



2022 PROJECT SUMMARY

Rotary-World Vision WASH Project

Changing lives in Honduras

In the spirit of improving the lives of the most vulnerable please join Rotary in collaboration with World Vision in an \$800,000 large-scale WASH project to bring access to clean water, sanitation and hygiene to more than 16,000 families in Western Honduras.

THE NEED

Of the nearly 9.6 million people living in Honduras, 1.5 million lack access to clean, accessible water resources—1.2 million are from rural areas. Rural families lacking access to safe water consume water from streams or open wells—the same places where people bathe and wash clothes, and animals defecate—leading to diseases. Drought has lowered crop production and subsistence farmers have struggled to feed their families. Storms (such as hurricanes Eta and Iota) have destroyed water systems, which will take years for communities to regain quality access to water.

KEY PARTNERSHIPS AND COLLABORATIONS

As the world's largest service organization, Rotary has unprecedented reach around the world to people committed to serving their communities. As the world's largest non-governmental organization, World Vision works in nearly 100 countries with over 34,000 staff, with unprecedented reach into the world's poorest and most vulnerable countries.

The project will be managed by the local Santa Rosa de Copan Club alongside the professional local World Vision staff on the ground who have been designing and working together on this project together. World Vision has agreed to match Rotary funds up to \$400,000 for this critical project.

Rotary is leveraging the expertise and the donor funding to accomplish one of the largest and most professional WASH projects in Central America. Rotary Clubs and World Vision have been collaborating on projects since 2005 and invested in excess of \$25 million in project funding, reaching over 3 million people worldwide.

WATER ACCESS

New and rehabilitated systems will include protection of the water source, pipelines to the community water tank, and distribution networks with household connections. This will include a pilot project to supply micro water meters in a subset of communities as funding permits, to promote the rationed use of water and fair fees for water services. Additionally, new water storage tanks will be installed in schools where existing infrastructure is not functioning properly. The new water delivery systems will do a great deal to protect woman and girls from their daily and often dangerous treks to acquire water. When the children are free from the work of fetching water, they benefit from increased time spent in their classrooms.

World Vision



Joanna and her boys had to walk to a dirty water source every day—knowing it could make them sick.



Rotarians and World Vision holding up pipe in the prior grant that was part of 87 miles of piping in trenches dug by 1,000 community members.



