Manna Project International 2013 - 2014 Report

Thank You For Another Successful Year!

THE PROGRAMS:

Health
- Primary Care Clinics
- Health Education
- Nutrition & Exercise
- Children’s Nutrition
- Child Sponsorship
- Sports & Recreation

2,796 health activities

Education
- English
- Community Library
- Creative Arts
- Math & Literacy
- Environmental Education
- Community Recycling

1,243 classes

Livelihoods
- Business Development
- Microfinance
- Women’s Cooperative
- Financial Management
- Computer Literacy
- Agricultural Development

$6,620 in loans

THE PILLARS:
- Holistic Approach
- Community Focus
- Leadership Development

COMMUNITIES SERVING COMMUNITIES
Our mission is to foster communities of talented young leaders to become the next generation of social change agents by engaging in collaborative, on-the-ground service with international communities in need.

the impact:

26 Program Directors
144 International Volunteers
30 Partner Organizations
44 Local Staff & Volunteers
811 Contributing Individuals and Organizations

27 Community Programs

"MPI is teaching not just English but a love for learning." - Lidia, teacher at partner school El Instituto in Ecuador

Nicaragua

40,626 Service Hours Worked By Long-Term Volunteers

Ecuador

3,099 Direct Beneficiaries

Financials

Total Revenue $519,525

- Individual donors $380,685
- Foundations and Grants $118,012
- Program-Related Income $17,784
- Other $3,044

Total Expenses $518,819

- Programming $414,144
- Management & General Expenses $67,634
- Fundraising $37,041

Revenue 73%

Expenses 80%
Meet Genesis

Genesis is the sixth daughter in a family of seven girls. Last year, she graduated from Manna’s Child Sponsorship Program as a healthy 5-year-old. On a follow-up house visit, we learned that Genesis was not attending school; her parents let her stay home because she did not want to go. This is common among school-aged children in Nicaragua, where the national average for adults is only 5.6 years of schooling. The Ministry of Education estimates that 24% of children are not enrolled in school, which contributes to high levels of illiteracy.

Manna volunteers spoke with Genesis about the importance of an education. They helped with the local public school’s enrollment process, and Genesis started school. She quickly learned that she loves meeting new friends, wearing her school uniform and learning! During her first semester of school, Genesis didn’t miss a single day. She is setting a great example for her little sister Dayana, who we hope will join her in school when she graduates from Child Sponsorship and is old enough to attend! Education is critical to improve quality of life for Nicaragua’s next generation, and Manna continues to provide educational opportunities and encouragement in our communities.

What Our Volunteers Are Saying:

“It’s even more rewarding when this passion for learning translates from the adults to their children. I love it when there are entire families that participate; I’ve experienced that first hand.”
Rachel S., Ecuador

“I continue to learn that service is understanding that the people you work with and serve are giving of themselves and their stories to help you grow. The communities we work with have strengthened me. Our shared vision is culminated when sitting with a community member in her home and listening to her talk about her hopes for the future. These moments define holistic community development.”
Justin P., Nicaragua

“I see the true impact that Manna makes in the community. When people know that there are others out there that care for their wellbeing, their view on life can change.”
Rachel Z., Nicaragua

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THANK YOU
For Another Great Year of Communities
Serving Communities!