



Casa Canadiense – Pueblito Canada (“Casa – Pueblito”) ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY

Casa Canadiense – Pueblito Canada (“Casa – Pueblito”) acknowledges that climate change and environmental degradation are interconnected with human dignity and development. Poverty and violence have negative impacts on the environment and environmental crises negatively impact human development especially for the most marginalized amongst us.

It therefore recognises its own responsibility to reduce its carbon and environmental footprints and formally commits itself to being an environmentally responsible charity.

To take this forward it commits to the following actions:

1. Casa Canadiense – Pueblito Canada mandates the Board of Directors to take executive responsibility for taking forward and implementing this commitment.
2. They are also requested to report annually on progress made, at Casa Canadiense – Pueblito Canada’s annual general meeting. An audit will be conducted on the following:
 - Carbon footprint with special attention paid to international travel
 - Water consumption
 - Waste production, with special attention paid to waste produced in Nicaragua
 - Paper consumption
 - Other environmental criteria deemed relevant.
3. Casa Canadiense – Pueblito Canada’s annual report will include a summary of this annual environmental audit of the charity.
4. Progress on improvement of Casa Canadiense – Pueblito Canada’s environmental performance will be a standard item quarterly at staff meetings.
5. All staff contracts will include a clause stating that staff will be expected to help Casa Canadiense – Pueblito Canada in carrying out its aim of being an

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environmentally responsible organisation, in how they carry out their day-to-day duties.

6. Induction procedures for new staff will include information on the charity's environmental practices.
7. Casa Canadiense – Pueblito Canada will observe existing environmental legislation as a minimum standard and seek to out-perform current legislative requirements where practical.
8. Casa Canadiense – Pueblito Canada will develop and maintain a sustainable transport policy for their staff and volunteers, seeking to reduce unnecessary travel and making the transport that is necessary as sustainable as possible.

This environmental policy shall be reviewed annually upon its adoption.

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