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Who we are

The Foundation Manos de Amor is a Guatemalan Christian organization non-profit making institution. It births of the called to help the poor and more vulnerable person, by integral programs and projects of help and development.

Our essential propos is: To join people and to provide strategies to eradicate the personal's, family's and communities' poverty.

History:

Manos de Amor began with the Cindy Jacobs' Prophecy brought us a message of God, in July 2001; commanding us to work for eradicates the poverty. A group of women with the Cecilia de Caballeros Pastor visited San Juan Secanal 1 caserío (a countryside), in San Miguel Tucurú, Alta Verapaz Department. Without indifference in front of the needs and lacks of this population, they started to bring provisions and spiritual help to the women's community.

In April 2002, the parents committee of this community gave to Manos de Amor the small and abandoned school building, a cause of the teacher's lack. Manos de Amor hired a teacher for this school, providing education to the children's community. In August, we organized the first deontological journey, supplying the medical, physical and spiritual needs. This was the beginning of our work al Tucurú, and until today, we continue the help in this community, as children and adult education, integral heath and development projects.

Execution's Programs

Heath Area

Deontological journeys:

They are visits to the unhealthy communities with any medical assistance. Thanks to the Doctors and volunteer group, and the enterprise's contributions, we provided medicines and food to those poor communities. Until today, we had made 76 journeys in 56 communities, attending 11,000 persons (children and adults).

Clinics and Health's Stations

Never before, the Public Health and Social Assistance Ministry has required the protestant/evangelical church's participation to re-open Health Stations, that were closed by the economic resource's lack. Manos de Amor worked with the Guatemalan's government, re-opening 12 Health Stations, 3 Basic Health rooms and 2 Convergence centers in different communities of Guatemala. Also we opened 2 Rural Clinics.

Health Stations in:

Chimaltenango □
Cantón Francisco Vela, Retalhuleu □
Pacamache, Sololá □
San Miguel Chijaj, Chiquimula □
Santa Bárbara, Chiquimula □
Chicholón, Salamá □

Chuacruz, Sololá
Chiquimula □
Chacalté, Tactic □
El arco, Zacapa
Las Pavas, Puerto Barrios □
Escuintla

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Basic Health rooms in:

Aldea el Paraíso, Sololá. □
Villa Nueva □
San Gabriel, Salamá □

Chicholop, Salamá □
San Isidro, Sololá

Convergence centers in:

Los Morales, Sololá □

El Encanto, Sololá

By the presence of Manos de Amor in those communities, we are already done: Water projects, gardening, creation of communitarian committees, also family, nutritional and preventive health's training Hospital, Firemen and Residences Support

We supplied many needs of those communities with the volunteer's help, and by medicine and medical equipment donations.

Training and Education Programs

Children education:

Our schools are: (all in the San Miguel Tucurú, Alta Verapaz Department.)
San Juan Secanal 1 Rural School: started in April 2002.
Río San José Rural School: started in August 2006.
San Juan Secanal 2 Native School: support stated in July 2007.
Caserío Hebrón Rural School: stated in November 2007.

Actually, there are 200 children inscribed and receiving classes every day. Thanks to the contributions, we provided them: breakfasts, uniforms, shoes, books, scholar and didactic materials. Manos de Amor has a great team of 5 multi-grade teachers, who teach with love and dedication. With our volunteer doctors, we made their clinical history, as nutritional level, vitamins, etc. With the parents we develop communitarian projects. And also we make gardening and orchard works in scholar areas, influencing new crop's projects, in Tilapia.

In September 2007, we have started supporting the nursery (Integral Attention Center) in caserío Raxquix with equipments and breakfasts. We are negotiating with the Educational Ministry to valid the studies of kindergarten, in January 2008.

Women training:

In January 2005 starts the Training Program in Home Education area, at the Regional Training Center. Actually, 185 women have been benefited by personal hygiene, family-home hygiene, illness prevention, pollution, water disinfecting, cooking, bakery, dessert making, fabrics and florist courses.

Adults' education:

In 2003, we started the studies of Accelerated Elementary (1st to 6th) and "Básicos por Madurez" (last years of Elementary school), to regional women and men. The classes are given by 6 teachers at the Regional Training Center. Actually, 78 students have obtained the Elementary School Dipl

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MINISTERIAL SUPPORT

The Rural Leadership Institute in Tucurú, provides ministerial support to Pastors and young leaders, by a theory and practice program, conformed for:

- §□ Biblical Cosmo-vision
- §□ Performing life

We support them, visiting their communities, and helping them to find ways to impact his own community, by doing benevolent projects.

This Institute started in 2003. Until today, we attended approximately 60 leaders of 22 communities. In 2006, we made a strategic alliance with "Food for the hungry" and "Disciple Nations Alliance". Actually, we count with 26 leaders of 11 communities.

The Manos de Amor from Departments El Shaddai Churches

Huehuetenango and Salamá El Shaddai Churches attended Child cafeterias and gave support to their communities, the medical clinic in Chiquimulilla, and the subsidiary in aldea El Rosario, Champerico, of Rethalhuleu Department. Villa Nueva, El Shaddai Ministries opened their door to Manos de Amor, in September 2007, executed by the Restauradora de Comunidades de Amor Association.