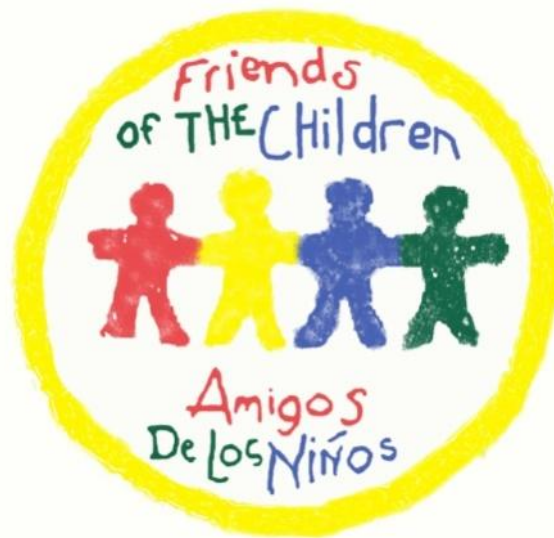


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# Amigos de los Niños History

**Amigos de los Niños de Cabo San Lucas, A.C. (ADLN)** was founded and incorporated in 1991 in Los Cabos Mexico as a charitable nonprofit organization whose vision is to seek and provide quality medical attention for children in need. **ADLN** is an authorized 'Donataria'; this is the Mexican legal status allowing us to offer tax deductible receipts. Our Mission Statement:

**Amigos de los Niños provides quality health care in Los Cabos to children up to the age of 18 who have no other means of receiving same or whose health care provider is deficient arranging for external medical consultations, organized clinics and assistance in setting up medical treatment for special cases of the severely ill or disabled.**

**ADLN** has provided biannual **Free ENT-Audiology Clinics** supplying hearing aids at no cost to hearing impaired children since our founding in 1991. Over these 20 plus years more than 1,000 aids have been donated. This in kind service for the children has a value of over one million US dollars and has enabled many children to improve inter-family communication and develop social and educational opportunities that otherwise would not have been possible for them thus significantly impacting their positive development.

During the past six years **ADLN** has offered a **Free Pediatric Dental Clinic** for the children of the Los Niños del Capitan School and the CSL Special Needs School. This specialized pro bono medical service has a value of \$300,000 US and has been offered to over 250 children improving their dental health and teaching them and their families the basics of dental

hygiene. **ADLN** management can also observe these children and provide additional medical care where needed.

**Amigos de los Niños** provided the infrastructure, organization, administration and the essential on-the-ground efforts that were instrumental for the start of the **Pediatric Oncology Unit of BCS**. Over six years **ADLN** sent over 60 of these unfortunate children to our neighbors at the Sinaloa Pediatric Hospital for their cancer treatments. This was accomplished by interaction and cooperation with government and private institutions. This effort inspired the State of Baja California Sur to hire a Pediatric Oncologist and create the State's first ever pediatric cancer care. This service now has been operational three years, **ADLN** continues to supply cancer meds, medical services and travel expenses for children as well as providing emotional aid for their families. **ADLN** will continue to work with this project and these small and valiant warriors as long as we are needed.

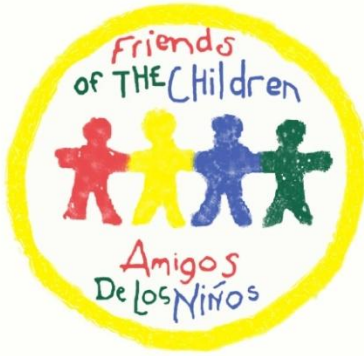
**Amigos de los Niños** has also provided the means for 15 children to travel to the US for open heart surgeries and procedures. **ADLN** finds and identifies possible patients through **Free Pediatric Cardio Clinics** and then networks with a US Foundation to receive the children and their family for the surgeries at Omaha Children's Hospital in Omaha Nebraska. After they return, **ADLN** continues to see the children regularly and attend to their ongoing medical needs. In the next step forward for this care, **ADLN** is the gateway for referring cardio children from Los Cabos to a BCS Secretary of Health/NGO clinic in La Paz manned by a team of medical specialist from Omaha Children's Hospital.

For other **ADLN Special Case Children**, we provide medical consultation and medicine for the control of chronic illness or conditions and medical care or travel when necessary.

With the victory brought by 8 years of diligent work towards the **BCS Pediatric Oncology Project** and gaining the State Government's involvement in

providing this care, **ADLN** and our Board of Directors began contemplating the future to determine the appropriate direction to capitalize on the focus and potential of our organization. **ADLN** has come to the conclusion that building our own clinic space to accommodate our **ADLN Free Clinics** in **Pediatric Dentistry, ENT- Audiology, Pediatrics** and **Pediatric Cardiology** plus an **ADLN Conference Room** to start **Support Groups** for families going through difficult situations of childhood illness and loss should be the focus for our next project.

By adding a second floor to the building **ADLN** has owned since 1993, **Amigos de los Niño** is starting a three year project to raise funds through an organized **ADLN Project Campaign** to build, equip and occupy this additional space for our **ADLN Free Clinics** and **Special Cases**.



## Amigos de los Niños Clinic Project Description

**ADLN** owns a five room two bath house in Colonia Aurora in Cabo San Lucas, BCS, Mexico. It currently has approximately 111 sq meters of space which is used as offices for the Executive Director, the Director of Clinics and Special Cases and the Assistant to the Directors plus a reception area and a storage room.

The **Amigos de los Niños** project goal is to expand the potential and efficiency of our **ADLN Free Clinics** and **Special Case** care and counseling by building a second floor for medical consultation and meeting space to accommodate the foreign and local physicians who wish to work with us to better the health of Los Cabos youngsters in need.

The first phase of the project will be for construction of a second floor of a little over 111 sq meters with a cost of \$120,000 US. It will take an estimated 4 month to complete construction.

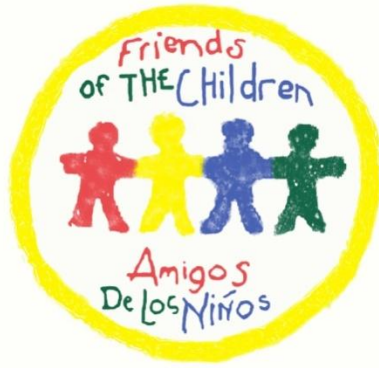
During this period the **ADNL** Staff will rent another building in the same area so that our patients and families can continue to have easy access for services and, we will also have the storage space for the office equipment while under construction. The rental cost will be approximately \$300 US per month for a total of \$1,200. The moving costs are estimated at \$1,000 US.

The new space on a second floor will be designed to house an **ADLN Pediatric and Pediatric Cardiology Consultation Room** with an echo cardiogram machine to diagnose children with heart issues. A retired Pediatric Cardiologist who has been volunteering his services pro bono to **ADLN** for the past 18 years as well as the BCS General Hospitals newly hired Pediatric Cardiologist will give us expert advice and leadership for this part of the project.

An **ADLN Pediatric Dental Room** with two chairs and equipment for two dentists will be designed by the Pediatric Dentist who has been working pro bono with **ADLN** for the past six years. His experience and leadership as an owner of his own dental offices in Olympia Washington will allow us to build an exceptional area for these clinics for which we have many dentist who would like to volunteer.

Also projected is an **ADLN ENT-Audio Consultation Room** with hearing testing equipment and space for three physicians to work on fitting and supplying hearing aids for children. For over 20 years three US Physicians/Audiologist have volunteered with **ADLN** to provide this service to the community, their expertise and knowledge of the children we serve will help us establish an excellent clinic area with the needed equipment.

The expansion will also have a large meeting room which will facilitate support groups and early diagnosis awareness presentations. **ADLN** is currently preparing several mothers to lead support groups by sending them to seminars on grief counseling and end of life preparation (Tanatology). **Amigos de los Niños** and our Pediatricians and Oncologist have prepared childhood cancer awareness presentation which will be given for groups invited to expand the awareness of what to look for in children to promote timely, life saving diagnosis. These would include other NGO's, Firemen, Police and other public servants who are in touch with the community.



# Amigos de los Niños ADLN Clinic Project Cost

## Phase One:

The estimated cost for design and finished construction of 'The ADLN Clinic Project' is \$120,000 US. The space provided will be a little over 111 sq. mts. housing 4 main rooms and two bathrooms. These rooms will be designated as the following:

Pediatric Dentist Room  
ENT/Audiology Room  
Pediatric - Pediatric Cardiology Room  
Meeting Room

## Phase Two:

Phase two of the project will be the completion of each area with the medical equipment necessary for efficient and professional service for our children.

The cost of equipping each of these medical consultation areas:

### **Pediatric Dentistry: Total \$25,000**

1. Two Pediatric Dental Chairs and Delivery Systems with Lights \$12,200
2. Voltage Controls \$500
3. Air Compressor \$3,295
4. Vacuum Pump \$1,495
5. Air-Water Separator \$219
6. Oral X Ray \$3,995
7. Autoclave Sterilizer \$3,295

**ENT/Audiology Total Equipment \$6,500, Hearing Aids \$8,000 per year**

1. High Power BTE Aids 40 per year at \$200 each = \$8,000
2. Audiometer \$3,000
3. Tympanometer \$3,500

**Pediatrics/Pediatric Cardiology: \$45,000 (Seeking donated equipment)**

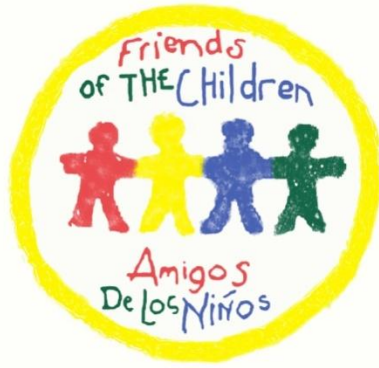
1. Echo Cardiogram Machine
2. Electro Cardiogram Machine
3. Holter
4. Oximetro

**Meeting Room: \$3,500**

1. Lap Top-Projector-Screen (Have)
2. LED Screen-VDV \$1,000
2. Chairs-Tables \$1,000
3. Bookcase \$500
4. Library \$1,000

The moving, storage and temporary quarters for the ADLN Office will be approximately \$2,200 US



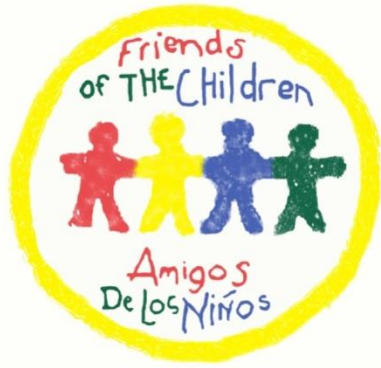


## Amigos de los Niños ADLN Clinic Project Timeline

The availability of appropriate funding will mark the starting date for the beginning of the **ADLN Clinic Project**. We wish to have 100% of the construction cost in pocket at the starting date. The estimate for this date is the first quarter of 2015 with completion of construction in four months from start date.

With the completion of Phase One we will immediately begin Phase two the equipping of the medical facilities. We will be searching for donated or low cost equipment in a parallel timeline to the planning and construction of the **ADLN Clinic Project**.

**ADLN** has several resources to start this search through our previous relationships with US Hospitals and the physicians who have been providing our **ADLN Free Clinics** to date, other resources will be actively sought and many will surely become visible during the search. The estimated finish date for a child ready clinic space will be for the first quarter of 2016.



## Amigos de los Niños ADLN Clinic Future Use

The ADLN History shows how the **ADLN Free Clinics** have been a fundamental part of the organization since its founding to date 23 years later. The number of children and families impacted by this work is enormous and it is our plan to make them even more important and available to the community's children for the future.

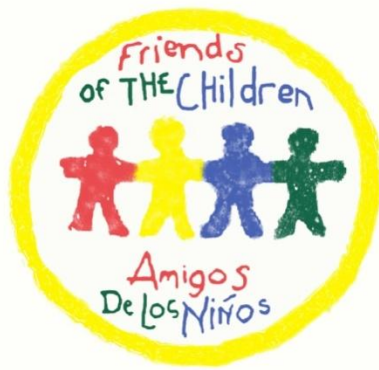
Up to this point **ADLN** had to look for and obtain space and /or equipment on loan for these **ADLN Free Clinics** on a can use basis, not necessarily our own timeline or that of our volunteering physicians.

Having our own **ADLN Clinic** space on our own premises will allow us to generate **ADLN Free Clinics** with less planning time and more action time. If a physician offers pro bono time and talent to produce one of these specialty clinics we will not have to lose time looking for and securing a place to hold the clinic. As an example, instead of one or two dental clinics per year, **ADLN** could produce as many as six; this would make bi monthly dental clinics available for the patients.

Another benefit of having our own clinic space would be to allow local pediatric specialist to schedule their volunteer time with **ADLN**. More and more local medical professionals want to become involved with **ADLN**; the clinic space will optimize those opportunities and produce more benefits for the children.

An important facet for using this space is to make available meeting room for support groups. **ADLN** has walked by the side of many families on their journey though an **ADLN Special Case** child's sever or chronic illness. The executive staff of **ADLN** has completed a three course diploma for grief

support and end of life preparedness and support. We wish to put this experience at the service of the children and their families as well as to open our doors to local specialist in the field. Families and indeed anyone who has need of support and accompaniment during these ordeals would be welcomed. Having the meeting space available on our own premises will allow us to have groups meeting and lending supervision without interrupting the daily office work and reception of patients at the **ADLN** Office.



## Amigos de los Niños Professional Collaboration ADLN Clinic

Many medical professional have offered their know how to the service of **ADLN Free Clinics** and **Special Case** care in the past. We have gathered a rich abundance of friends and professional contacts though our 23 years of work to provide quality medical care for children.

Each of the specialized **ADLN Clinic** rooms will be overseen and designed by these medical specialists.

In the case of the **ADLN Pediatric Dentistry Clinic**, Dr. Greg Psaltis will be our professional consultant. Dr Psaltis just became the newest member of the **ADLN BOD** and we are privileged to have his advice on this project.

CV: <http://www.psaltis.info/bio.html>

For the **ADLN ENT/Audiology Clinic** our specialists who have volunteered with **ADLN** for the past 20 years will be the go to leadership professional for the project. Dr. Michael Rensink, Dr. Richard Martin and Audiologist James O'Hara will consult to make this a perfect space for hearing impaired children.

CV: <http://hearinghealthmatters.org/hearinprivatepractice/about-judy-huch/>

The new **ADLN Pediatric Cardiology Clinic** space will be overseen by long time **ADLN** volunteers Dr. Richard McFaul and Dr. Alejandro Valderrain as well as Dr. Ricardo Ayala, a Pediatric Cardiologist recently hired by the BCS State Secretariat of Health at their General Hospital in La Paz.

CV: <http://health.usnews.com/doctors/richard-mcfaul-534024> CS

In end of life counseling and grief accompaniment, Tanatologist Enna Medina will be our professional consultant.

CV: [http://www.sociedadmedicahap.com/directorio/134/medina-trevino-enna-maria-/](http://www.sociedadmedicahap.com/directorio/134/medina-trevino-enna-maria/)