

THE FUTURE IS HERS

Girls in tech lead in Colombia, featuring Paula Moreno

Paula Moreno, founder and president of Corporación Manos Visibles, became the first Afro-Colombian woman—as well as the youngest person—to hold a cabinet position in Colombia’s government when she was appointed minister of culture in 2007. This video transcript is part of the *Future Is Hers* multimedia series, celebrating innovators, risk-takers, and change makers supported by the Ford Foundation, who have impacted the lives of women and girls around the globe.

Transcript begins.

[A tall Black woman with big eyes and natural-hair braids, wearing a red top and black pants, opens and closes a clapperboard and addresses the camera.]

PAULA MORENO: Okay, I’m Paula Moreno. I’m president of Corporación Manos Visibles—Visible Hands—in Colombia. I create a program in my organization called Innovation Girls. We help to incubate in one of the most excluded and violent places in Colombia. We help to build robotic schools, and we have girls learning programming and learning to create solutions in their communities. And I really love how they rediscovered their role in their society—as women, how they can build tools to really make the society work in a different way.

[on-screen graphic: Ford Foundation logo]

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