

Building Community in Morazán



Project Focus

Improve the quality of life of families in the department of Morazán, to protect themselves from COVID-19 and provide a response in emergency situations.

The department of Morazán covers a territory of 1,447 km², its capital is San Francisco Gotera, and has a population of 252,500 inhabitants. Regarding the average monthly income by department, households represent one of the lowest incomes with \$478.52.

Currently, Morazán is one of the departments classified among the least developed in the country, the department was a major stronghold of the guerrilla movement during the 1979-1992 civil war and now, it is one of those with the highest poverty rate, since 6 of its 26 municipalities are categorized with severe extreme poverty.

Project components

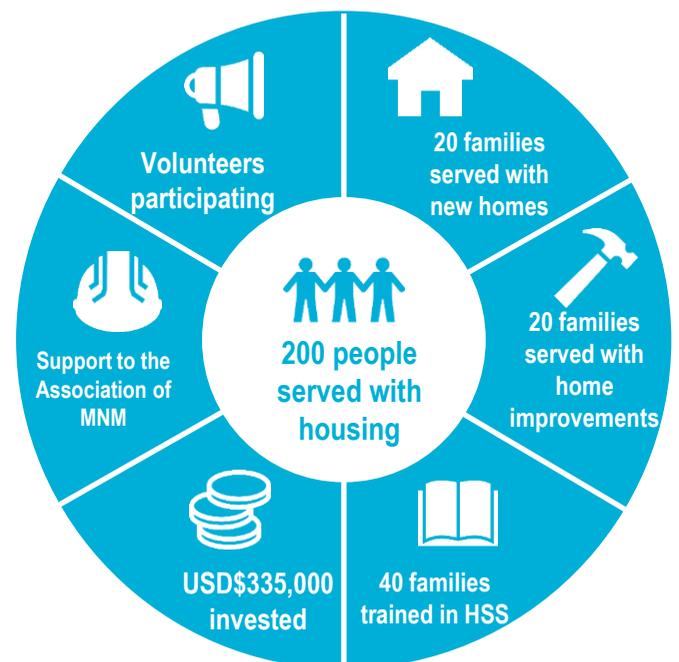
Building Community with Morazán seeks to serve 40 families in the municipality of San Francisco Gotera, through three components:

- Housing Solutions
- Capacity building
- Humanitarian response

Target Population

Families in need of housing, living in inadequate and vulnerable conditions, especially women, employees, farmers, entrepreneurs, families receiving remittances and population within the formal and informal sector of the economy.

Expected outcomes



situation in El Salvador

6,325,827 inhabitants*
61.7% Urban population*
38.3% Rural population *
37.8 % poverty rate in the country**

1.3 million families live in inadequate conditions**
8 out of 10 Salvadorans

Economic growth

-8.6% of GDP growth in 2020
10.7% economic growth in 2021
2.9% of GDP growth projection
(The World Bank)

Increase in construction materials

15% - 50% increase in construction materials
25% increase in Steel only
(Casalco)

situation in San Francisco Gotera

San Francisco Gotera is the head of the department of Morazán, located 169 km from the capital, San Salvador, and at an altitude of 420 meters above sea level. It has an approximate population of 21,049 inhabitants (2007 census) and a territorial extension of 59.76 km². It is located as a municipality that is characterized by being of population size of medium density, predominantly urban; It has approximately an average relationship of 72% urban population and 28% rural population, being categorized with a high index of unsatisfied basic needs.

The percentage of homes with a housing deficit is 34.3, with 27.4 in the urban area and 54.3 in the rural area for a total of 5,000 homes, according to the Population Census, DIGESTYC 2007.

Solis Family, the 50,000 family

"What motivates me the most is that my daughters have their space, that they can say: I have a house." - Mention Evelyn Salguero.

"This house is a dream, it is a dream we have wanted for our daughters, we are happy."



Our impact in 30 years

12,956 families served with housing.

38,987 families served with home improvements.

51,943 housing solutions, benefitting **259,715 Salvadorans**

9,000 families served through Risk Management and Disaster Response Projects.

39,361 national volunteers

14,315 international volunteers (before the pandemic)

USD \$182 million invested

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