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### **The Hope Effect to Continue Pioneering Family-Style Orphan Care in Sonora, Mexico**

The Arizona-based nonprofit is the first and only nonprofit organization to receive government approval to facilitate family-style care in the state of Sonora.

**Peoria, AZ:** In December 2021, The Hope Effect signed a contract with the new government of Sonora, Mexico, to continue pioneering family-style orphan care in the capital city of Hermosillo. This marks the continuation of the partnership formed in 2020, when The Hope Effect became the first nonprofit to receive government approval to provide family-style care for orphaned and vulnerable children.

This year, the government in Sonora transitioned to a new administration after the recent election. This new contract solidifies a lasting partnership and ensures that The Hope Effect will be able to provide family-style care in Sonora for years to come. It is a major milestone for The Hope Effect on its mission to change the way the world cares for orphans.

“We are so grateful for the privilege of working alongside the DIF for the good of orphaned and vulnerable children in Sonora,” says Joe Darago, Executive Director and Co-founder of The Hope Effect. “Every child deserves the hope and love only a family can provide.”

The new contract in Sonora comes in the wake of many other successful initiatives and accomplishments of the organization, including its expansion into two new locations in 2021:

- **Michoacán, Mexico** – In 2021, The Hope Effect was invited by the government in Michoacán to pioneer family-style care in the capital city of Morelia.
- **Chiang Mai, Thailand** – The Hope Effect expanded into Southeast Asia in 2021, focusing on reintegration (getting children out of orphanages and into families) and prevention (strengthening families to prevent them from surrendering their children to an orphanage).
- **Chihuahua, Mexico** – The Hope Effect is helping family-style care expand farther, faster. Since early 2019, The Hope Effect has tripled the capacity to provide family-style care in Chihuahua.
- **Santa Rosa de Copán, Honduras** – The Hope Effect is expanding family-style care in this region of Honduras to get more children out of orphanages and into loving families.

To learn more about The Hope Effect’s work in Hermosillo, [click here](#).

**About The Hope Effect:** [The Hope Effect](#) is a 501(c)(3) organization based in Peoria, Arizona, seeking to change the way the world cares for orphans. Co-founded in 2014 by best-selling minimalist author [Joshua Becker](#) and Executive Director Joe Darago, The Hope Effect believes every child deserves a family. Rather than traditional, institutional orphan care, which has damaging effects on children’s physical, emotional, and psychological development, The Hope Effect provides family-based solutions. Family-style care provides opportunities for each child to flourish and thrive while growing up in a loving family.