



IMPACT REPORT

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 **the vines**
foundation



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A high-angle, top-down photograph of a diverse group of approximately 12 people of various ethnicities and ages. They are gathered in a circle on a light-colored wooden floor, looking towards the center. The lighting is soft and focused on the group. The text 'AREAS OF FOCUS' is overlaid in the center in a bold, white, sans-serif font.

AREAS OF FOCUS



The Vines Foundation partners with the local community to create positive change in the Uco Valley. From 2021-2023, The Vines Foundation focused their efforts in providing relief aid in the areas of community health, food insecurity and animal welfare.

- Community Health:
 - **Food Insecurity Initiatives**



Community
Dining

The Foundation collaborates with soup kitchens catering to children in vulnerable situations to assist them with their daily nutrition by providing meals for 3 or 4 days a week. This initiative aims to enhance their development, provide support, and ensure they have access to basic necessities for their growth and education, ultimately fostering healthy adults with opportunities for a better life



Gardens and
Nurseries

We've worked in partnership with INTA (National Institute of Agricultural Technology), to establish a pilot community garden. INTA has provided the seeds and training for the development, maintenance, and continuous improvement of the garden. The idea is to replicate the community garden concept near other soup kitchens to provide fresh produce and serve as a way to educate the community on sustainable food initiatives.

- **Animal Welfare**



A key aspect of the foundation's work is the protection and care of animals. This is achieved through sheltering and adoption management of dogs, providing shelter, food, veterinary care, and responsible adoption for abandoned and mistreated dogs






**RESEARCH-BASED
APPROACH**



In an effort to make informed and solid decisions that maximize our positive impact, we've partnered with student research teams at the Keough School of Global Affairs at the University of Notre Dame in the USA to better understand and identify best practices of global development initiatives. Their asset-based research guides us on how to best accompany change makers in our community to overcome pressing issues. Since 2021, 28 students have devoted their time to do research for The Vines Foundation. Of these students, 4 have traveled to The Vines in Argentina as interns for The Vines Foundation.



A group of children are gathered around a table outdoors. In the foreground, a girl with long dark hair, wearing a pink fuzzy jacket, looks towards the camera. Next to her, a boy in a yellow and grey striped jacket looks towards the right. In the background, other children are visible, some holding orange cups. The scene is set against a clear blue sky and bare trees. The word "IMPACT" is overlaid in the center in a bold, white, sans-serif font.

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Community Kitchens

Since its inception, the foundation has worked in partnership with up to 10 community kitchens throughout Tunuyán, serving an estimated population of 300 children each weekday. Through these programs, over 300,000 nutritious meals have been distributed to needy children, alieving food insecurity and improving community health.



Community Garden Pilot Project

We've also started a pilot community garden project, which not only provides fresh produce for the kitchens but also serves as a way to educate the community on sustainable food initiatives.



Dog Shelters

The foundation has rescued, rehabilitated, and placed over 300 dogs in loving homes since the opening of its shelter. This shelter not only provides a safe haven for dogs but also educates the community about the importance of animal care and responsible adoption.



	2021	2022	2023
Meals	130,595	92,595	93,819
Dogs adopted		134	191

Total meals: 320,009

Total dogs adopted: 325





FINANCIALS



Thanks to the generous contributions from Vines owners, guests, family and friends, The Vines Foundation raised \$243,299.65 in donations from 2021-2023. This support has enabled us to positively impact issues affecting the overall health and wellbeing of our community, specifically in the areas of food insecurity, sustainable food initiatives, nutrition for children, and animal welfare.

Vines Foundation Donations

Years	Donations	Donors
2021	\$27,299.65	13
2022	\$61,450.00	34
2023	\$154,550.00	28
Total	\$243,299.65	



A photograph of two young boys sitting at a table in a community setting. They are wearing blue long-sleeved shirts with a Paw Patrol logo. The boy on the left has his right hand raised, and the boy on the right has his left hand raised. They are both looking towards the camera. In front of them on the table are a yellow plastic pitcher and a light green plastic cup. The background shows other people, including a woman in a grey sweater and pink skirt, and a man in a dark jacket, in what appears to be an outdoor or semi-outdoor area with wooden structures.

LOOKING AHEAD

With three years of experience, engagement and research under our belt, The Vines Foundation is dedicated to continue our efforts in relief aid and also become a leader in long term community development initiatives. This level of engagement requires strong leadership and for this reason, we've formed a board of directors, devised a strategic plan and have hired Maria Malgor as the Executive Director of The Vines Foundation.

Looking ahead, we will step up our investment into the surrounding community in ways that will equip and empower children, adults and families to improve their own lives, most notably through education.

- **Vocational School:** Inspiring research and conversations are underway with community partners to start a vocational school to provide the skills needed for solid jobs, given Mendoza's growing tourism industry and high demand for skilled workers.
- **Community Centers:** We're researching best practices to establish neighborhood-based community centers in the most underserved areas that offer comprehensive services that not only meet the immediate needs of children and families but also promote holistic development, resilience, and community cohesion. They will serve as a vital resource and support system for our community, empowering individuals to thrive and reach their full potential.





THANK YOU
FOR YOUR
SUPPORT

We are profoundly grateful for your generous contribution to The Vines Foundation, the philanthropic arm of The Vines of Mendoza. Your support is invaluable to us, as it enables us to continue our mission of being a catalyst for positive change and development in the Uco Valley of Argentina.

Your dedication to our cause goes beyond mere financial support; it reflects a shared vision to see the Uco Valley flourish as a model of sustainable development, where our initiatives with community partners serve as a blueprint for community-centric progress.

Our programs touch the lives of kids and their families in profound ways. From providing essential services to those in need to fostering economic empowerment and social cohesion, your support drives meaningful change for our neighboring communities.

The distance we go and impact we have depends entirely on the support we receive from Vines owners, guests and friends who care for our greater community.





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