



A Continuation of the work of MAMA Project in Honduras.

Hunger: A Consequence of COVID-19

The consequences of the coronavirus pandemic may prove more devastating than the disease itself for the world's poorest countries as the global economy hurtles into recession, people lose jobs by the hundreds of millions and the risk of hunger grows, U.N. officials and aid experts fear.

Some 1.6 billion of the world's 2 billion informal workers, or nearly half the global workforce, have already lost their jobs, according to the International Labor Organization. They include gig workers in Western economies, but the vast majority are in developing countries, where most employment is informal and families live hand-to-mouth, relying on a daily wage if they are to eat at the end of the day.

The loss of income for people already living perilously close to the margins of survival will propel up to 50 million people into abject poverty this year, reversing three decades of gains in the war against deprivation, according to World Bank estimates. A study by the United Nations said 580 million could become impoverished, meaning they lack the basic means to survive.

And as incomes are lost, a "hunger pandemic" could eclipse the coronavirus, the World Food Program has warned; 130 million people are expected to join the ranks of the 135 million who were expected to suffer from acute hunger this year, the agency says, bringing to 265 million the number of those at risk of starvation.

Taken from: Sly, L. (2020, May 14). *Hunger could be more deadly than coronavirus in poorer countries.* The Washington Post. <https://www.washingtonpost.com>

Honduras is not an exception. If in recent months it was calculated that 65% of the population lived in extreme poverty, now it is calculated that the percentage is more than 70%. The pandemic has made survival much more difficult for many families. People who have never had to before are forced to ask for food on the streets.

HNH is doing everything possible to help the most vulnerable communities in our area, but the need is great. Last month we announced our Relief Efforts through social media and email and you responded!

THANK YOU!!

With your help, we provided food for two weeks for approximately 1800 people!



(Left) The classroom was converted into a food storage room.

(Right) Felix and Renan measure beans to add to the distribution packages for the families.



Healthy Niños provides food to many families!

Healthy Niños has responded to the need for food in the most vulnerable areas of Honduras. With your \$40 donation, we were able to purchase food for a family for two weeks. The families that received the assistance were very grateful. We will continue to supply food to families as long as we have the funds to do so and the need continues.

Many families in the countryside of Honduras live in simple homes, like the one pictured to the right. They rely on being able to work and purchase their food daily. While the country is on lockdown during COVID, the people are unable to go to work and therefore are unable to provide any food for themselves.

Healthy Niños food packages include the basic staples: vegetables, rice, beans, corn, sugar, powdered milk, and pasta.



Yosidia, pictured left, lives with her partner and two children in San Francisco de Yojoa, the same town as the Nutrition Center.

After receiving the food donation, Yosidia expressed that she did not expect it. Unfortunately other organizations may promise gifts to people but never provide the gift. She was shocked to receive the food in her arms and was shocked at the amount of food provided. When she was in her kitchen and saw what the donation bag contained, she started to cry as not long before she had been praying to God to provide.

After receiving her donation, Yosidia had been talking to her neighbor Rebecca, pictured right with her daughter. Rebecca mentioned that she had nothing in her kitchen. Yosidia told her to trust God, that God was going to provide for her as well. A few minutes later, Healthy Niños came to Rebecca's house, giving her a food donation. When Rebecca started to take out the donation and put it on

her kitchen table, she also cried. Rebecca called her mother who lives approximately 10 hours away. She expressed how much she would have liked her to be close so that she could share with her what she received.



Community: Piedra de Aflar

This is a new community for Healthy Niños. They never expected that we would respond to their request for assistance and bring supplies for them. Pictured right is Felix dropping off the supplies to the leader for distribution to the community members in most need.

The leader expressed his gratitude for the donation received. His children said, “What a beautiful gift they brought us!”

After receiving their bag with two weeks’ supply of food, the families shared their appreciation that HNH reached their community to deliver the donation. They were amazed and were blessed by all that was given to them.



Community: Posas de Agua

HNH staff visited Posas de Agua community to deliver food supplies to 38 families in need. The leader was so grateful for the support to their community during this crisis. They, also, expressed their gratitude and said it gave hope for a better future!

We want to encourage you to continue supporting us with your donations as we will continue bringing food to these families who have little to eat.

You can send your donation via check to
PO Box 53, East Greenville, PA 18041
or make a donation online
at www.healthyninos.org

**Together we can continue to make a difference
in the lives of many!**



Muchas Gracias!

We already know the effects of COVID-19 worldwide, but for our communities it has been a critical time. Malnutrition has increased and we have seen in the last weeks that we had the opportunity to reach some areas and make donations of food to families.

Now when I drive in any nearby cities more and more people are begging for food. I have never seen this number of people before. We hope to continue assisting families in health, education, and nutrition to reduce the number of malnourished children. We hope to continue fulfilling our mission and strengthen as a team, as the service of the communities.

The uncertainty in the face of this unexpected crisis is very high, especially for these families, but we are trusting God that we will be able to provide more help soon.

Thank you for your donation to HNH. We feel supported knowing that we continued to receive our salary even though they're so many people that have lost their jobs during this pandemic.

With gratitude:

Karin Timpel
Director of Honduran Programs



The Staff in Honduras prepared to safely continue providing assistance to the communities.



Reserve the date!

3rd Annual Banquet & Silent Auction

Saturday, November 14, 2020

**At Quakertown Christian School
50 E Paletown Rd, Quakertown, PA**

Doors Open at 5:00pm

Hot Dinner Buffet at 5:30pm

**Should we need to make any changes to the event this year,
we will inform you as soon as possible.**

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