

Nuestro Mundo, Inc.



Annual Report
January 1 – December 31, 2014

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Our Mission

NMI's mission is to develop, manage and promote K-adult language, cross-cultural educational and leadership opportunities by:

- Guiding the growth and development of Nuestro Mundo Community School through site leadership governance, application of measurable standards and high academic achievement
- Planning innovative middle school programs and a neighborhood learning center and
- Developing productive partnerships through identified community collaboration policy

Our Values

At Nuestro Mundo Incorporated, we value students, families, employees and community members. We will serve them with the highest level of trust and dignity. We will work to promote a diverse and inclusive community.

Through these values we will advance NMI.



Building a Better World Together...Nuestro Mundo!



Present and Past NMI Board members at the 10th Anniversary Celebration, April 2014.

Licensed By

Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services

Affiliated With

Madison Metropolitan School District
Department of Public Instruction
Community Shares of Wisconsin

Awards and Honors

- Centro Hispano's Roberto G. Sanchez Award Winner 2008 (Bryan Grau)
- Centro Hispano's Roberto G. Sanchez Award Nominee 2009 (Debora Gil R. Casado)
- United Way's Community Volunteer Award Nominees 2009 (Bryan Grau and Debora Gil R. Casado)
- Village People/ Club TNT Water Bearer Award 2008 (Juan Jose Lopez)
- Charter School of the Year Award Nominee 2008, 2009
- Charter School Persons of the Year Nominees 2008 (Bryan Grau and Debora Gil R. Casado)
- Aristos Grant Recipient 2009 (Joshua Forehand representing Nuestro Mundo Community School)
- Distinguished Service Citizen Award 2009 (Jill Tacket-Cornejo, on behalf of Nuestro Mundo Community School)
- June, 2013, Ananda Mirilli wins Backyard Hero Award from Community Shares of Wisconsin.
- November 2013, Luz Celedon wins Backyard Hero Award from Community Shares of Wisconsin.





Meeting in the basement of La Hacienda in Jan 2014. It was soooo cold!



Concepción and Yanet cooking tamales in December 2014.



Yanet and Alberto won the Community Shares Backyard Hero award in Sep 2014!



Message from Board President,
Libbey Ortiz-Meister



President's letter 2014

Real education should consist of drawing the goodness and the best out of our own students. What better books can there be than the book of humanity? Cesar Chavez

A few more than 10 years ago, people in our community came together with concern and hope wanting to bring positive change to the Latino students and families in our community. Nuestro Mundo, Inc was formed and Nuestro Mundo Community School was born.

Nuestro Mundo Community School continues to be the focus and largest project of NMI to date. The major accomplishment for first quarter of

2014 was completing the final steps of approving the management contract for NMCS with Madison Metro School District. This agreement was the culmination of months of hard work and collaboration among NMCS administration, NMI board members and MMSD staff. Thanks and appreciation to Principal Josh Forehand and NMI board member Peter Joyce for their role in seeing it through.

NMI is a proud Community Shares of Wisconsin member agency. CSW member agencies share a commitment to social justice, the environment and economic access for individuals, families and community. NMI relies on workplace giving through payroll deductions and CHIP donations at Willy Street Co-op. Each year support through CSW grows. We are honored and humbled by the generosity of donors.

Parents continue to drive fundraising at NMCS. Dana King has shown tireless commitment to smaller project based fundraising through sales of seeds, bread, Bucky Books and shirts. Concepción Mota took the lead in organizing and working at the second annual Tamalada. Carolina Castellanos and Mariana Castro, co-chairing the Liderazgo Committee supported dances and movie nights and other events which also provided some fundraising for the school. NMI is continually working to expand financial support through grants and in kind donations.

NMI hosted with Latino Education Council, Centro Hispano and Latinos United for College Education Scholarships the second Citywide Dual Language Immersion Summit at Centro Hispano. This Summit brought together teachers, parents, community members and administrators from across the district who have an interest in dual language immersion education. We continued to learn, build community and move forward in seeking excellence for our students through dual language immersion education. This event also included the 8th annual NMI Board of Education candidate forum. NMI is committed to continuing the conversations about improving education and parental involvement.

The difficult decision was made to not host the popular Summer Program and instead funding was reallocated to pay for Saturday Literacy School for students who needed some additional assistance with reading skills. Parents and teachers reported success for students who were able to regularly participate. Snacks and transportation as well as regular classroom teachers were provided to support this important, intensive learning opportunity.

New Directors Pam Mc Gillivary, Peggy Rynearson, Rosalia Gittens and Virginia Escudero were installed to the NMI Board in July. We thanked Kristen Scott and Liz Kennebeck for their service.

The next few years will be an opportunity to grow the capacity and activity of our Board. Please join us on our path to greater academic success of our children and greater involvement of our parents and community partners. There is much to do. The stakes are high. Join us.

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Libbey Meister

NMI BOD, President

Parent

Committee Reports

Bridging Committee

Nuestro Mundo Incorporated continued its close collaboration with Madison Metropolitan School District through the 2014 year through the Bridging Committee. Through this committee, NMI and MMSD worked through issues of monitoring academic achievement for NMCS alumni in middle school.

2014 Bridging Committee representatives were Libbey Ortiz-Meister and Peter Joyce.

School Committee

The School Committee continued to be an essential connection between our board and school members, including administrators, teachers and parents. This committee worked to mediate the more complicated aspects of maintaining a charter school, as members worked to provide the school with the necessary materials and resources to ensure educational success. Most of our work is dedicated to improving the school School Improvement Plan (SIP) and its implementation. The school committee closely evaluates the students academic achievements.

Community Development Committee

Entering its third year, the Community Development Committee continued to develop strategies to better engage all of our community partners.

Executive Committee

The Executive Committee is comprised of the officers of the board. This committee commits to meeting each month if there are issues that must be acted upon prior to the next scheduled board meeting, and takes action or prepares recommendations as needed. Current officers and Executive Committee members are President, Libbey Ortiz-Meister; Vice President, Grisel Tapia; Treasurer, Peter Joyce; and Secretary, Geraldo Mancilla.

Finance Committee:

The Finance Committee is responsible for complying with all federal and state regulations regarding NMI's 501c3 status. In addition, the finance committee works with our auditors to make sure all the details involving our money is properly accounted for. FY 2014 was a relatively good year for us financially, with over \$23,000 available for Program Support. NMI was able to raise money through Woodman's Gift Cards, Bucky Books, Community Shares of Wisconsin, the 10th Anniversary celebration, tamalada sales and generous donors. Fortunately in 2014 NMI had a very generous set of Amigos, Super-Amigos and Compadres. Please consider a contribution for 2015.

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Madison, Wisconsin

STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION
December 31, 2014 and 2013

	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
<u>ASSETS</u>		
<u>Current Assets</u>		
Cash	\$ 22,660	\$ 14,701
Unconditional promises to give	<u>993</u>	<u>889</u>
Total Current Assets	<u>23,653</u>	<u>15,590</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u><u>\$ 23,653</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 15,590</u></u>

LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS

<u>Net Assets</u>		
Unrestricted Net Assets	\$ 22,660	\$ 12,662
Temporarily Restricted	<u>993</u>	<u>2,928</u>
Total Net Assets	<u>23,653</u>	<u>15,590</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	<u><u>\$ 23,653</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 15,590</u></u>

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STATEMENTS OF ACTIVITIES
For the Years Ended December 31, 2014 and 2013

Unrestricted Net Assets:

	2014	2013
<u>REVENUES AND SUPPORT</u>		
Contributions	\$ 8,718	\$ 7,450
Sale of food	8,158	2,582
Sale of merchandise	5,751	3,694
Scrip and Bucky Book sales	66,260	66,475
Miscellaneous	250	500
Total Revenues and Support	89,137	80,701

EXPENSES

Program Services	10,800	9,327
Supporting activities		
Management and general	2,417	1,651
Fundraising	68,850	66,083
Total supporting activities	71,267	67,734
Total Expenses	82,067	77,061

NET ASSETS RELEASED FROM RESTRICTIONS

Satisfaction of time restrictions	889	49
Change in Unrestricted Net Assets	7,959	3,689

Temporarily Restricted Net Assets:

Contributions	993	889
Net assets released from restrictions		
Satisfaction of Program Restrictions	(889)	(49)
Change in temporarily restricted net assets	104	840
Change in net assets	8,063	4,529
Net Assets at Beginning of Year	15,590	11,061
Net Assets at End of Year	\$ 23,653	\$ 15,590

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STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS
For the Years Ended December 31, 2014 and 2013

	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
<u>Cash Flows from Operating Activities</u>		
Change in Net Assets	\$ 8,063	\$ 4,529
Adjustments to reconcile change in net assets to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Decrease (increase) in unconditional promises to give	<u>(104)</u>	<u>(840)</u>
Net cash provided (used) by operating activities	7,959	3,689
Net Change in Cash	7,959	3,689
Cash at beginning of year	<u>14,701</u>	<u>11,012</u>
Cash at end of year	<u>\$ 22,660</u>	<u>\$ 14,701</u>



The cake for the 10th Anniversary Celebration!



Principal Josh Forehand gets a Mohawk in front of the students, as he promised he would if they improved their academic scores.



Nuestro Mundo cartoon characters and float in the 2014 Monona Memorial Day Parade.



Anamaria Peralta receiving a \$250 check from Shoppko in November for art supplies. Libbey from NMI wrote the grant.



2014 Amigos and Super Amigos of Nuestro Mundo, Inc.

Amigos of NMI have donated up to \$99 in 2014

Super Amigos to NMI have donated up to \$999 in 2014

Compadres have donated over \$999 in 2014

Compadres

Super Amigos

Anonymous

Marj Passman
Amy Schiebel

Josh Ridders
Sheryl Dwinell
Mary Hall
Piper Basckai

Amigos

Amy Christiansen
Peg Palmer
Rosemary Dorney
Mike Herrting
Jane Danley
Micheal D Bullock
Arlene Ellingson
George Kennebec
Nancy Brown
Marvin Kennebec
Patricia Durkin
Dolores Kester
Cecilia Gillhouse
Brian Sather
Katherine Forehand
Peter Joyce
Deborah Gil Casado
Piper Bacskai
Germaine Mayhew
Nola Risse-Connolly
Amy Selenske
Miriam and Rob Mueller-Owens
Juli Loker
Kristen Scott
David and Carolina Castellanos
Dani Rischall
Jacquelyn Finley
Margaret Brennan
Michael Basford
Dean Loumos
Pablo Sanchez
Sujhey Beisser
Lucia Ledesma
Murray Kraft
Jeff Degenhardt
Enca Shetler
Liz Hinkes
Julia Arata-Fratta
Leila Midelfort

Tom Hecht
Elizabeth Ortiz-Meister
Fay-Marie Filipak
Angelia Renteria
Anita Hecht



Nuestro Mundo Board of Directors 2014

OFFICE

PRESIDENT	Libbey Ortiz- Meister
VICE PRESIDENT	Grisel Tapia
TREASURER	Peter Joyce
SECRETARY	Gerardo Mancilla

DIRECTORS

Peggy Rearson
Pam McGillivray
Virginia Escudero
Rosalia Gittens
Tim Boals
Jade Alegre
Concepción Mota

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COMMUNITY SCHOOL

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Nuestro Mundo Inc. &
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Public Schools

BIENVENIDOS ESTUDIANTES
DE NUESTRO MUNDO
2012 2013