Hope from Nicaragua: Marta, Mother of Seven

When Marta was only 24 years old, her first husband died. She then moved to La Chureca, Managua’s municipal dump, to live with her mother and find work. For the last 8 years, Marta has sorted and classified trash, earning just $15/week to support her seven daughters.

Marta’s two youngest daughters are under the age of five and participate in MPI’s Nutrition and Child Sponsorship program. Marta is also an active participant in our women’s jewelry-making cooperative and was recently elected the Board President. Because of her involvement in the cooperative, an income generating project promoting economic empowerment, Marta is no longer working in the dump and now has more economic independence. Marta now enjoys working in a safe environment indoors and utilizing her creative energy to make jewelry. She attributes the opportunity of a better future to her involvement in MPI’s programs in La Chureca.

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