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2023 Annual Report

THANK YOU



The Funax Board of Directors and operational staff are pleased to share with you the 2023 annual report, which summarizes the activities carried out and the management of resources obtained for the benefit of our community.

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Ricardo Mora Díaz
Chairman of the Board
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MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD

Today, we celebrate an extraordinary achievement. Thanks to the collective efforts of the community, businesses, and the municipal and state governments, we have successfully preserved the heart of Funax: Fab Lab Juárez - Digital Fabrication Laboratory. This space is not merely a center for innovation and learning; it's a fundamental pillar in our mission to transform lives by providing opportunities and inspiring youth and children through **STEAM-based education (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Mathematics)**. It's here where creativity meets technology, and where dreams become real projects.

Fab Lab Juárez has been a place where ideas come to life, where people connect, collaborate, and create a better future for our community. This success confirms that, when we unite around a common goal and generously give what we can, there is no limit to what we can accomplish.

We are deeply grateful for the unconditional support we have received. Every visit to our space offers an opportunity to inspire, educate, and empower someone new. We want our mission to continue growing and for the impact of Fab Lab Juárez to multiply, benefiting more students.

Together, let's keep moving forward, connecting and building a legacy of innovation and education for the benefit of our entire community.

Thank you for being a part of this great story!

ABOUT FUNAX

Funax is an organization dedicated to developing talent through technology and digitalization. Our work involves directly engaging with beneficiaries and their immediate surroundings. It was established in 2013 and has been a part of the Technology HUB business and innovation center since 2016.

Our primary goal is to spark projects that promote the development of skills focused on **STEAM** abilities (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Math).

SOME OF OUR ACTIVITIES INCLUDE:

- Social development in innovation, entrepreneurship, and SME-support projects (Small and Medium-sized Enterprises).
- High-value technology and digital training.
- Exposure and accessibility to new technologies.
- Connection with allies and strategic stakeholders.





MISSION

To empower the community through education, tech skills training, and the use of digital tools, to spark entrepreneurship and innovation projects that foster social development, connect people, and improve their quality of life.

VISION

To be the premier regional philanthropic model for developing leaders through innovative social projects that positively impact community quality of life.



OUR PROJECTS

Fab Lab Juárez

Microsoft Teals Program

Fab Lab Móvil

Fab Lab En Movimiento

The Bridge Accelerator

Prisma Emprendedor



A RESPONSIBLE ORGANIZATION

Throughout 2023, Funax focused its efforts on the Juárez-El Paso border region, implementing six projects that fostered creativity, initiative, and STEAM knowledge among children, youth, and adults in various institutions.

In November 2018, Funax earned CONFÍO, A.C.'s Transparency and Good Practices Accreditation Badge for the first time. Since then, it has upheld its commitment, renewing the accreditation every two years.

- The transparency and institutional integrity of Civil Society Organizations (CSOs).
- Responsible giving by those looking to collaborate and/or make social investments.

Each year, Confío grants exclusive use of a badge to the Civil Society Organizations it evaluates. This badge aims to strengthen donor confidence in these organizations and highlight the CSO's commitment.



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IMPACT

35,172

Direct Beneficiaries



6

Projects



13

Alliances



32

Donors



\$14.07 MXN

Investment



140,688

Indirect Beneficiaries



NOTE: Some programs were funded in the previous fiscal year and executed in 2024.



Digital Fabrication Training

Fab Lab Juárez is a fabrication laboratory specializing in digital technologies—a space for creating, learning, and sharing knowledge. It promotes entrepreneurship and proactive learning through the creative use of new technologies for experimentation, encouraging participation in various projects to develop skills. Throughout 2023, Fab Lab Juárez delivered 15 recurring workshops to participants aged 5 and up.

598

Beneficiaries

15

Workshops

21

Interns and social service providers

\$410,993 MXN
Investment

"A space where we are trusted".

Alan Soto



Alberto Carrillo

"The program has given me the necessary skills to pursue a career in technology."

TEALS Program

(Technology, Education and Learning Support)

Education in programming languages for high school students.

Aimed at public high school students preparing to pursue technical or university education, Microsoft TEALS offers them advanced educational resources and exposure to professional opportunities in STEM fields. Currently, students are learning Python, and in the next school year, artificial intelligence topics will be incorporated, expanding this knowledge to the municipalities of Chihuahua, Nuevo Casas Grandes, Casas Grandes, Cuauhtémoc, and Juárez.

8

Educational facilities

833

Students

22

Teachers

3

Volunteers

\$837,988 MXN

Investment





"Fab Lab Móvil brought technology to our school."

Mobile Digital Fabrication Training

In 2023, Fab Lab Móvil reached both shifts at technical middle schools, bringing technology education to students in high-risk areas of Ciudad Juárez, Chihuahua. This project aims to develop knowledge and skills in teenagers, broadening their educational perspectives through workshops in programming and robotics, digital design and 3D prototyping, as well as augmented and virtual reality.

11

Schools

4,459

Beneficiaries

\$1.7 MXN

Investment for the 2023-2024

Fondo Unido
Chihuahua

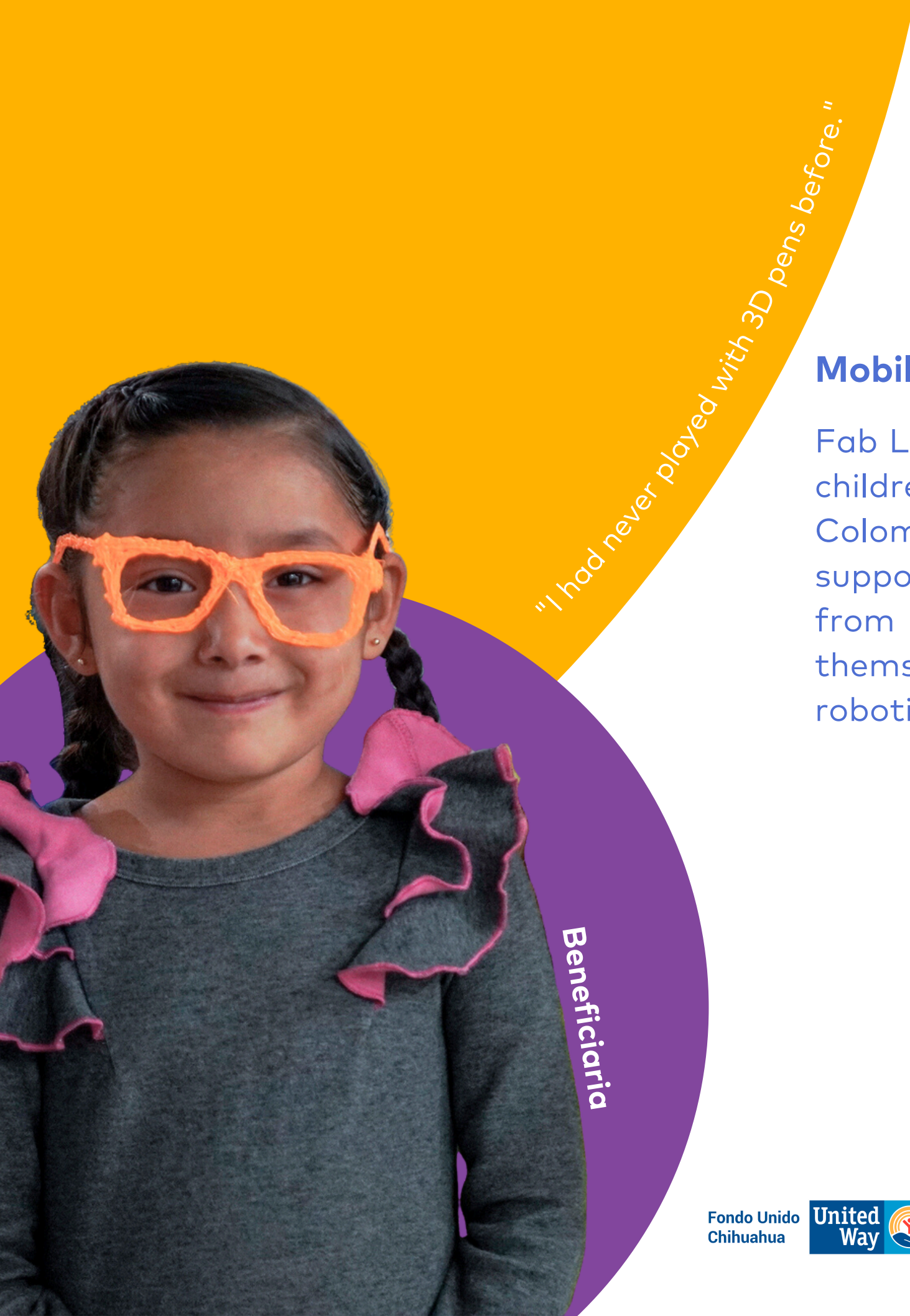


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Ariadna Gómez





"I had never played with 3D pens before."

Beneficiaria



Mobile Digital Fabrication Training in Shelters

Fab Lab en movimiento reached six community shelters, benefiting 419 children and teenagers from countries including Honduras, El Salvador, Colombia, Venezuela, Guatemala, Haiti, and Mexico. Thanks to the support of Fondo Unido - United Way Chihuahua, with investments from Johnson & Johnson and Microsoft, participants immersed themselves in the worlds of virtual reality, digital fabrication, and robotics. This provided an enriching experience of learning and fun.

6

Shelters

419

Beneficiaries

\$812,217 MXN
Investment

Fondo Unido
Chihuahua



Johnson & Johnson







Training to Strengthen the Economy

The Bridge Accelerator is an intensive, binational program, up to 12 weeks long, designed to accelerate the growth of supply chain businesses within the manufacturing industry on both sides of the border. Its goal is to increase the participation of local companies as suppliers to large manufacturers in the binational Paso del Norte region.

This specialized program is designed for companies with high growth potential and proven capabilities to become suppliers for the region's manufacturing companies.

11

Participating
companies

2

Demo Days

+ 750

Jobs created
(2019-2024)

+ \$96 MDD USD

Million USD
Purchase orders
(2019-2024)

\$230,000 USD
Investment



"This opportunity has been
vital for my company's growth."

Alberto Sáenz



Yadira Hinojos

"Thank you! Now I can see the future of my venture more clearly."



Training for Self-Employment

This 12-week program, designed to boost the entrepreneurial skills of young adults aged 18 to 35 in the northwest area of Ciudad Juárez, utilizes the PRISMA social economy methodology. During this period, it aims to strengthen participants' entrepreneurial projects, helping them solidify and formalize their initiatives, thereby improving their quality of life and expanding their personal and professional development opportunities.

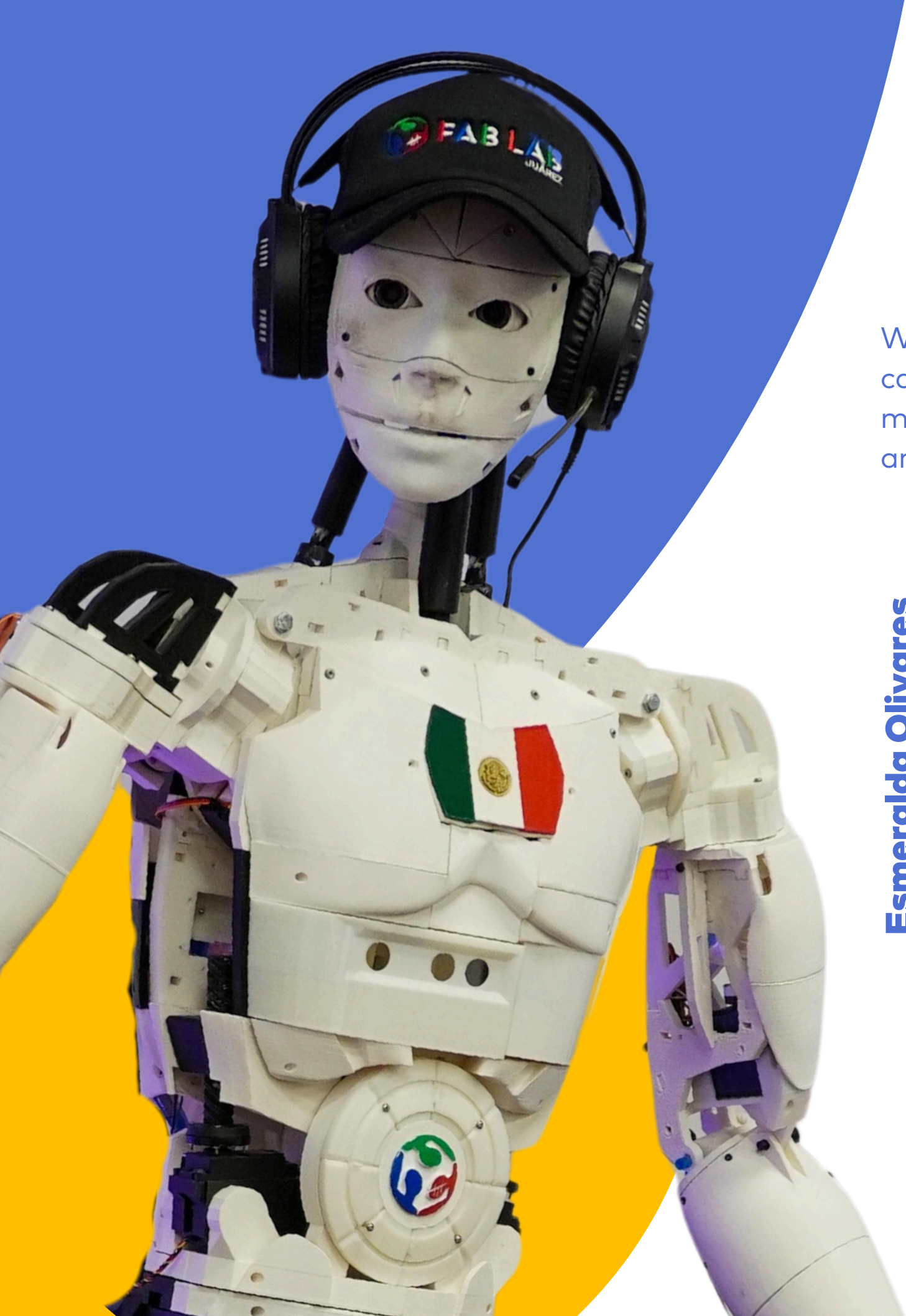
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Generations

82
Beneficiaries

30
Projects

\$684,529 MXN
Investment





SALVEMOS FAB LAB JUÁREZ

We thank all the people, institutions, and organizations that joined our campaign to save Fab Lab Juárez. Their generosity and commitment made it possible for us to continue to be a space of inspiration, learning, and creativity for our community.

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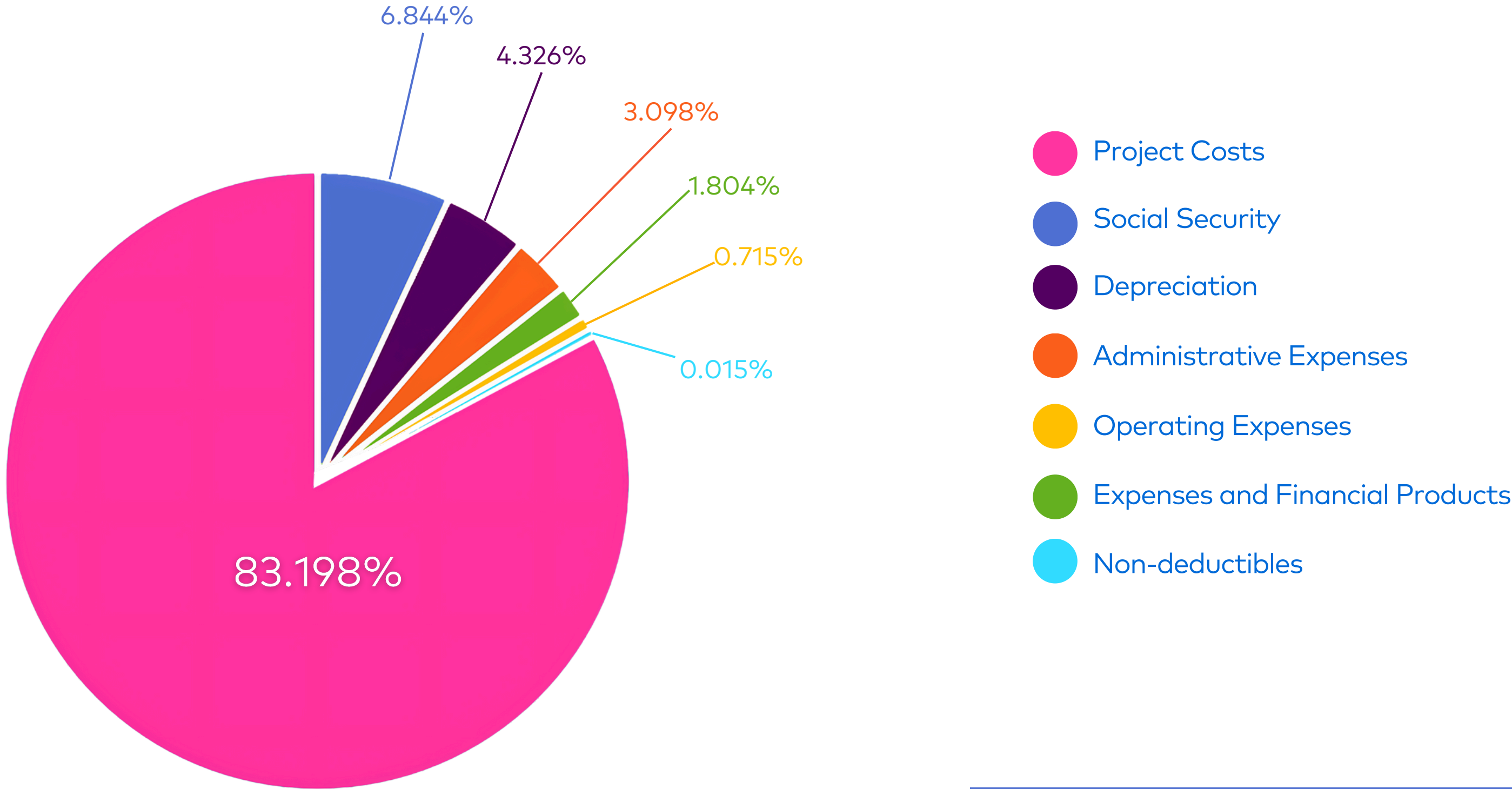
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OTHER ALLIANCES

- Campaña "10 años, 10 toneladas" (10 Years, 10 Tons Campaign) Banco de alimentos de Ciudad Juárez
- Science and Technology Week COBACH
- NODESS
- StartUp Weekend - StartUp Chihuahua
- Hackaton - StartUp Chihuahua
- Amor Eternamente Muerto - Productora 11
- Automation and Robotics Forum at CBTIS 114
- Exhibition - La Rodadora Espacio Interactivo
- Velada telescópica (Telescopic Evening) - La Rodadora Espacio Interactivo
- Yoga Class - FitSoul
- IPN 11K 2023 Kids' Race - IPN CIITA
- Volunteer Management System – Cehlíder
- InspirAcción Juvenil - Fechac
- Progress 321 - El Paso Everywhere
- Cybersecurity Network - Talleres de ciberseguridad mujeres
- Consulate General of Mexico in El Paso - Demo Day TBXL
- Competitiveness Forum - Centro de Competitividad Chihuahua
- Museo del desierto Chihuahuense, Instituto de Innovación y Competitividad I2C, Microsoft - Space Lab
- My Machine - Desafío Juárez
- COMPECER - The Bridge Accelerator
- Integratón - Fundación Integra
- NCW Tech Alliance - Microsoft
- FITFest2023 - BOSCH
- EP & O - The Bridge Accelerator
- Entrepreneurship Caravan – SIDE



2023 EXPENSES



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We extend our warm gratitude to every member of the team: the parents, directors, and teachers who supported our educational projects. Special thanks go to our social service providers and young interns who not only conveyed their dedication and ideas, but also their values.

Their enthusiasm and commitment enrich the work of Funax.

#TeamFunax
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DONORS AND ALLIES

The spirit of solidarity from our donors, allies, and collaborators allows us to continue combining efforts to improve the quality of life in our border region.



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Thank you!

JOIN US!

BECOME ONE OF OUR ALLIES AND HELP US DEVELOP MORE INNOVATION PROJECTS FOR OUR COMMUNITY.

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