Winter 2024

Clean Water for All

According to the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals:

In 2022, 2.2 billion people still lacked safe drinking water, within this number 703 million without a basic water service. 3.5 billion people lacked safely managed sanitation, including 1.5 billion without basic sanitation services. Furthermore, 2 billion lacked a usable handwashing facility, including 653 million with no handwashing facility at all.

By managing our water sustainably, we are also able to better manage our production of food and energy and contribute to decent work and economic growth.

Moreover, we can preserve our water ecosystems, their biodiversity, and take action against climate change.



The team at Healthy Niños Honduras has been dreaming about how we can provide safe water to the communities in need in Honduras. Now together with Living Water For The World, we will be able to offer FREE and safe water to the public kindergartens, elementary schools, high schools, and health centers in San Francisco de Yojoa with the opening of our purification plant. Now children and families will have access to safe water with the idea that little by little we will expand to more communities nearby.

Please pray with us that our well provides enough water, and for the provision of funds to run the plant. This is one more project that we have accomplished thanks to your support.





Milestone Achievement

This past January, we made history. Through many years with MAMA Project, and now Healthy Niños Honduras, we have been collecting data and following along with the growth of our communities. On January 11, 2024, we were able to share this information with the doctors, nurses, and social workers of the public health centers that we have been supporting for years. They were so impressed to see how some of their communities had been improving and were saddened by those that have not.

This achievement is possible with the support of our mission teams who visited the communities year after year, as well as the Nutrition Center Mobile Program. Thank you to the HNH staff for making this possible, and for underlining the importance of data collection. We will continue sharing information with other health centers and community leaders with the idea to improve living conditions for many people in need.



The HNH Staff show the computer system for collecting data to the medical personnel at local public health centers



Dr. Herman & HNH Staff with the doctors, nurses of the public health centers.

Partner with us! We are sending a shipping container this spring with essential supplies for the communities, our staff, and our

service teams.

If interested in supporting the cost of shipping, please visit our website to donate: www.healthyninos.org/donate



Nutrition Center Blessings

Many of you know that for many decades, the Nutrition Center has been the answer for many children and families that are suffering from malnutrition. For many years, we were able to house a maximum of 80 children every year because most children take 1-3 months to fully recover.

Thanks to Nicole Zelaya, our Nutrition Center coordinator, we had a record-breaking year. Our staff worked hard to create space for more families and provided care to 104 children in 2023. Our facilities are notably small and outdated for the present demand. We are working on plans for remodeling the Center with the intention to offer better spaces for the family's time of recovery.



Team Member Spotlight

"When people ask me, 'What was the highlight of your trip?' I smile and say ice cream. Yes, ice cream. It was the last village of the week and it was hot. My husband and I were out playing soccer with the children from the village when this beat up minivan comes up the road. The children all ran over to the van to see what he had. The man driving the van had a freezer of ice cream in the back. Wow, ice cream sounded so good. It was very hot and dusty. Through our interpreter we asked how much was the ice cream? We never got a cost but said sure, we could buy the 15 children playing an ice cream cone."



"The children screamed for joy and started getting in line, some ran home to get their younger siblings or mothers. Before we knew it there were more than 15 children in line. Now the children waiting for the dentist got in line. I never saw a child so happy for a frozen treat. For most of these children it was their first taste of ice cream. None of the families can afford such a treat. When the last treat was given out and we asked how much we owed. The man said, '54 ice cream cones will be \$27.00.' 'That's all?' my husband said. 'Here's \$30.00, keep the change.' That day we learned that something so simple can bring such joy."

Join Us at Our: 16th Annual Golf Outing

June 14th, 2024

Butter Valley Golf Port at Bally, PA Shotgun Start at 7:30 am Cost is \$125 per golfer

Come spend the day playing golf, earning prizes, and enjoying lunch while raising funds to fight malnutrition in Honduras.

Registration is Open! Sign up on our website or email Alena at office@healthyninos.org.





Additional Ways to Support HNH

- 1. <u>Give through your Employer Matching Gift</u>
 <u>Program</u>--If your employer has a matching gift
 program, they will send a donation to HNH when
 you make a donation. This essentially doubles your
 donation with little work on your part!
- 2. Give from your Donor Advised Fund—a lot of people have started to use a Donor Advised Fund to "bunch" their giving. It's an easy tool to save money on taxes and add convenience to your regular giving.
- 3. <u>Give through your will or beneficiary</u>—these legacy gifts are an opportunity to make what could be the biggest gift of your life to the organizations that mean the most to you.

To discuss these options or others, contact Amanda at amanda@healthyninos.org

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