



Project Chacocente

Project Chacocente moves families from the city dump of Managua, Nicaragua to the clean air and fertile soil of rural Masaya, where the people learn skills for living independently. Chacocente is a non-profit, integrated project that aims to transform people, not just give them food and/or housing.

The families sign a contract promising to "work" with the Chacocente crew for five years, at which time they receive the house they build and about two acres of land. Working with the Chacocente crew means learning to read and write, build, farm, solve problems, govern themselves, be more knowledgeable parents, and start a small business.

The goal is to reintroduce the families into a society in which they have not participated in many years, and to teach them the skills they need to be self-sufficient. Literally, the project takes people out of one culture and shows them how to live in another.

Finally, it's important that the families learn to give as well as receive. Therefore, the Chacocente crew has begun involving some of the residents in the prison visitation program sponsored by Nicaraguan Prison Ministry, Inc. They have found that the opportunity to give of themselves significantly boosts their self-esteem and brings them closer to Christ.

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So far, we have collected over \$ 141.50 (Basic care of a child for 7 months!) to help move these families into the fertile soil of Masaya.



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