



## **The JOANNE McWILLIAM MEMORIAL FUND**

The Rev. Prof. Joanne McWilliam (1928-2008) was an accomplished and principled Canadian educator and life-long learner who encouraged and demonstrated excellence, perseverance, and kindness. The Fund was created in 2009 to honour the life, commitment to education, and humanitarian interests of the mother of Gonzalo Duarte, Compañeros founder and president.

### **Source of Funds and Accountability**

The JMMF receives funds from Compañeros Inc profits, participant project fees, and from private donors. Financial information about the collection and disbursement of JMMF funds is available upon request and publicly in the annual report of Compañeros Inc. One-time and on-going donors are needed and welcome.

### **Awarding of Funds and Criteria**

Compared to Canada, the cost of public or private education in Nicaragua is low. Your investment has the potential to make a significant difference in the life of an individual.

To address the problem of many students in Nicaragua not completing their studies due to intervening economic challenges and limited educational opportunities, the JMMF awards:

Financial bursaries worth up to CAD\$1,200 per year to four students from the city of Managua enrolled at the secondary, technical, or post-secondary level who demonstrate financial need; commitment to educational plans; voluntary involvement in family and/or community betterment; and, compliance with annual performance and reporting.

### **For giving opportunities please contact:**

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