

A HOUSE FOR EVERY HOME

Constructing a brighter future
by building dignified housing

Guatemala, 2017



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HOUSE BUILDING 2017

Guatemala is a rich and diverse country in natural and human resources, as a consequence the country's macro-economy is constantly growing. However, poverty in the country has also continued to increase, currently affecting about 60% of the population. Poverty is a complex phenomenon and has many dimensions beyond the economic ones such as culture, opportunities, social dynamics, inequality, discrimination, corruption and bad governance. It is the combination of all these factors that creates this paradoxical situation in which the arduous work of the Guatemalans does not translate to human wellbeing.

The complexity and extent of problems worldwide often leave us with a sense of helplessness. However, this feeling of helplessness can be overcome, and it is our duty to overcome it in order to be able to do what we can, when we can and where we can. The only way to eradicate problems as complicated and profound as the current lack of housing, requires the sum of many individual and group efforts of different magnitudes in different areas. ***Today you have the opportunity to be one of those efforts, and forever change the lives of a family and its future generations.*** The cycle of poverty can be difficult to escape, but providing a safe and dignified house to live in can make a real difference in the life of a family.

Housing conditions are the basis of many transcendent factors for integral development such as physical, emotional and cognitive status. So, the impact of the construction of even a single house is huge. Our objective is to improve the quality of life of the Baltazar family that lives in Nentón, Huehuetenango, Guatemala to ensure the welfare of its members and to support local progress and development through the construction of a house.

Join us to team up with the Baltazar family, to make the world a better place one house at a time!

Meet the Baltazar family! A small family that despite the difficulties, has remained united because of the love these three women have for each other. They are exemplary working women, with an impressive ability to fill any place with their joy. That is why for us it is an honor to help this family that already has a loving home; by providing them with decent housing



Currently the great ladies on the left are living in the not so great house on the right...



Mrs. Elena Baltazar is 33 years old; and is the head and leader of the family. Unfortunately, 3 years ago she lost her husband and father to their 2 girls. So she alone has to take care for her family. She works in agriculture, cleaning houses and washing clothes, besides her every day activities like cooking, cutting wood and carrying water.



Dining room



Micaela Baltazar is 16 years old, now a sophomore in the local high school.



Kitchen



Juanita Baltazar is 13 years old and has not have the opportunity to study. She helps her mother with chores and everything she can.



Only 1 Bed room for all

To help them we would appreciate your collaboration to collect the following:



Material for house construction: \$ 5,340.00

- High quality material to build safe and comfortable rooms so each family member have their own little special place to sleep.



Material for kitchen construction: \$ 1,100.00

- Designed to keep the kitchen smoke away from the family. In Guatemala entire families develop respiratory diseases due to smoke exposure from the kitchen.



House furniture: \$ 760.00

- Beds, chairs and tables for the family to share moments together comfortably



GRAND TOTAL: \$7200.00

Thank you for helping change the lives of Guatemalan families by turning this:



Into this:



The steps of construction from start to finish...



MATERIALS



CONSTRUCTION



FINISHING WORK



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