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We help...because we can.



COMPLETING
THE MISSION
THE LAST BRANCH



Celebrating
10 Years:
2012-2022



Dear Friends,

Neighbors to Nicaragua's mission came into focus from listening to the needs of the members of our barrio, Nueva Esperanza. Our services resulted from discussions with and observations of those who experience our barrio day-after-day. They know their own needs better than we do.

The residents are our teachers. As a result, we can be theirs and form an effective union. The lines of teacher and learner become blurred and eventually disappear. We work together, doing what we're called to do: to help one another...**and you have been instrumental in every step.**



The goal of our 10th anniversary campaign is to complete the scope of our mission. Three-fourths of Neighbors to Nicaragua's mission is in full operation:

1. Education: Centro de Oportunidad (Center of Opportunity) provides literacy, computer skills, and English speaking skills to people of all ages.

2. Nutrition: Comedor Sandeep Panwalker feeds 150-200 members of our community daily.

3. Job Training: This year, Centro Vocacional Matthew James Haley began training programs with community members in skills to earn income to help support themselves and their families

Now we would like to add our "last branch".

We're continually honored by your faith in our work!

Chuck Selvaggio
DIRECTOR



The adolescents started "hanging out" at our school. We were told to "watch out" for the street kids, the thugs, the _____ (fill in the blank).

We fed them because they were hungry.

Then, voluntarily, they started helping around the school: painting, hauling buckets of cement, clearing out debris to prepare for construction of our new facilities. They invested themselves in our goals to help others. They worked tirelessly and with purpose. They learned skills from working alongside Will, our contractor.

Then they wanted to know if we would teach them how to read and write. We hired Roberto, a youth activity counselor and teacher to teach them literacy. They trusted him and our director, Maycól...because we had faith and trust in them.

Now, they spend their days with us—about eight at the moment. Their friends watch them improving their lives, and they're knocking at the gate. The number is growing weekly.

They tell us their stories...growing up in dysfunctional homes of substance, physical, and emotional abuse, of survival.

They ask for a better way of living. Because of you, we have new paths to offer them.

The last branch of Neighbor's to Nicaragua will be a center for disadvantaged youth.

We will construct a second floor to our current vocational center. It will serve as our youth center and be called "Casa de Esperanza" (House of Hope). In addition to basic educational skills, it will offer classes in life skills, anger management, and it will provide one-on-one counseling. We also wish to purchase land across the street to serve as a playing field with the goal of teaching and developing collaborative team skills. The total cost for the construction for Casa de Esperanza and the land is \$54,000.

If you are able to help, please feel free to use the enclosed envelope or donate through our website at www.neighborstonicaragua.com

Our heartfelt gratitude for your support.

On behalf of those whom we serve together: THANK YOU!

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