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Interview with Olga

Interview with Olga Lidia Solis Perez, age 22, who grew up at our home in Oaxaca:

When did you arrive at the children's home? I came when I was 5 years old with my younger sister and 2 younger brothers.

#### Where do you live now?

I currently live in the Tijuana Apartments, which is transitional housing for young adults with FFHM.

#### Are you studying or working?

I am studying and in August I will finish my degree in fashion design. I go to school at the International University of the Californias. I also work full-time as a housekeeper in a motel near the apartments.

### How have you seen Jesus move in your life since you have been with FFHM?

I have very few memories from my life before I arrived at the home. After I came, I saw an open path, a world of possibilities I would not have had before. Reflecting on my life now, I have felt Jesus so closefrom applying and entering university, leaving behind all I knew in Oaxaca, moving to a new state in Mexico, leaving my little sister at the Oaxaca Mission, and





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starting over in a new place totally unknown to me. But I knew that, without a doubt, it was the right thing to do. I have felt cared for, and at every step of the journey God has affirmed that this was the right step to take in my life.

## What relationships have blessed you since arriving with FFHM?

The relationships formed during my time at the Oaxaca children's home and at the Tijuana Apartments have helped shape me into the person I am today. I have kept in contact with some of my caregivers from when I was younger and my sponsors have been a blessing in my life. This has been an essential part of me getting to where I am today.

#### What are your plans after graduation?

I plan to rent an apartment. I also have applied for a few jobs and I'm waiting to hear back to start working in the design and fashion industry. I am really hoping that all things fall into place and that I can achieve this goal.

# What has been a difficult time for you, and how did you resolve it?

Moving to a new state, starting university, and living more independently has been a huge change for me. And now that I must transition to a completely independent life which is hard to think about sometimes. Every day I wake up and do my best to conquer that day. I trust that God will get me through the difficult time and the uncertainty of the





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future. I am enjoying the opportunities that come my way and enjoying the present.

What is one of your favorite memories? When I was at the children's home, the staff were assigned to specific kids, or a sibling set to spend extra time with. My sister and I had the opportunity to go with lan and Elaine Croft. We began to spend a lot of time with them. They would take us out, and sometimes we would spend the night at their house with all my siblings. I went to my first library with them, where I acquired my love for reading. I also started using a sewing machine for the first time with Elaine. Sewing will now be a major part of my career. Those are some of the moments I remember. Ian and Elaine have been people that have marked me, and without a doubt, I will remember them for the rest of my life.

#### Is there anything else you would like to add or share?

I want to thank God and FFHM for the opportunities I have had since I became a part of the ministry. As I finish my degree, a nostalgic feeling comes over me when I remember my childhood and the different stages of my life. As I begin a new chapter; I am extremely grateful for the tools to start a life on my own and change my story.

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