

PURPOSE

The overall objective of this project is the improvement of overall living conditions and health of the Buena Vista Las Flores community through the provision of housing solutions, educational trainings, and partnership with the COCODE, strengthening the capacity for the successful implementation of future community projects.

By changing the health and living conditions through a long-term plan and working together with the community, the most pressing community needs as identified by the COCODE are addressed.

TARGET GROUP

Buena Vista Las Flores is a remote coffee farming community located in the southern region of the San Marcos department in Guatemala.

The community suffers from poverty and poor infrastructure, and the government has failed to bring any community development projects.

The majority of community members work as independent smallholder coffee farmers, without an organized institution supporting them or intervening in their labor.

45 partner families each receive a Healthy Home Kit, comprised of a stove, a water filter and a latrine.

HEALTHY HOME KITS FOR THE BUENA VISTA LAS FLORES COFFEE COMMUNITY

GUATEMALA - approved by the Efico Fund on 29/10/2018

Location

Buena Vista Las Flores, Guatemala

Description

This project installs 45 stoves, 45 water filters, and 45 latrines in the coffee farming community of Buena Vista Las Flores, working with the Community Development Council (COCODE) and 45 partner families to improve health, increase disposable income and provide education.

Families receive training in financial planning, disaster response, preventive health, nutritional cooking, project management, and stove/latrine construction. The families are very involved in the project as such by contributing to materials and labor in building the stoves, water filters and latrines under Habitat Guatemala's supervision.

Project Budget

Budget Total: € 15,000

Project Duration

November 2018 to November 2019

PARTNERS

Habitat for Humanity Guatemala - HFHG (Fundación Habitat para la Humanidad Guatemala)

www.habitatguate.org

- Project applicant; not-for-profit organization
- Reduce poverty housing in Guatemala while increasing awareness and action towards improving the housing crisis within the country

Local Community Development Council - COCODE

- Involved in the execution of the program

Hesselink Koffie - Fingerprinted

www.hesselinkkoffie.nl - www.fingerprinted.eu

- Dutch coffee roasting company
- Funding partner

EFICO

www.efico.com

- Funding partner
- EFICO Central America provides supervision and monitoring of the project



EXPECTED RESULTS

1) Improved smokeless stoves: The most common cooking practice consists of an open fire inside the home. As a result, the smoke is spread inside the home and creates respiratory diseases and eye conditions. The implementation of improved stoves prevents numerous respiratory and pulmonary diseases and eye problems. It also reduces deforestation.

2) Water filters: Water filters are essential to reduce gastro-intestinal diseases, one of the most prevalent causes of death in Guatemala. Drinking purified water is also really important for the children, it helps them to develop strong immune systems.

3) Improved latrines: The benefits of improved sanitation are huge: significant reductions in gastro-intestinal diseases, diarrhea, parasitic worms and trachoma; and improvements in nutritional absorption.

This project contributes to SDG 1 (No Poverty), SDG 3 (Good Health and Wellbeing) and SDG 6 (Clean Water and Sanitation).

IMPROVING OVERALL LIVING CONDITIONS & HEALTH

