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Luisa Sandoval with SAVES

Luisa Sandoval is from Venezuela. She was born in Maracaibo. From an early age, she had an innate desire to become an educator since she always felt the calling to contribute to the education of those around her.

Ms. Sandoval completed an education program in IT Management in 1999. Soon after, she started teaching Computer Literacy at all academic levels. That experience led her to pursue a career in education. Her area of specialization was in pre-school instruction, a level in which students hold the future promise of a nation, and where instructors have the greatest opportunity for impacting young lives. This was her primary motivation for pursuing an instructional career at this level.

Luisa arrived in the United States in 2011 with a desire to continue achieving her professional goals. In 2012, she had the opportunity to enroll in the SAVES program, which provided her with the financial assistance she needed to continue her educational training, which led to an Early Child Care certification.

Because of this educational training program, Ms. Sandoval was able to establish her own child care program, which she named the *Little Sky Family Day Care Home*. There, she is able to provide a safe and nurturing environment for her young learners so that they may

explore their interests, express their talents and independent spirit, fortify their growing self-esteem, and learn to socialize and get along with their classroom peers.

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