



Leadership Mission
International

2020-2021 ANNUAL REPORT

Dear LMI Friends and Family,

Most days, before I start the admin tasks that often pile up faster than Candida's corn tortillas, I spend a few minutes grounding myself in the reality of this great mission we pursue together.

As I pray, I imagine the prayers of others who join me – sometimes donors, staff members, board members, students and graduates, friends of the organization. But most often, the images that fill my mind are of little abuelitas – grandmothers – in the mountains and hills of rural Honduras. I imagine a force of women who, through sweat and challenge and unresolved injustice, have raised daughters, who have then raised their own daughters ... and have carried in their hearts, and in their waking prayers before long hours of tedious work, a hope and a dream that the daughters of their daughters will have a *chance* at a better life.

This image drives so much of the work that we do: a true belief that it has been the prayers of generations of abuelitas that has empowered our mission and fueled the energy and drive of each of the young women who join us at The Leadership Center.

Many of us are more than aware of the statistics in Honduras; it feels like almost common knowledge by now that Honduras has the fifth-highest rate of violence against women in the world; that every 18 hours in Honduras, a woman is a victim of a violent death. It feels almost common by now that Honduras has the highest youth homicide rate in the world, and that children living in Honduras are 10 times more likely to be killed than a child who lives in the United States (AJS-US.org). The commonality of that news does not erase its horror.

It intersects, at a profound level, the aching hearts of abuelitas desiring a better life for their granddaughters. It profoundly drives our mission. The ache of that injustice is what gave birth to The Leadership Center campus, somewhere out in the mountains of rural Honduras. It's what drives our 78 graduates and counting, now spread through most departments of Honduras leading community development efforts with their families and neighbors and churches and municipalities. It's what motivates a powerful and faithful leadership team on campus, Mizraim and his family and Karla and hers, as well as a handful of devoted and dedicated teachers and cooks and agricultural workers. It's what inspires our sponsors, church partners, hundreds of campus visitors, and volunteers of all shapes and sizes. Our hearts are interconnected by the work that we join together to do.

We believe and see that God is doing great work in our students and graduates during a year when *The Wall Street Journal* expressed “few countries embody the multiple challenges facing the developing world [as a result of the pandemic] more than Honduras” due to crime, corruption, extreme poverty, health-care system collapse, and two devastating hurricanes. This great work is why LMI is taking a leap to grow our impact by committing in 2021 to house and train 30 young women in Cohort 12, reflecting a 25% growth in our student body.

Mizraim and I, countless days on our calls, sit back and list off all the great work that we see God doing. It is clearly not the work of any one individual – it is all of us together, each one of you reading this now, who God has brought together in a response to his own heart – his own ear arched towards those little abuelitas pressing tortillas over stone fire stoves in the dark, early hours of morning before work has even started.

We praise God. Abrazos fuertes a la distancia,
Hannah



WHAT WE DO

We Empower Women to Develop

 **STRONG HEARTS**

 **STRONG MINDS**

 **STRONG VOICES**



Looking Back on 2020

We exceeded our fundraising goals in 2020 to enable LMI to welcome more students to our campus in 2021 than we have ever before.

14

New LMI
Graduates

We celebrated 14 new LMI Graduates finishing their coursework and embarking on their journey to implement positive change in their communities!

30

Students on
Campus

LMI is currently providing education and opportunities to 30 students on campus,

15

Students to
Graduate in 2021

We exceeded our fundraising goals in 2020 to enable LMI to welcome more students to our campus in 2021.

2020 INFLUENCE

COVID-19 Campus Response

LMI was able to bring all students and staff back to campus for a safe start in private vans, with personal protective equipment, and testing prior to arrival. We held 10-day quarantines on campus to ensure safety before starting classes.

We feel so grateful that we've been able to continue empowering women through in-person education during this time!





Computer Lab with WiFi

Generous donations allowed for the computer lab and student classrooms to be equipped with WiFi availability in February, which allowed some classes to continue “a la distancia” from the US.



Hurricane ETA & IOTA Devastation

STUDENT & GRADUATE RESPONSE



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61 students & graduates mobilized to provide: 78 projects in community development, agriculture, education and food distribution and over 1000 families and individuals with support and several entire communities with long-term impacts. 7



LMI 2020 FINANCIAL REPORT

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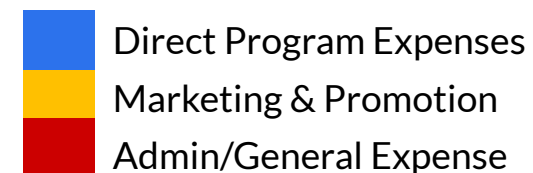
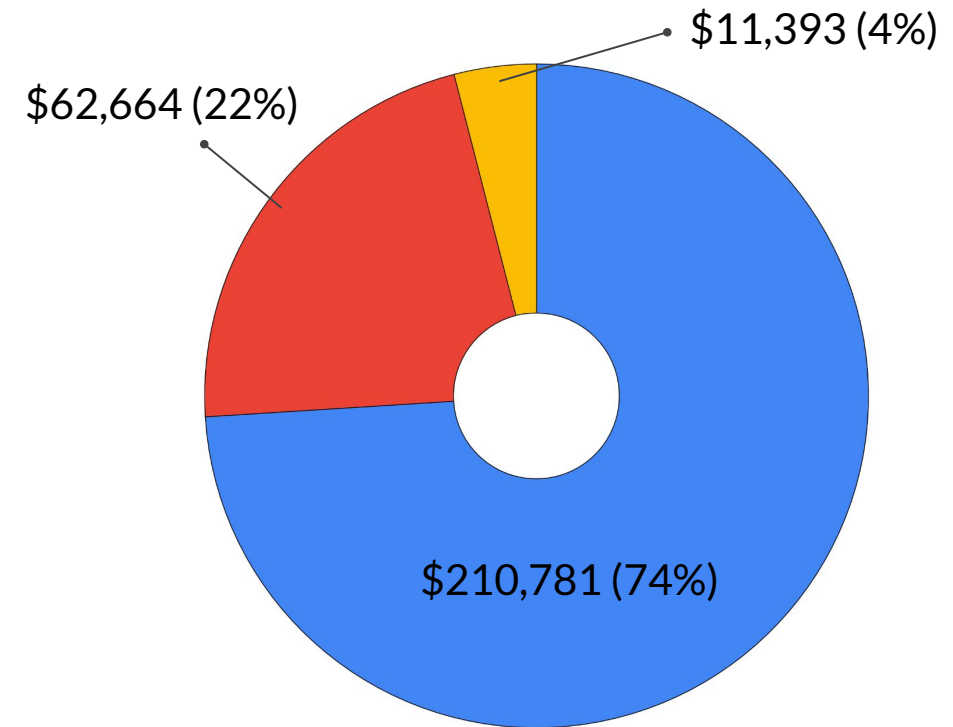
2020 Financial Report

Total Income Overview

Income Source	Amount	Percent
Church Giving	\$34,700.00	10%
Corporate Contributions	\$78,090.00	22%
Individual Contributions	\$118,378.11	33%
Student Sponsorships	\$127,560.82	35%
Campus Sustainability	\$2,946.66	1%
Total	\$361,675.59	100%



Expense Breakdown





LOOKING FORWARD

Expand our Facility

LMI's Staff and Board are committed to serving more women in Honduras and will be focused on building a new classroom and welcoming an additional 25% students to campus than our typical class size.

We were blessed to receive a donation from Floris/Restoration church for the entire cost of our new classroom, but we are currently looking to expand our dorms for these new students. If you have an interest in supporting this effort, please click [here](#).



WAYS TO GET INVOLVED

Give a man a fish and he eats for a day.
Teach a man to fish and he eats for a lifetime.
But teach a woman to fish, and everyone eats for a lifetime.

~Ritu Sharma

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Sponsor a Student

LMI scholarships provide students a full curriculum, study materials, housing, food, basic toiletries and medicines.

We can do this because of the generosity of our student sponsors and donors. The all-inclusive scholarship costs **\$300 per month**, per student, for two years.

Our goal is to match each student with 1-3 individuals or families to accomplish the full scholarship amount. If you are interested in investing in the lives of young Honduran women and empowering leaders, click [here](#).



WAYS TO GET INVOLVED

One-Time Donation

Experts agree that the education and training of women in poor countries reduces poverty, stabilizes communities and improves human rights. Your financial gift will help educate women as ethical leaders and be change agents in their communities. We invite you to be a part of this change through your partnership in one of the many different ways.

[Donate Electronically](#)

Donate via check
payable to *Leadership Mission International*
PO BOX 22642
Seattle, WA 98122

Donate an appreciated security





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Become a Penpal

Creating a relationship with one of our students helps encourage them throughout their program. This activity also allows them to practice writing the English language and empowers the women to achieve their potential.

PENPALS CAN GIVE OUR STUDENTS...

Encouragement

- Practical advice, encouragement and support
- Experiences of others
- Empower them to have a voice

Confidence

- Increase their academic confidence
- Develop their communication and writing skills
- Develop strategies for dealing with both personal and academic issues



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Visit Campus

We have partnerships with several schools, churches, businesses, and religious organizations throughout the United States who regularly send teams to LMI's Honduras Leadership Center campus to serve, volunteer, learn from our students and staff, and partner with us in a variety of ways. We liked to think of these as mutually transformative learning opportunities. Team members serve in a variety of ways including construction or building projects, farming and agriculture, or teaching seminars and tutoring.

We practice hospitality and welcome volunteers on campus from any background, race, gender, religion, or faith. The videos below are messages from some of the leaders of these organizations regarding their experience at The Leadership Center.

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Fidelity Charitable
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K3 Construction Group
Lafayette College
Merril Lynch DAF
Merriman
Merzad Consulting LLC
Moya Design Partners LLC
Network for Good
NT Concepts
NFP

Rotary Club of Vienna
Schwab Charitable Fund
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