

BOYS TOWNS OF THE WORLD

More than 100 Years of Stories of Life

1st Virtual Congress, December 12 to 14



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Asociación Cultural

PADRE SILVA

Tuesday, December 12th

More than 100 years of life stories

Prepare for an exciting immersion into over 100 years of lived experiences worldwide!

Meet our iconic founders and passionate leaders and hear the stories that have transformed thousands of lives.

We will discover the profound mission and vision of each Boys Town organization. Our goals are to inspire you, touch your heart, and ignite the flame of curiosity for upcoming sessions.

Don't miss out!

- 16:30** Welcome address by the hosts of the event.
- 16:35** Official inauguration by relevant personalities from each country. Jim Pillen, Governor of the State of Nebraska (USA), Ana Dávila, Councilor for Family, Youth and Social Affairs of the Community of Madrid (Spain), Lourdes Castro, Presidential Advisor (Colombia) and Gabriel Alén, Territorial Delegate of the Xunta de Galicia (Spain).
- 16:50** Welcome address by Alberto Muñiz, Tio Alberto, founder of CiudadEscuela de los Muchach@s.
- 16:55** Boys Town (Omaha, Nebraska) Presentation by CEO, Rod Kempkes.
- 17:10** Bartolomé Pidal, The President of the Asociación Cultural Padre Silva introduces the biography of Father Jesús Silva, founder of Benposta, and his "Circo de los Muchachos."
- 17:25** CiudadEscuela Muchach@s (Leganes, Spain) Presentation by Maía Ordóñez, Vice President of the Muchachos Association and CEO of CEMU.
- 17:40** Presentation and historical tour of Benposta Nación de Muchachos Colombia by José Luis Campo, President.
- 18:00** Exchange of impressions by the leaders of the participating organizations.
- 18:10** Closing remarks and orientation for day two.

Wednesday, December 13th

Evolution of Cities and the Transformations of Organizations

Discover how, despite their diverse contexts, they share common challenges. We will learn how these organizations have evolved, transforming their action programs, and leaving a profound influence on society.

In this session, we will explore the unique characteristics of each organization, share the most effective methods we have developed through years of experience, and, moreover, communicate to a global audience the impact of our efforts. We will understand the specificities of each organization, share the best practices we have cultivated throughout our years of experience, and ultimately educate a global audience on their social leadership and reach. Join us for this enlightening session and become a part of the transformation we are collectively creating in the world!

- 16:05** Welcome address
- 16:10** Boys Town Home Family Program Presentationn followed by a Q&A
- 16:50** Roundtable discussion on "Architecture and Pedagogy," moderated by Santiago Atrio y Jose L. Linaza from the Educational Architecture School of the Autonomous University of Madrid with participants from four countries.
- 17:45** Interactive session on "Play, Arts, and Symbolic Learning" from Benposta Nación de Muchachos Colombia.
- 18:30** Closing remarks and orientation for the final day

Thursday, December 14th

Walking Towards the Future, The Voice of Our Children and Youth

In this last session, we invite you to immerse yourself in the exciting world of children and youth participation in a global context overshadowed by conflicts and international crises.

Dialogue will be the key to this day, as we will encourage conversations between representatives of municipal corporations and assemblies of the boys towns. Our mission is to give a voice to these young citizens, allow them to express themselves, and contribute to their interaction in the virtual world. In addition, we will explore how to support and help them dignify their life projects, promoting their social participation through Community Education.

Ultimately, our goal is to dream together about the future of these towns of boys and girls, that unite us in the search for a safer world full of opportunities for all children and youth.

- 16:30** Opening remarks
- 16:35** Youth Assemblies from Girls & Boys Towns Share Their Experiences.
- 16:45** Online Town Hall. The young people from all the boys towns will post questions to adults and share their concerns and opinions on world affairs and the future.
- 17:30** Call to Action from the leaders of the Girls & Boys Towns.
- 17:40** Audiovisual farewell from the children and youth of each organization.
- 17:55** Looking towards the 2nd Annual Congress
- 18:00** Closing.