



# SENSE OF SELF

*"I find satisfaction in caring for and the wellbeing of others."*  
~ Josefina ReBrado



Josefina ReBrado Photo by Ben Leonard

Arturito Rodriguez. Photo right by Ben Leonard



ReBrado family with Gustie Marissa Shepherd. Photo below by Ben Leonard

Petatlán playmates. Photo bottom by Greg Wiessner

**P**etatlán resident Josefina ReBrado is a retired teacher, wife, mother, and neighbor. Today, she defines herself as a caretaker. Every day her sons, daughters, and their grandchildren come to her home for lunch, and to spend time with their mother and grandmother. Josefina and a hired woman do the cooking, while the kids do yard work.

She dotes on her grandchildren, and takes great pleasure in feeding and nurturing them. Her caring nature is deeply engrained. Josefina taught Kindergarten in Petatlán for 52 years. She continues to live for supporting and shaping young minds. Even in retirement she follows her old students as they flourish and succeed. She attends their dance competitions, plays, and sports because she cares for them as her own children.

In Petatlán many define themselves through family and community bonds. By educating and caring for others, Josefina has helped raise and influence several generations of Petatlecos. Together they have formed a web of interconnected relationships that help fuel and sustain the community.



## What relationships define you?

