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Dear Friend of VISEDAL:

For 13 years, you have made it possible for VISEDAL to provide scholarships, food, clothing, medical care, tutoring, and more to amazing children and young adults in Nicaragua. With your support, our scholars have received life-giving resources, encouragement, and opportunities.

We're writing to share the next chapter for VISEDAL: On July 20, **VISEDAL will be acquired by a Nicaraguan organization named [PROCAVIN](#)**.

PROCAVIN's mission is closely aligned with VISEDAL's. The organization provides education and career preparation support for youth in Managua. It currently supports about 200 scholars and has a strong record of success. Its founder and director, Erick Gamez, is an experienced and dedicated champion for underprivileged youth.

VISEDAL scholars will join PROCAVIN immediately after the July 20 acquisition. For the rest of 2020, they will receive the same level of support as they have received from VISEDAL, while also participating in PROCAVIN's programming. In 2021, the legacy VISEDAL scholars will become traditional PROCAVIN scholars. As part of the acquisition, we will transfer all of VISEDAL's assets to PROCAVIN to continue supporting our scholars. We are also ensuring that our staff is well supported throughout this transition.

We are excited to share that **you can continue to support legacy VISEDAL scholars** even after the transition to PROCAVIN. You can do this by donating to a U.S. nonprofit called the Utopia Foundation, which will send 100% of your donation to PROCAVIN. Please visit www.utopiafound.org/partner-program/procavin and see the **enclosed FAQ document** for details. We encourage you to consider supporting the scholars via the Utopia Foundation.

You can also make a final donation [directly to VISEDAL](#)—please just ensure that we receive your donation before August 17, 2020.

You might be wondering why we are making this change. Over the years, the two of us (Dylan and Daniel) have taken on more personal and professional responsibilities, and we can no longer sustainably devote the time and attention that VISEDAL and our scholars deserve. Candidly, coming to this realization has been a journey—and sometimes a challenging one—as we sought to discern the best way to provide for our scholars over the long term. We are thrilled to have encountered PROCAVIN, and we are confident this is the best move for our scholars.

We know you probably have some questions. We have tried to identify and address them in the enclosed FAQ document. Please do not hesitate to reach out with any other questions.

Working with the VISEDAL scholars has been one of the most meaningful experiences of our lives. We are inspired by their strength and determination. We are also honored to have partnered with our incredible board of directors, staff, volunteers, and donors over the years.

Thank you so much for supporting our scholars, VISEDAL, and us. Please consider continuing that support by donating through the Utopia Foundation. You have truly changed lives, and we believe the impact of your support will reverberate throughout Nicaragua for generations.

With gratitude,



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