



Rural Water Ventures, Inc.

A non profit tax exempt corporation



News of Interest:

- On **Saturday evening, January 31, 2009** we will be holding again a fund raising concert at Boston College featuring the *Alter Ego* band. **Save the date!** Invitations will be sent out in early January.

- Three RWV directors attended the annual meeting of our partner, Agua Para La Vida, in Berkeley, CA at their own expense to develop a better understanding of & relationship with our partner.

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The mission & work of Rural Water Ventures continues only with your help.

Welcome to Rural Water Ventures!

Without access to safe drinking water people live in a perpetual epidemic. Their prospects for satisfactory health remain very dim. The longer we work in rural Nicaragua the clearer it is how many are in that condition. The challenge is daunting, but with your help we will forge ahead.

We are very conscious that the work of Rural Water Ventures continues only with your help.

Our Mission

Rural Water Ventures sponsors well conceived and well designed projects to provide rural villages in Nicaragua with access to adequate quantities of safe drinking water.



We hope that you are pleased to be part of our community and that you will choose to continue and even increase your contributions. You can make the difference!

Where we work



- Rural Water Ventures is a tax exempt, nonprofit.
- Your contribution is tax deductible and **100%** of your contribution goes to the project you choose.

Village projects to be funded in 2009 through your contributions are:

Varsovia



- 260 residents, 49 residences
- survive by subsistence farming
- only polluted water available now
- all labor will be provided by the villagers with no monetary compensation
- 8100 feet of conduction line will be installed
- tank of 12 cubic meters will be built
- 30,000 feet of distribution piping will be installed
- safe drinking water outlets will be installed in the backyards of the 49 residences
- latrines will be built at each residence to provide hygienic sanitation
- overall project cost is \$43,857. \$169 per person

El Carrizal



- 175 residents, 39 residences
- survive by subsistence farming
- only polluted water available now
- all labor will be provided by the villagers with no monetary compensation
- 6500 feet of conduction line will be installed
- tank of 9 cubic meters will be built
- 46,000 feet of distribution piping will be installed
- safe drinking water outlets will be installed in the backyards of the 39 residences , school & church
- latrines will be built at each residence to provide hygienic sanitation
- overall project cost is \$44,350. \$253 per person

Los Rodriquez

- 75 residents, 15 residences
- survive on the production of corn, beans, yuca and bananas.
- obtain very unsafe water presently from the Tuma River
- children paddle across the Tuma daily to and from the school. This is a difficult chore and dangerous when the river runs high and fast.
- RWV is asked to provide \$10,900. This sum is being sought by the senior class Models of Leadership at Boston College High School.

Projects completed in 2008

Los Alcantaras

- 90 residents and 25 houses.
- residents are subsistence farmers
- previous water sources never dropped below several hundred coliforms /100ml
- system draws water from 3 small springs then to single storage tank
- conduction line = 626m
- distribution network = 2121m
- simple distribution network provides 14 stands near each residence



The work at Los Alcantaras was funded entirely by the Gabrielsen family of Chagrin Falls, OH. The Gabrielsens contributed \$18,262 for safe water and hygienic sanitation for the people of Los Alcantaras, whose lives are changed forever.

Projects in progress in 2008

Los Valdeses

- 161 residents and 32 residences
- main supply lines, 24,000 feet – from the spring to the tanks – are 100% complete
- tank 1 is now 70% complete
- installation of distribution system in the lower sector is 25% complete
- reforestation work is also now 100% complete
- Rural Water Ventures provided \$56,147. \$349 per person
- over 70 people contributed
- 14 people contributed \$1000 or more

To be completed by Christmas:

- construction of tank 1
- installation of 15,000 feet of distribution piping
- construction of the backyard water outlets
- completion of the latrines

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Donate via our website or by check

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