



FOOD ♥ HEALTH ♥ RELIEF

Vallarta Cares

Together, we go further

Executive Summary

2025: A Year of Resilience and Reinvention

If 2024 was a year of survival, 2025 was a year of resilience.

Although we increased support and secured new donations, we have not yet achieved full financial stability. We continue operating month to month, working tirelessly to meet the needs of the hundreds of individuals who rely on us. This year, we were forced to close our soup kitchen for one month due to lack of funding and have not yet been able to return to serving five days per week. These challenges are a reminder that our work is essential but also vulnerable.

Despite financial uncertainty, Vallarta Cares did not stop.

We restructured, strengthened strategic alliances, and adjusted operations to ensure continuity of services. We continued delivering food to outskirt and rural communities, maintained our core programs, and secured project-based grants that allowed us to expand specific initiatives.

One of the most significant milestones of 2025 was the delivery of our Mobile Modular Unit. Beginning in 2026, this unit will allow us to bring medical and dental services directly into underserved communities while also providing critical communication support during emergencies such as wildfires and hurricanes.

2025 also taught us to adapt the way we serve. We redesigned our soup kitchen model to foster greater dignity, integration, and a stronger sense of community. We are currently serving approximately 400 meals per week, and through our outreach program, we bring food directly to areas where people experiencing homelessness gather, building trust and encouraging connection to broader services at our facility.

This year reminded us that resilience is not just endurance: it is evolution.

As we look toward 2026, our goal is clear: to grow sustainable support so our operations are secure, allowing us not only to survive, but to innovate, expand, and deepen the transformational impact our communities deserve.

Vallarta Cares remains committed. And we continue together.



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Our Mission

Vallarta Cares fights poverty and inequality by addressing food insecurity, providing health care, disaster relief, and promoting dignity. Through practical support and compassionate action, we empower individuals and communities with the tools and resources to lift themselves up.

Our Vision

We envision resilient communities where individuals have access to opportunity, support, and guidance to transform their lives. A future where solidarity replaces isolation, dignity is protected, and communities come together to support one another in times of need.



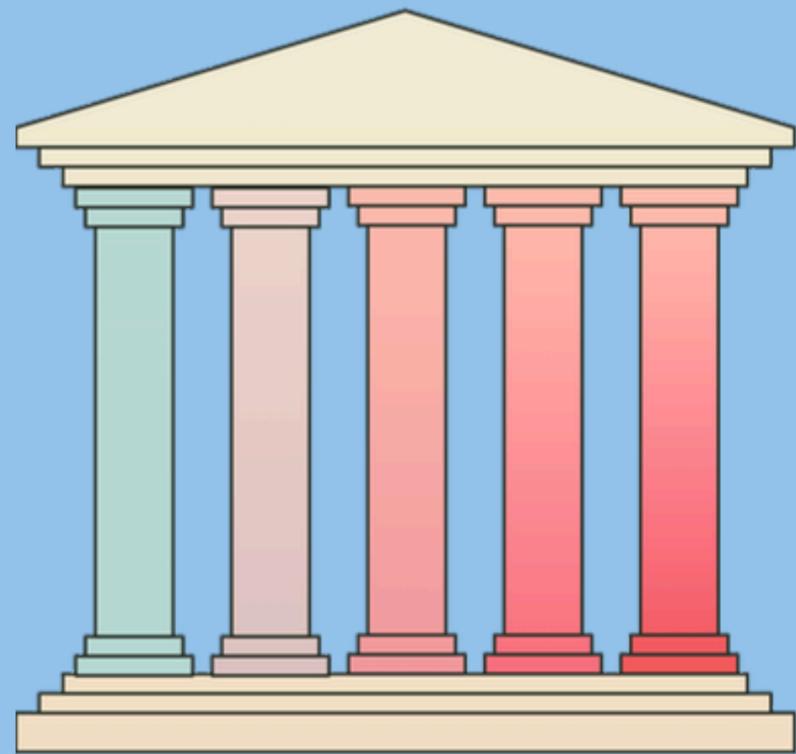
The Context: Why Our Work Matters

Economic instability, rising costs of living, and limited access to health care continue to place vulnerable populations at risk across our region. While tourism-driven economies recover unevenly, many families face food insecurity, health challenges, and a lack of basic services.

In 2025, we also witnessed a noticeable increase in foreign nationals seeking assistance. Economic displacement, health crises, and rising global instability have brought more international residents to our doors in need of support. Poverty does not discriminate and neither do we.

At Vallarta Cares, we help human beings not nationalities, not religions, not political affiliations. Our commitment is to dignity, compassion, and service for anyone who walks through our doors in genuine need. Whether Mexican or foreign, every person deserves respect and the opportunity to rebuild stability.

Our 2025 Program Framework



Food Security

Ensuring access to nutritious food for all.



Health

Providing essential medical and dental services.



Dignity

Restoring self-worth and belonging through community support.



Empowerment & Education

Equipping individuals with skills and knowledge for self-sufficiency.



Disaster Preparedness & Relief

Preparing communities for and responding to emergencies.



2025 Highlights



76,164 meals served



2,528 food packages



930 Outreach Meals for people experiencing homelessness



1 School rebuilt and dozens of students trained



8 Communities Supported Through Wildfire Response

In 2025, Vallarta Cares directly impacted more than 11,000 individuals across multiple communities. Through our different programs

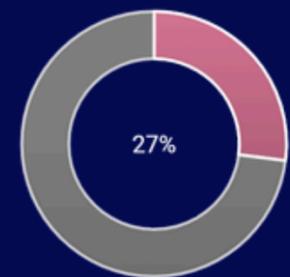
Financial Snapshot

Total Income: \$5,163,795.08 MXN

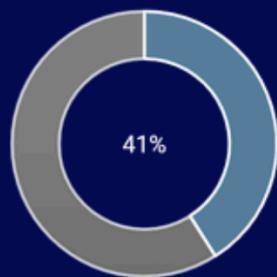
Total Expenses: \$ 4,955,143.00 MXN

In 2025, Vallarta Cares operated with a total income of \$5.16 million MXN and total expenses of \$4.9 million MXN. Despite ongoing financial uncertainty and month-to-month fundraising challenges, we maintained operations and continued serving hundreds of individuals each week.

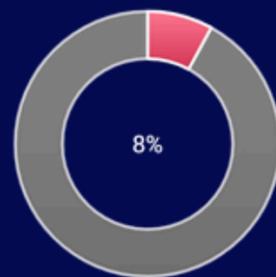
Where the Money Came From



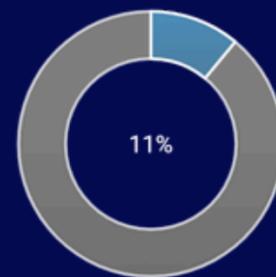
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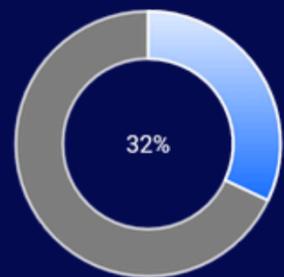
One-time donations



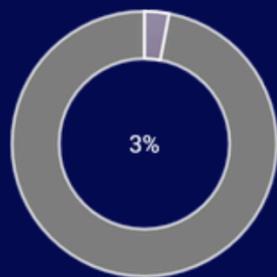
PayPal contributions



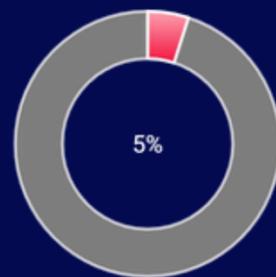
Checks and direct deposits



Grants (3 total)

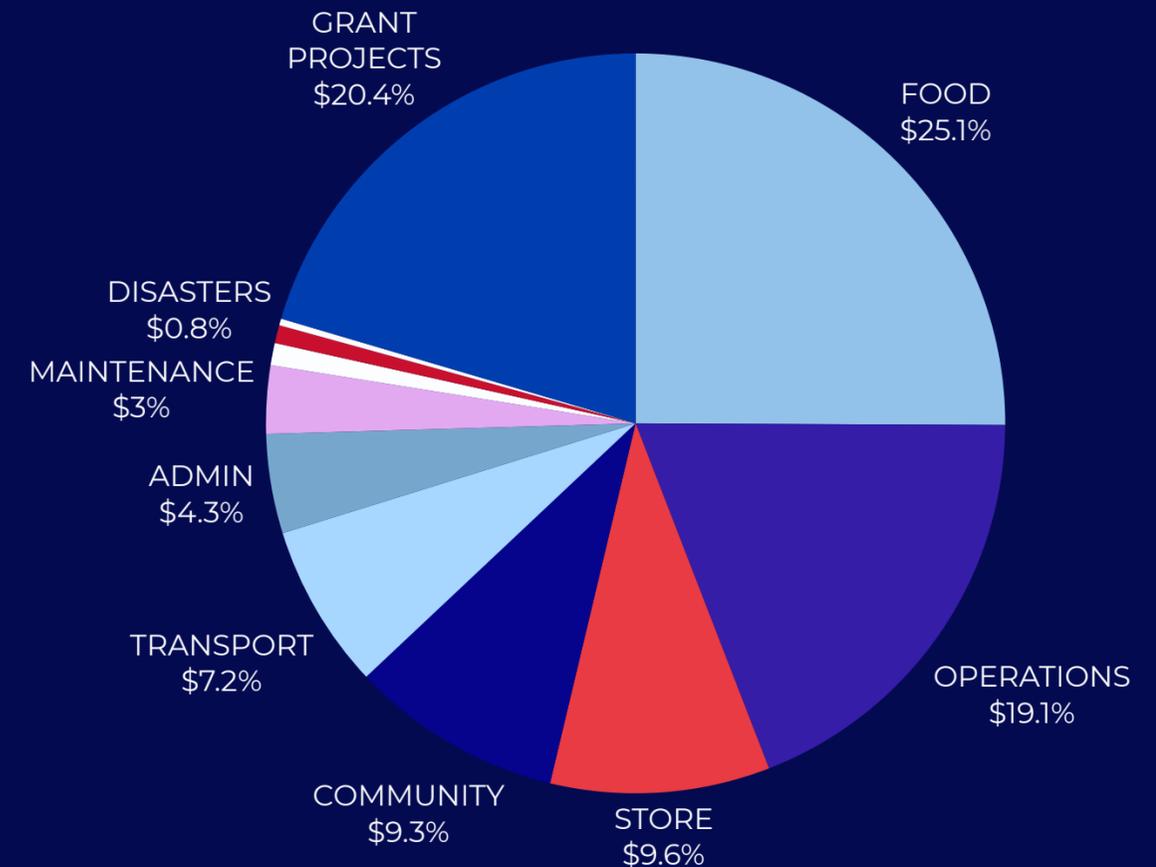


Church and community partners



Events and Bazaar

How the money was used



A Transparent Commitment

Vallarta Cares remains fully compliant with Mexican and US nonprofit regulations and operates with strict transparency and integrity. Every contribution directly strengthens programs that serve real people in real need.

Stories of Impact

Chuy: A Commitment That Continues

Since 2021, Vallarta Cares has supported Chuy and his family — a mother, father, and two sons living in a rural town 1.5 hours from Puerto Vallarta. Both boys have cerebral palsy, and Chuy, who is nonverbal, also suffers from severe seizures.

This summer, Chuy was hospitalized for several weeks. His mother stayed by his side, struggling to afford food and temporary accommodations while he fought to recover.

Vallarta Cares stepped in with consistent food support and helped secure donations for his urgently needed medications. When Chuy was discharged, we knew the help could not stop there. Through our community, we found him a “godmother” who now contributes monthly to cover his medication costs — ensuring his treatment continues without interruption.



Edwin: The Power of Immediate Compassion

While visiting Chuy at the hospital, we met Edwin — a young boy who had been run over and suffered a broken arm and fractured femur. The hospital lacked the specialized surgical equipment needed, and his mother was told she would have to find and purchase the materials herself.

That same day, after sharing Edwin’s story with a local business owner, the supplies were fully funded.

Edwin received the surgery he needed.

This is the power of community.

This is what happens when compassion moves quickly.



Rebuilding Hope: A Rural School Project

Earlier this year, Vallarta Cares learned about a small rural school located nearly two hours south of Puerto Vallarta. The school serves just 12 students, yet it represents the only opportunity for education in the community.

When we first visited to deliver refurbished desks and chairs, what we found was heartbreaking. The building, more than 40 years old, had suffered severe structural damage during Hurricane Lidia three years earlier. With little to no government support and limited economic resources, parents had done what they could to make the space usable — but it was far from safe or adequate for children.

We knew this was not enough. These students deserved a secure and healthy environment in which to learn.

Vallarta Cares returned to the community multiple times, camping on-site for several days while beginning restoration work using leftover materials from previous projects. Together with parents, we developed a plan to rebuild the school and improve its functionality, including repairs to the structure and the creation of a safe outdoor area where students could eat and participate in activities.

However, progress was unexpectedly interrupted later in the year when a devastating forest fire destroyed large areas of grazing land. Most families in the community depend on cattle for their livelihood, and many of the men were forced to leave — either to relocate their livestock or to seek temporary work elsewhere. For months, there were few able-bodied workers available to continue the reconstruction.

Toward the end of the year, we were deeply encouraged to see families returning and the project resuming. With renewed community effort, the school is now nearing completion, including the construction of a small patio where children can safely enjoy their meals.

This project has been made possible through the generosity and collaboration of partners including Elengorn Realtors, Devil's Bar, and a gracious private donor who believed in the importance of investing in rural education.

This is more than rebuilding a school.

It is rebuilding opportunity, dignity, and hope for an entire community.



Our Partners: Stronger Together

Vallarta Cares does not work alone. Our impact is made possible through the generosity, collaboration, and shared commitment of businesses, faith communities, and local leaders who believe in building a stronger, more compassionate region. In 2025, our partners included:

These partners contributed in different ways — through financial support, food donations, volunteer engagement, sponsorships, in-kind contributions, and advocacy.

Some provide consistent monthly support. Some respond immediately in moments of crisis. Some open their doors so we can reach more people.

Each partnership represents trust — and together, they allow Vallarta Cares to extend its reach far beyond what would be possible alone. This is community in action.



Looking Ahead to 2026

**2025 taught us resilience.
2026 will be about stability, expansion,
and deeper transformation.**



As we move forward, Vallarta Cares remains committed not only to sustaining our work, but to expanding it responsibly and strategically. Our priorities for 2026 include:

Strengthening Financial Sustainability
We are working to grow recurring monthly support and diversify funding sources so that our core operations are secure and no longer dependent on month-to-month uncertainty. Stability will allow us to focus on innovation rather than survival.

Expanding Strategic Partnerships
Collaboration remains at the heart of our model. We will continue building alliances with businesses, healthcare professionals, community leaders, and organizations that share our commitment to dignity and service.

Launching the Mobile Modular Clinic
One of our most transformative projects moving into 2026 is the deployment of our Mobile Modular Clinic.

This unit will allow us to bring:

- Doctors
- Dentists
- Nutritionists
- Podiatrists

And other healthcare professionals directly into rural and underserved communities where access to care is extremely limited.

Beyond healthcare, the Mobile Modular Unit will also serve as a critical resource during emergencies — providing essential communication support, medical attention, and logistical assistance during wildfires, hurricanes, and other disasters. This initiative represents a major step forward in shifting from reactive aid to proactive, preventative care.





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To our donors, volunteers, partners, and community members: Thank you for standing with Vallarta Cares through uncertainty, growth, and renewal. Your trust and support allowed us to continue serving thousands of individuals across multiple communities, even during challenging times.

Vallarta Cares is a legally established nonprofit organization in Mexico (Alacena por Amor a Vallarta), fully compliant with government regulations and committed to transparency and accountability. We also operate a registered 501(c)(3) organization in the United States, allowing international donors to support our work while all programs are carried out in Mexico.

Together, we are building a future rooted in dignity, solidarity, and hope.