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**OUR STORY**

Established in 1986, we at CEOLI—the Center for Educational and Vocational Preparation for the Disabled—started out by providing support, mainly in the form of job training, to disabled people in Cochabamba, but later evolved to accommodate a range of services. As we grew, we developed and built diverse learning environments, curriculum, and services to better equip these young adults and children with the appropriate skillsets to adapt and integrate into society. We currently partner with Amazide, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that facilitates volunteerism, community service, collaboration, and cultural awareness in locations around the world.

**50**

50 Children served daily with a 1:5 student teacher ratio

**10**

10 full time teachers and therapists that support the children in their development

**$15k+**

$15-30k USD donations needed annually to meet operations obligations

“We focus on the child’s abilities, not their disabilities at CEOLI.”

- Ronald Caballero, Founder
Manuel (Manu) is a student of CEOLI. CEOLI has empowered Manu to learn new things and take on additional challenges to help grow his skillset. Thanks in part to participating in the autonomy program at CEOLI, he can clean the house, do his own laundry, and his favorite activity: being a chef in the kitchen. His favorite foods are chicken, pizza, and bread. He participates in many of the services that CEOLI provides, including Aqua Therapy in CEOLI's in-house pool. Manu would like to get a job some day when he is old enough.

Watch his story here
BUDGET SUMMARY

We ask that families of the children pay what they are able, but we need additional funding sources to continue providing high-quality services and expand our reach for years to come. Our organization is kept afloat primarily through the incredible generosity of a single US-based family that makes a sizeable annual donation to the organization. This donation accounts for 56% of all revenue for the organization. Currently, we can support only 50 children and aim to grow that number to include children who cannot afford the program but desperately need our services. Our goal is to increase funding by at least $15k per year, with the stretch goal of $30k to help offset the burden. Based on the need and demand for services, we anticipate our financial goals can be met by focusing on two priorities:

1. Growing our fee-based services paid for by the families
2. Increasing direct donations by donors and organizations

We have the ambition to grow with the support of our community within Bolivia and worldwide

Current State

- Limited resources coming from a single donor

Future Goal

- Financially self-sustained organization and increased support for children

- Outreach plan takes shape to increase awareness in the community
- Every year on October 15th we celebrate Disabled Persons Day in Cochabamba

How you can support

Join our Donation Tier Program

A single donation of $10 US dollars/month can support a child for one service. A recurring donation of $100 US dollars can support 4 children for a year. Every dollar makes a difference.

Basic

- $10/month
- Supports 1 service per month

Silver

- $30/month
- Full program (4 services) for 1 child

Gold

- $50/month
- Full program for 2 children
- Receive quarterly newsletter from Ronald on updates within CEOLI

Platinum

- $100+/month
- Full program for 4 children
- Receive quarterly newsletter from Ronald on updates within CEOLI
- Receive custom CEOLI Greeting card crafted by one of our children

The recommended therapy strategy (“full program”) provides the greatest benefit and includes Aquatherapy services paired with the Snoezelen room. We also offer group therapy classes! For just $70/month, you can help support a child through all recommended programs that CEOLI offers!

Donations are accepted through Amizade.org directly (select monthly donation option). Additionally, site visits and planned travel can be organized through Amizade. To learn more, visit their Bolivia programs here. If you have questions or want to learn more, please reach out to Amizade at volunteer@amizade.org