



**SACRED  
VALLEY  
PROJECT**

# **2018 IMPACT REPORT**



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# A PROUD MOMENT

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Each year, a large number of girls apply for a place at SVP with the desire to study. We try to support each request because we know that a “No” can change her life forever. Many girls from the remote communities where we work still walk long hours over treacherous mountain passes to reach secondary school, or are forced to forgo school altogether. The reality of this means earlier marriage and pregnancy, lower wages (if they have the opportunity to work at all), and most significantly, a life without choice for her future. We are fortunate that girls who start their studies and live in the SVP dorm and education center successfully complete secondary school.

Your support is making all of the difference. Girls who participate in our program are becoming confident, hardworking young women. Their energy is inspirational and their perspectives on life are remarkable. Our investment in their education sparks their interests, strengths, and their aspiration to do great things. With this step towards breaking the cycle of poverty, whether that means returning to their communities with a high school diploma or continuing on to pursue a university degree, we are proud of each and everyone of our students, and I ask you to join me in this proud moment.

Thank you for making the choice to change the lives of so many young women in Peru,



**Alex Ball**

Founder & President  
*Sacred Valley Project*

# IMPACT IN 2018

HOW YOUR SUPPORT MADE A DIFFERENCE:

**1,920  
HOURS**

of tutoring  
provided

**21,600  
HEALTHY  
MEALS**

**24,480  
HOURS**

of travel  
time saved

**100% OF  
STUDENTS**

passed all of  
their courses

**48 GIRLS  
SERVED**

35 boarding students  
and 13 additional girls  
in after-school tutoring

**100% OF  
SENIORS**

graduated from  
the SVP program

**26 RURAL  
COMMUNITIES  
SERVED**

**8 JOBS  
CREATED**

for community  
members

**75% OF  
STAFF ARE  
FEMALE**

# HIGHLIGHTS

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Your support makes each year a little bit more special, a little more successful than the last, and even more meaningful for girls who didn't think they'd have a chance to get an education. We invite you to read on for more details on what we saw, learned and achieved in 2018. Thank you for helping make all of this happen!

2018 was the beginning of working to improve our focus on the holistic view of our program, focusing on supporting not just academics, but all aspects of each girls life. In 2018, we supported 48 students between our Calca and Ollantaytambo locations.



# YEAR IN REVIEW



## FIRST IN HER CLASS

For the second year in a row, Ruth Medaly finished FIRST in her class! What an amazing accomplishment. Thank you for making it possible for her to achieve her full potential again this year. We are so glad she gets to shine in school EVERY DAY!



## HEALTH & WELLNESS

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In collaboration with our partners, the *Latin American Foundation for the Future* and *She's the First*, the girls received supplemental education workshops that covered topics such as sexuality, health, human rights, self-esteem, and vocational guidance among others.

We introduced menstrual cups to our girls, which will save them money in the long run and provide them with sanitary care that they need so they can focus on the important things in life. The girls attended health awareness seminars in Ollantaytambo as well as an ophthalmological awareness campaign in Urubamba.



# EXTRACURRICULAR

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Sacred Valley Project seniors visited Ausangate as well as the jungle, and we facilitated travel to Mendozayoc with students from that community. Girls from both dormitories participated in recreational activities, sports, dance, and other meaningful events in and around the community (school festivities, holy days, and national holidays).



## COMMUNITY SERVICE

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Elizabeth, Mariela and Yackeline gave workshops on gender in their communities as part of the Women Leaders Project facilitated by She's the First. They received the leadership training through a *She's the First* program hosted by MAIA Impact in Guatemala, and then they presented the model in their Andean communities. We are so proud that they are sharing their knowledge with their families and community members!

# POST-SECONDARY DEVELOPMENT

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All four SVP seniors—Elizabeth, Mariela, Nilda, and Yackeline—graduated in 2018. Not only did all SVP seniors graduate, but we are proud to report that all four SVP graduates have plans to continue their studies! We couldn't be prouder that they are headed off in search of what makes them happy and fulfilled.

Join us in giving a warm congratulations to all four girls who have worked SO hard, overcome obstacles and who have achieved their degrees. Congrats ladies! We can't wait to hear more about your next steps!



## ELIZABETH

*Elizabeth is working in hotel administration while she applies for a university scholarship.*



## MARIELA

*Mariela is studying business administration in Urubamba and also interning part time at the Sacred Valley Project bakery, T'anta Wasi.*



## YACKELINE

*Yackeline is working towards enrolling in a singing academy next year in Cusco; she plans to work a local job to earn enough money to pay for the academy.*



## NILDA

*Nilda is living in Cusco with her siblings and studying hotel administration.*



# DORMITORY CONSTRUCTION

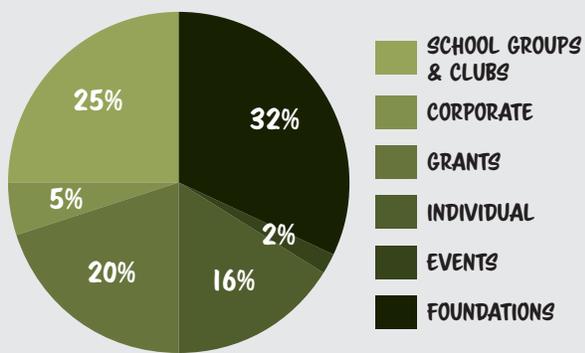
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Thanks to Circle of Women, and many student volunteers, we made big advancements on construction of the Calca dormitory. In 2018 we finished the study rooms for tutoring classes, made some necessary kitchen finishes, completed the bathrooms and showers. We also installed solar thermal equipment! We are so grateful to the many groups of volunteers who worked on all of the different tasks they were handed at both dorms.

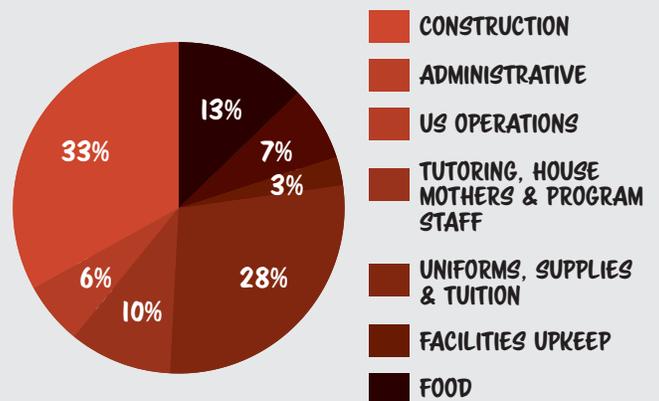
# FINANCIALS

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## CONTRIBUTIONS



## EXPENSES



## GET INVOLVED

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Through PayPal, you can make a one time, tax deductible donation or you can sign up to become a monthly donor!

When you become a monthly donor, you join a special group of people reaching out each month to support young girls in their pursuit of an education with the drive and potential to succeed. Monthly donors create sustainability for the project and as little as \$10 a month can make a huge impact in one year.

### YOU CAN ALSO SEND A CHECK ADDRESSED TO:

*Sacred Valley Project  
33 Stephen Street  
Montclair, NJ 07042*

# THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

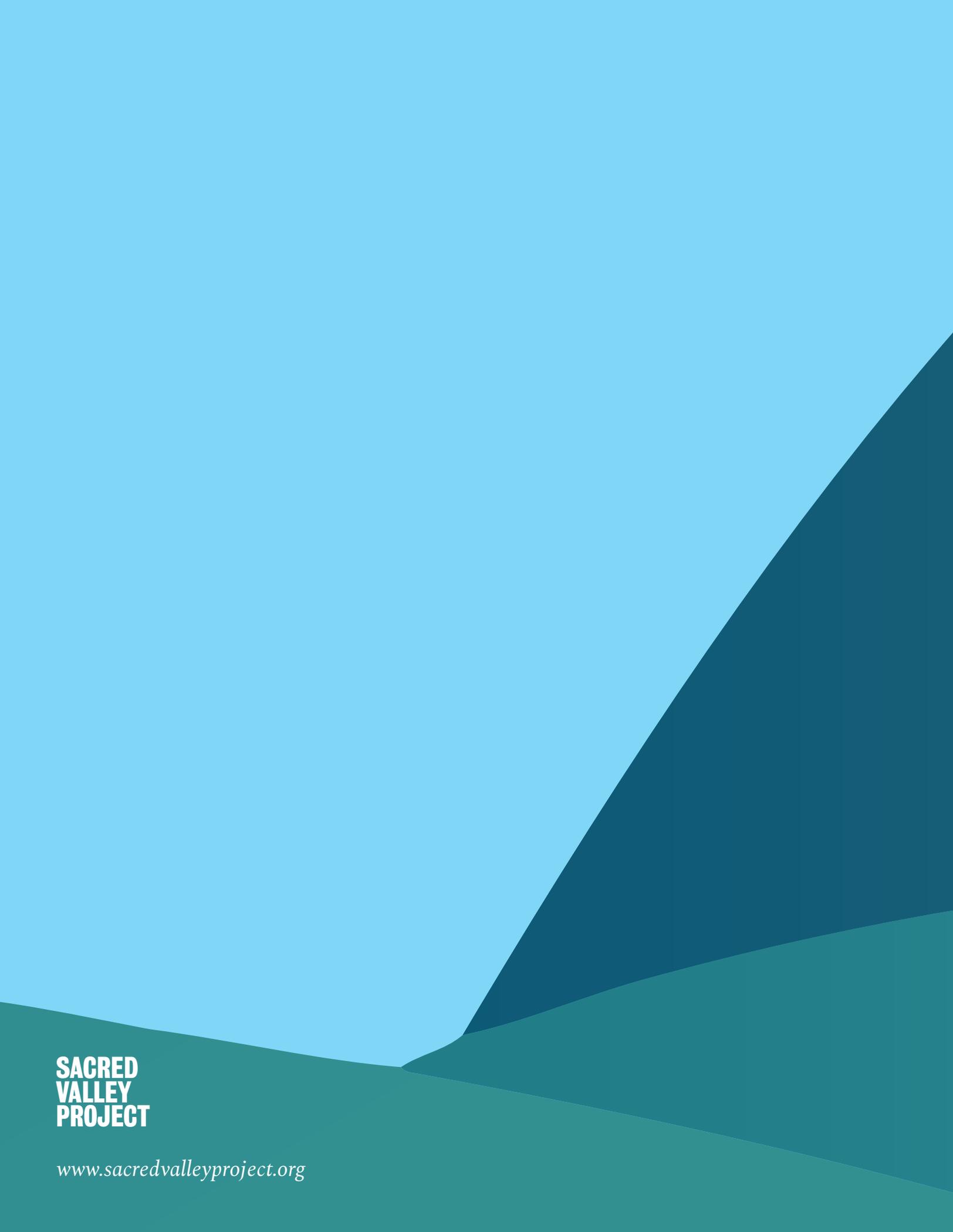
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From the Sacred Valley Project Leadership Team, thank you to all of the generous individuals, foundations, corporations and philanthropic student organizations who make it possible for the *Sacred Valley Project* to provide access to education, tutoring and a nurturing home to study for girls from remote communities in the Andes who wouldn't otherwise have the chance at completing their secondary education.

Donations of any amount can make a meaningful impact on the education Sacred Valley Project offers to these girls, including these supplies and services:

	<u>MONTHLY</u>	<u>SINGLE</u>
 SCHOOL UNIFORMS	\$5	\$60
 SCHOOL SUPPLIES	\$10 FOR FIVE GIRLS	\$25 FOR ONE GIRL
 NUTRITIOUS MEALS	\$25 FOR ONE WEEK	\$100 FOR ONE MONTH
 TUTOR FOR A YEAR	\$100	\$1,200





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