



CASA PACIFICA

CENTERS FOR CHILDREN & FAMILIES

Providing Hope & Help

Mr. Richard Villasana
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Dear Mr. Villasana,

On behalf of Casa Pacifica, I sincerely thank you for your specialized family finding service. You located the aunt and other relatives of a child in our care in an obscure part of Mexico. Your organization successfully navigated through extraordinary obstacles and found direct contact information that had long eluded us. Happily, this allowed us to reach the child's family and re-establish a connection and a long-term bond with his only known relatives.

As you know, our non-profit is contracted with Ventura County to perform, among many responsibilities, family finding for the children in foster care. The desired outcome is that by finding family members a child can be placed in a permanent home with loving relatives. Family finding requires us to locate as many relatives as possible. In this way we can eventually identify those family members who will give the child the family connection he/she needs.

The particular case that your organization handled involved a child whose relatives live in a town of less than 200 people with no telephone service, no Internet, and no cell phone reception. Rosie Lopez, Case Manager, was shocked that your charity had any success at all because of the town's remote location and was "so happy" with the results. We consider your organization's ability to track down members of this family under these circumstances as nothing short of miraculous. We have already started the process to reconnect this child with an aunt on the mother's side of the family.

You have proven your services to us in several cases, none of which we had been able to make progress based on our own resources. We are confident that we can count on your continued services in locating family members for other foster children who have relatives still living in Mexico.

Again accept our most sincere appreciation for the work your organization provides to our foster children.

With warmest regards,

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