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bi-annual report

July 2017 - June 2019

celebrating success

What a great couple of years it has been for Nuestro Mundo!

We secured the contract with Madison Metropolitan School District to continue Nuestro Mundo Community School as an instrumentality charter school for another 5 years. In fact, the MMSD Board of Education voted unanimously in favor of the charter renewal contract and reflected on how special the school is as a safe and welcoming place with top notch teachers and staff. Thank you to all who contributed to this effort!

Additionally, the Nuestro Mundo, Inc. (NMI) board is in a good place as we head into next year. We have increased, and are actively working to further increase, diversity on the board. NMI will continue to encourage all NMCS families and community members to actively participate in the organization's direction and decision-making.

NMI—because of you—has had record-breaking fundraisers this year and are looking at attracting more corporate donations in the upcoming years. We appreciate all of your support for the Family & School Alliance fundraisers and events; contributions in the classrooms of time, snacks and supplies; and donations to the Big Share and other financial support to NMI.

Through strategic planning, NMI has sharpened its focus on short-terms goals. The next big lift for NMI -- and the entire NMCS community -- will be a push for a permanent home for





NMCS in its own building. While we have done well in our leased Monona space, the school needs the stability of a permanent home. The sky's the limit of what that could look like: community center, early child care, 3 to 5 kinder, mental health outreach, an expanded food pantry and an avenue to provide other basic needs. NMI needs your support with this initiative. Stay tuned!

With this letter, I say farewell to NMI as my term on the board wraps up in June 2019. Over the years, it has been amazing to work with such dedicated board members, teachers, staff, administrators, family members, and community members who have pulled for the school and pushed for dual language immersion education in an effort to improve the opportunities for students of color and who strive toward equity and equality in our community. Thank you!

Pam McGillivray, outgoing NMI president

Nuestro Mundo, Inc.'s mission is to develop,
manage, and promote K-adult language, crosscultural educational and leadership
opportunities.

6th Annual Citywide Dual Language Immersion Summit

On March 10, 2018 Nuestro Mundo Inc., Centro Hispano, and the Latino Education Council hosted the 6th annual Dual Language Immersion (DLI) Summit to provide a forum for parents, students, teachers and the community to share successes, challenges, and hopes for the DLI programs in MMSD. More than fifty participants attended, creating a compelling narrative about the value, meaning and future of DLI.

Participants in the Summit were deeply interested in helping the district, school board members and Madison community appreciate the scope and positive impact of DLI programs to date. In their own words:

"To me, DLI is MMSD's gem. It's what made us stay in Madison."

"It's fostering a culture of connection."

"It's breaking language and cultural barriers."

"DLI teaches students more than language: it teaches students acceptance and inclusion of differences. It has the power to transform our communities."

Moving forward, participants also identified opportunities to strengthen DLI programs and experiences. Among them:

- ~ Providing collaborative spaces for DLI teachers to learn from each other and increasing professional development and support for DLI teachers, since they must function effectively as both content and language experts.
- ~ Convening a DLI parent advisory team to connect parents from all the DLI programs in Madison to work in



collaboration to support and advocate for DLI.

- Bolstering collaboration and communication among schools and with district offices so that there is a fully recognized potential to share resources and best practices both among parents and among teachers.
- ~ Keeping students and families engaged in and motivated to continue with DLI throughout middle and high school, and helping students maintain Spanish skills throughout the secondary level by improving support and expanding course offerings for DLI in grades 6-12.
- ~ Reinforcing language equity (Spanish/English) within and outside of the classroom, and maintaining second language skills over the summer.

Nuestro Mundo, Inc, Latino Education Council, and Centro Hispano welcome opportunities to continue supporting dual language immersion education and MMSD staff and families.

Spotlight on NMI Scholarship Receipeints

In spring 2018, NMI awarded three scholarships to DLI graduates headed to college. We checked in with two scholarship recipients during their first semester of college, and here is what they had to say.

ZOE YOUNG

What is one cool thing you learned (about yourself or the world) in your first semester of college?

Everybody is going through a different path in life, and it's interesting to see the awesome things that different people are doing.

What is one way in which your DLI education enriched your first semester?

I was able to help my roommate practice her Spanish!



JACKIE BARRERA GONZALEZ

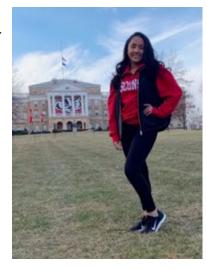
What is one cool thing you learned (about yourself or the world) in your first semester of college?

During my first semester in college I learned that if I truly

dedicate myself to my goals and maintain my focus, I will always find a way to succeed.

What is one way in which your DLI education enriched your first semester?

Receiving a DLI education allowed me to surround myself with students of many different backgrounds, thus, develop a greater appreciation of cultural differences. This has allowed me to be more open minded and embrace experiencing new things.



Spanish & English Language Classes and Intercambio

During the summer of 2018, NMI partnered with Allis Elementary School and Literacy Network to offer English and Spanish classes for parents and members of both school communities. Participants noted that they especially enjoyed practicing pronunciation in the target language. The highlight of these classes was the Intercambio, or conversation exchange, where those learning Spanish and those learning English would come together to practice their new language skills. Some of the conversation topics they practiced included greetings and small talk, recipes, shopping, and family relations.

When asked what the best part of the classes was, students had the following to say:

"Getting immersed into the language was terrific, even if for just one day a week. I liked the simple games of the Intercambio as well. It felt great being with learners on all sides of the coin."

"Loved the Intercambio when English and Spanish learners worked together."

"Learning Spanish to help my daughter through DLI and meeting other parents in the community whether it was Allis or Nuestro parents."



NMI is proud to support the Language Classes and Intercambio program as a way to build community among families in our schools and to offer an excellent cross-cultural learning opportunity. It's also a wonderful way to model to our children the value of lifelong learning and the importance of building relationships with people from different language backgrounds than our own.

Nuestro Mundo Community School Support

Through the 2017-18 and 2018-19 school years, Nuestro Mundo Inc. provided financial support to Nuestro Mundo Community School for the following projects and events.

- ~ Academic Support Grants NMI provides teachers with academic grants to purchase supplies that will support student achievement in the classroom. In each of the last two years, NMI has reimbursed teachers over \$4,400 total for books, games, specialty chairs (e.g. reading and bean bag), sensory integration tools, headphones, and much more.
- ~ Food Pantry at NMCS NMI helped provide the start-up funds to create a food pantry in Nuestro Mundo Community School's office to help families with food security.
- ~ Passport fairs to help NMCS students obtain US Passports
- ~ Monthly Family & School Alliance meals and meetings (2017-18)
- ~ Parent engagement activities for each grade level (2018-19)
- ~ Día de los Muertos celebrations
- ~ International nights and Kermes
- ~ Movie nights
- ~ Día del niño celebrations
- ~ Teacher appreciation weeks
- ~ Kindergarten and 5th grade promotion parties



Nuestro Mundo's Financials

2017-18

This list reflects donations received between July 1, 2017 and June 30, 2018. Please let us know of any unintended errors or omissions.

\$500 - \$1,000

Anonymous CH Robinson Linda Haskins Elizabeth Ortiz Meister

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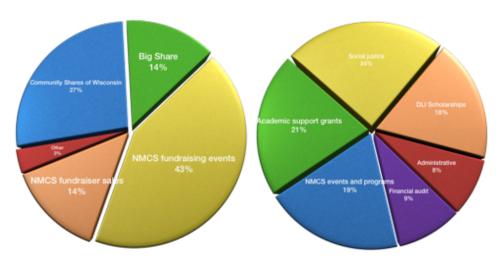
Income

Emily Latham

Expenses

7,633 3,893
3,893
12,079
3,836
968
28,409

	DOLLARS SPENT
NMCS events and programs	4,230
Academic support grants	4,648
Social justice	5,393
DLI Scholarships	4,000
Administrative	1,806
Financial audit	2,000
TOTAL EXPENSE	22,077



Nuestro Mundo's Financials

2018-19

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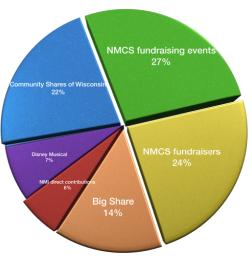
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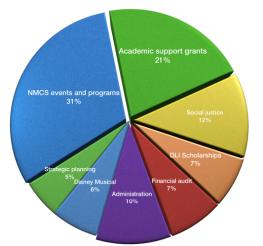
Income

	DOLLARS EARNED
Community Shares of Wisconsin	7,678
NMCS fundraising events	9,488
NMCS fundraisers	8,296
Big Share	4,905
NMI direct contributions	1,951
Disney Musical	2,592
Other	88
TOTAL INCOME	34,998

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	DOLLARS SPENT
NMCS events and programs	8,881
Academic support grants	6,109
Social justice	3,430
Administration	2,862
Financial audit	2,114
DLI Scholarships	2,000
Disney Musical	1,800
Strategic planning	1,500
TOTAL EXPENSES	28,696





Sarah Waddell

Edith Zaldivor

Expenses



There are lots of ways to get involved in the Nuestro Mundo community. Businesses can adopt a school or sponsor an event, individuals can volunteer as a mentor in the classroom or can help with events, fundraisers, and after school clubs. Families can attend community programs.

Nuestro Mundo, Inc is a totally volunteer-run organization. We eagerly welcome assistance in a variety of activities including the website, program planning, donor outreach, grant writing, accounting, and educational evaluation. If you're interested in helping enrich the lives of children in our community, consider volunteering.

The Family & School Alliance acts as Nuestro Mundo's PTO and works to build community, celebrate staff, generate financial support, and provide opportunities for families to volunteer and support the work of our school. Interested? Email alianza@nuestromundoinc.org for more information.

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Thank you to outgoing board members

NMI is run by a volunteer board of directors. Board members donate their time and expertise because of their dedication to dual language education and the work of Nuestro Mundo Community School.

Between July 2017 and June 2019, the following board members stepped down. We thank them for their work, and if you see them in the community, you can thank them too!

Oscar Cruz Delgado

Althea Dotzour (treasurer)

Pamela McGillivray (president)

Alex Ysquierdo

Emily Zoeller

Board members typically serve three-year terms, and the commitment includes monthly board and committee meetings and totals about 10 hours of volunteer time per month. If you're interested in board service, email info@nuestromundoinc.org for more information.

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