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## Our Mission

Casa de los Angeles is a community of caring people who gather to nurture children, serving the needs of the less fortunate, treating each person with dignity and respect as they work to make a better life for themselves. It is located in San Miguel de Allende, Guanajuato, Mexico, and was founded on September 18, 2000.

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## A visit from A.T. Kearney

Friday, May 27, 2011 brought a special group of angels to our door. Marathon runner **Ricardo Haneine** will be running the Chicago Marathon in the name of Casa de los Angeles for the fourth time on October 9, 2011. Ricardo works for **A.T. Kearney** in Mexico City. On that special Friday, Ricardo brought all 30 employees of **A.T. Kearney** for a visit.

These wonderful people of good will brought their great energy as they visited with our little ones. Plus, when they walked through our doors, they were bearing boxes and boxes of gifts for our children, for our moms and a flat screen TV complete with brand new DVD's (we were getting tired of watching *Buscando Nemo!*) and DVD player!

We are grateful to these good people for their presence in the life of Casa de los Angeles!



Donna shares a moment with Marathon runner **Ricardo Haneine**



The A.T. Kearney Team with some of our kids.



Boxes and boxes of generosity!



Toño with our new friends Carlos, Julio and Roberto

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## Tres Voluntarias

### Meet Taunesha, Alice and Isi

I'm Taunesha, a student at the University of Oregon and will graduate this Spring. Before I started life outside of college, I wanted to find an opportunity to work with children in Mexico. I found Casa de los Angeles and knew it would be a perfect fit. The teachers, mothers and children have welcomed me from the beginning. I came to work with children and hopefully put a smile on their faces, but what they have given me in return is so much more. Nothing can compare to my experience that I am so lucky to have!



I'm Alice. I came to Mexico on a whim, with aspirations of adventures far away from home. However, rather ironically, what I have found in the colourful city of San Miguel de Allende is another home - Casa de los Angeles. Being only eighteen, having the responsibility of changing dozens of diapers a day was a daunting prospect. However, I love spending time with the children and knowing that I am helping the hardworking Maestras makes it all worth it. Coming from rainy London to this wonderful sunny place really was a giant step. Nevertheless, surrounded by such caring people I couldn't feel more at home.

While I was planning my trip of 6 months through Central America, I wanted to do some volunteer work. So I searched online for a place in Mexico where I could help out a bit. Casa de los Angeles caught my eye and I knew immediately this is the place where I want to go. The website gave me a warm feeling, reading the stories and looking at the pictures. And, indeed, when I arrived everybody was really friendly. I felt like it was a big family, Every day I love to go to the center more and more because I get more connected with the children. I already know that it will be hard to leave. People say, "You must feel so good about yourself doing this volunteer work." I say that this has nothing to do with me. I'm just so unbelievably blessed with growing up in a nice environment with loving people around me, that I feel that it is my duty to do something back.



Isi (Isolde Vandenberghe) from Belgium

## Support our runners!!!!

Casa de los Angeles has 33 runners training for the **Bank of America Chicago Marathon** on Sunday, October 9, 2011. This is the fifth year that we are an official charity of this great marathon.



You may not be a runner, but you can be a part of the marathon by supporting our runners. Team Casa is a unique opportunity to make an instant impact in the lives of some of the poorest mothers and children in Mexico. Funds raised by Team Casa members go right to work providing daycare, meals, transitional housing and medical services to our families.

To make a donation, go to our marathon website <http://marathon.casadelosangeles.org/> You can pick a particular runner to support or make a general donation. You can be sure that every penny will be used to help those in our care. Also, be sure to post a comment to our runners. Your good energy will motivate them to run like the wind!!!



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