Horizonte. Can you help one? For USD 15.- per month you help one child receiving all the education and health care Projecto Horizonte offers*. You can sign up for the program simply by signing up on our website and pay monthly with your Credit Card. [Just visit our website and donate.](#) Recurring donations can be cancelled at any time.



Here are some examples of our activities of the past weeks!

Launch of Tantakuna Products

One of our great successes is the women's group Tantakuna. Founded over 5 years ago it provides the women a space to meet and socialize. We also started professional initiatives such as a handcraft workshop. We will launch a sale of the products over the next weeks. Stay tuned!



Staff Rotation

In March we experimented for the second time with a staff rotation program. The team members from all areas had the opportunity to experience the work of the other areas. This helped, creating a better understanding for the issues and challenges everyone faces. Thereafter we had a very detailed assessment session where everyone was able to provide feed-back. The rotation helped to deepen the team spirit. We will repeat it again and are happy that everyone was so engaged in the project.



Soccer Championship for Kids

On March 31st, we held the first soccer championship for the children. Over 80 players participated and played in a strong competition. The finals were decided in a penalty shootout. The soccer training is part of our Community Development program in which we support the people of Mineros de San Juan in building up a strong community. Every weekend we offer a variety of programs adjusted to the preferences and skills.



Volunteer Blog

Our international volunteers provide an invaluable contribution to the success of Projecto Horizonte. This year we had already over 20 people helping us in all areas. Many of them write about their experience in the volunteer blog. [Please read their comments here.](#) If you want to work with us in Bolivia or from abroad, please [contact us.](#)



Happy Eastern !

The week before the Eastern Weekend is called the "Semana Santa". In Bolivia many rituals are celebrated in preparation of the Holiday. Please see the pictures: The teachers and students of the evening school (CEA) held a traditional communion on Thursday evening.



Meet our Staff: Raquel Carbajal

Raquel Carbajal is an employee of Projecto Horizonte since the first days of 2004. She is one of the head educators in the day-care center. She lives in Cochabamba with her husband and her two beautiful daughters who occasionally come with her to Ushpa-Ushpa. Raquel likes to spend her spare time with her family and playing basketball. Raquel is loved by all the team members because of her honest, friendly, generous character and her long experience

