



El Porvenir's mission is to improve the standard of living of poor people in Nicaragua through sustainable self-help water, sanitation, and reforestation projects.

Everybody needs water.



Ten El Porvenir donors believe so strongly that everybody needs water that they are presenting this challenge:

If we can raise \$50,000 between August 15 and September 30, 2013, then they will match it. Dollar for dollar.

Will you help us meet the challenge and ensure that everybody has water?

All gifts must be received by September 30 and identified by a note, email, or verbally as going towards the "Everybody needs water" challenge. Funds will be directed where most needed.

Here are some ways you can get involved:

- Help us meet the challenge by donating to the "Everybody needs water" challenge. Gifts can be made via check or online by clicking on "Donate Now" at elporvenir.org.
- Like us on Facebook and/or follow us on Twitter for challenge updates, inspirational stories, and more!
- Fundraising Page Contest: Encourage friends and family to support El Porvenir's mission by setting up and promoting a fundraising page on Colorado Gives. The contest ends September 30, 2013, so get started! Learn how at <http://elporvenir.org/page/everybody-needs-water-50000-challenge>. **Each participant has the opportunity to win great prizes like an iPad mini!**
- Facebook Photo Contest: Participate in our Facebook photo contest from September 5-September 12 for your chance to win an Amazon gift card. Like us on Facebook for more details and to vote for your favorite photo.

*This newsletter is intended for five people; please pass it on!
We receive 100% of online gifts: please visit elporvenir.org and click on "Donate Now."*

Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene=Health, Education, and Joy



Top left: A grandmother teaches her new grandson about the importance of handwashing outside of their new latrine. This little boy will grow up with better health than his grandmother and mother as he will always have a clean, private, safe latrine to use.



Middle left: Clean water flowing out of a tap as a girl washes her hands. Isn't it beautiful? So simple, so necessary, so beautiful.



Bottom left: The teacher in the center is displaying the El Porvenir health, hygiene, and environmental education coloring book that she uses with the school children. The book makes learning healthy habits fun and involves children in education. All children in partner schools receive a coloring book with a set of crayons.



Bottom right: A young woman has just finished bathing in her community's private bathing stall. What a difference it makes not to wash in the river, but with clean water in a private place!

What Can I Do?

Ever wonder, “What can I do so that more Nicaraguans have clean water to drink, a safe bathroom to use, and know how to use and maintain those wells and latrines?” Below is a variety of things—from asking a friend to like us on Facebook to donating a car—that you can do to make a difference in the life of a Nicaraguan. We want the kids below to be healthy and have opportunities. We know you do, too.



Make a Donation:

- \$75 is enough to build 15 meters of improved trail in a watershed restoration area
- \$190 is enough for a rope pump to be installed on a village well
- \$450 is enough for an entire family to have a safe, private latrine
- \$3,000 is enough to build a new well, providing clean water for an entire village

Set Up a Fundraising Page:

Visit elporvenir.org and click “Fundraise Now” to learn how to set one up. Encourage your family and friends to contribute to El Porvenir on your page. **Set one up and promote it by September 30, 2013, and you could win an iPad mini.** See our website for details.

Donate Your Vehicle (car, boat, RV, etc.):

Got an old clunker sitting around that you want to get rid of but think no one would buy? You may be surprised how much clean water results from your old vehicle. No matter where in the U.S. you live, call Cars Helping Charities in Denver and tell them you want to donate a vehicle to El Porvenir: 303-423-2277 or toll-free at 866-701-2277.

Talk to Your Friends and Family:

Tell them why El Porvenir matters to you. Ask them to check out elporvenir.org, pass on this newsletter, ask them to “like” us on Facebook, or encourage them to join a work trip to see what we do firsthand.

Ask Your Company to Match Your Donation:

Double your contribution by letting your company know that you made a gift to El Porvenir! It costs you nothing, and it means so much to Nicaraguans.

Reach Out to Your Faith Group:

If you are part of a faith community, reach out to the Social Justice Committee to encourage a gift to El Porvenir from your faith group.

Travel to Nicaragua:

Join an El Porvenir work trip! We promise you an unforgettable experience. Invite your friends and family to create your own trip of 10-15 people or join an open trip November 9-18, 2013. We’ll let you know when we have open trips for 2014.

Set Up a Gift for the Future:

You can ensure lifetimes of clean water for Nicaraguans by designating a portion of your estate, retirement account, or life insurance policy to El Porvenir. Your commitment to support permanent water, sanitation, and reforestation solutions will be fulfilled beyond your lifetime.

Buy Online via GoodSearch.com:

If you shop online at Amazon, Target, Office Depot, and other major retailers, start your shopping at goodsearch.com, designate El Porvenir as your charity, and a portion of what you spend goes to clean water for Nicaragua. It’s easy and has no additional cost.

El Porvenir
10955 Westmoor Dr, Ste 400
Westminster, CO 80021

NONPROFIT ORG
US POSTAGE
PAID
DENVER, CO
PERMIT NO. 1818

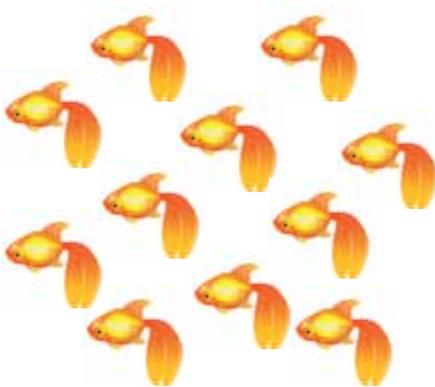


**Please note
our address!**



Clean Water for Nicaragua

Schools need water, too.



teachers and parents carry out the work and maintain the projects.

The end result? Healthier kids who stay in school. Water and sanitation projects improve health. Healthy kids are more likely to stay in school. Education helps people get jobs. That's how we accomplish our mission of improving the standard of living of poor people in Nicaragua. **Your support makes it possible!**

If your school had no drinking water or a place to use the bathroom, would you keep going? Many Nicaraguan children stop attending school because it's uncomfortable to have to wait hours to go to the bathroom or they can't pay attention when they are thirsty. Because of this, we partner with school communities on wells, latrines, and hand-washing stations. The model works the same in schools as in villages: a teacher or a parent comes to us and asks for support to meet the needs of the teachers and children at the school. The



NileSprague.com