KIND Causes $10,000 Winner

Your vote helped Manna Project win $10,000! The KIND Foundation grant will be used to pilot a new program in Nicaragua focused on reducing childhood malnutrition through key nutritional interventions. The project will target pregnant women, especially pregnant adolescents in Villa Guadalupe. The three stage program will provide breastfeeding support, nutritional supplements, health education, and monitoring during the first 1,000 days of a child’s development, from pregnancy to age two.

We’d love for you to continue to be a part of the development of this exciting program!

“Run for Reading” 5K in Ecuador

The “Run for Reading” 5K on July 2 was a great success with over 100 runners from the community as well as new faces who came to show their support. It was a beautiful sunny day with beautiful scenery. All proceeds will go to the Development of the Manna Project Community Center and lending library in Ecuador. With your help we were able to reach our 5K fundraising goal of over $3,500! This money will support the operations and improvements of the Manna Project Community Center and lending library.

To see footage taken live of the event, check out the live feed on Facebook. Thank you again to everyone who supported and donated to the event! We couldn’t do it without you!

Children’s Rights Workshops

A group of students from the local university ESPE have been working with community member Yeimmy to host Children’s Rights Workshops in the Library. These video workshops are geared to children and use games and other interactive activities to teach important lessons about their individual rights as children in Ecuador.

College Tour Fun

The Manna Project Ecuador team organized a college tour for local high school students in the community near the MPI Library. The outing was inspired by the knowledge that many of the students in Manna Project’s classes have not considered attending University. The group visited ESPE, a local public university in the Los Chillos Valley, where they experienced a day on campus and learned about the many opportunities that are offered. The day ended with a trip to the beach to see the beautiful city of Callao. This was a great opportunity for the students to learn about some great options that are available in Ecuador.

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Career Fair in El Farito

Generation students attended a career fair in El Farito in May. Students in the class are all high school-aged individuals interested in pursuing a career in medicine. The presenters of the career fair included doctors, dentists, nurses, and much more! This was a great opportunity for the students to explore potential careers early on, and hear first-hand what being a health professional is like.

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NIGERICA UPDATES

Cedro Galán Community Needs Health Assessment

Program Directors, along with community members, have begun an intensive community needs health assessment in Cedro Galán. This assessment will help obtain an accurate census of the community and guide the planning of future programs.

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