



## **Project "Uma escola nos Andes" - Peru / Ongoing Project**

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Bolívar is a city of 2.500 inhabitants, located in the heart of the Peru Andes at 3.200 meters above the level of the sea. Its territory hosts 30 little communities spread across a very wide area with difficult access.

We are at the La Libertad region, in its extreme east frontier. Here people typically live from agriculture: some potato culture, hay for the animals and also some dairy cattle. Some people find jobs in public service but the majority of the adult population searches for work in the coast. Men search for work as farmers and women apply for domestic service in some family houses. The consequence of this is that a whole generation practically does not exist in Bolívar; the children live with their grandfathers.

This project comes from a proposal from the parish of Bolivar. It has long been realized that many children do not attend public school, whether for the distance involved, or many families needs that their children work the land.