

NICARAGUA-DIRECT

100% DIRECT HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE
SINCE 1996

Service Beyond Self ~ Always!



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21th Year.

Dates: November 4th to November 17th, 2016.

Year:
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**Having returned from the 21st Humanitarian Journey to Nicaragua, we are very pleased with the outcome. To our supporters, on behalf of the recipients:
A Big THANK YOU!**

Since 1995, the focus of our activities in Nicaragua have not changed. There is nothing on the horizon to indicate that we must or should change the course. The demographic data available today, does confirm that we still going in the right direction. We, along with numerous other NGO's and organizations, such as ours are plugging away at making the day-to-day living more tolerable for the approximately 70% of the population that find themselves in dire situations. For our supporters and us it has always been important to be part of something bigger than ourselves which we set out to demonstrate on each journey to Nicaragua.

This year the main focus were centered on five Senior Care Facilities and five Schools from Kindergarten and up in the Carazo, Masaya and Granada regions. School supplies were purchased and will be delivered in early February 2017 when the next school year begins. Eventual comments from these will be posted on our web-site when received.

Three shipments of humanitarian items ranging from School supplies, Bathroom sink & Mirrors, Shoes, Wheel chair, Crutches, Walkers, Adult diapers, Leg/Neg braces, Computers and Printers has been shipped this year. The aforementioned School supplies to be delivered in February were purchased locally in Managua, the capital. We, thankfully also received a substantial discount on these items. We inspected and approved several projects that was initiated after our departure from Nicaragua in 2015.

The assistance that we receive in Nicaragua from the Rodolfo A. Castellon and Jose S. Herrera families are of immense benefit to us in enabling us to be more productive while there. **Thank you.**

Furthermore, much less would take place if not for the assistance that we receive from caring individuals and businesses. **Thanks' to all.**

Appreciatively,

Jens C. Nielsen
Founder/Facilitator

Robert M. Anthony
Humanitarian



These bare walls in San Marcos are waiting to be converted to Family living. We are presently evaluating our potential involvement in this project...

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We are always in need of ...

Medical: Wheel Chairs - Canes and Walkers, Hospital and other Medical Supplies, Bandages, Tooth Paste & Brushes, Eye Glasses & Eye Care items, Hearing Aids & Batteries, Burial Caskets (Funds) and Adult Diapers ...

School supplies: School Supplies, e.g., Pencils, Erasers, Water Colors, Ballpoint Pens, Markers, Notebooks, Dictionaries and Atlases, Solar Powered Calculators, Laptops or Notebook Computers, Hard Drives, PC Memory, Flat Panel Monitors, Software: Educational and Productivity (Legal issues only)...

Other items: Hand Tools for all lines of work, Sewing Machines, Tools, Fabric, Supplies, Culinary/Baking Equipment, Water Purification Equipment, Toys: Ages 2 to 10 (Non Battery Operated), All forms of Sporting Equipment (Soccer Balls, etc.) and Roller Boards.

Items not listed: Please ask us...

Thank you!

Funds should be addressed to:

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From our website, **www.Nicaragua-Direct.Org** can also be used. Also available by scanning the **QR Code** on page one. We personally absorb any transaction fees, so that the full amount contributed will be applied to our work in Nicaragua. - Any size donation is welcome. Funds are used for direct purchases of food, medicine, educational expenses, building material and for any emergency requests that might arise during the journey.

It is important for us to point out that there are no administrative expenses.

All expenditures associated with each trip are paid by us personally.

On behalf of all recipients to-date,
a huge ... **Thank you!**



Meling Suarez with her students in a Kindergarden class in 2016. We are assisting her pursuit of Professional Improvement as well as assisting her school. and students.

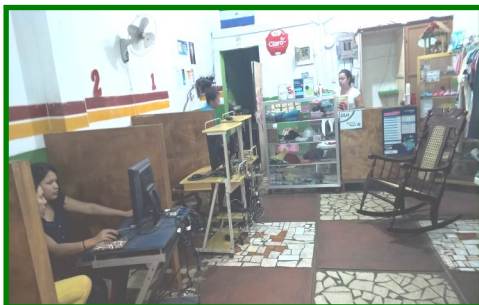
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*Humanitarian Assistance received in 2016:

Individuals: *

Al-Wazzan, Christine & Noor
Anthony, Robert & Mary Ann
Artola, Sonia & Manuel
Barlev, Pauline
Bibly, Carol
Bondi, Thomas F.
Brillhart, Lia
Bøgehegn, Nora & Per
Christensen, Daniela &alle
Danzer, Magdalene & Gerald
Drewsen, Maureen
Drosos, Judith & Jerome
Dubey, Meena
Erwin, Aline H.
Felbinger, Robert & Sue
Fischer, Richard C.
Fredricks, Denise
Gibby, Mabel & John
Goranson, Eva & Gordon
Herren, Patte & Carl
Karsbæk, Barbara & Rune
Klemaier, Lucy & Carl
Kozlowski, Sharon & David
Knecht, Ellen E. & John
Maskell, Odette & Richard
Martin, Mark
Martin, Suzanne C.
Meyers, David
Nielsen, Valerie & Leif
Nielsen, Jette Kofoed
Nielsen, Marie Louise B.
Olson, Jean T.
Pao, Ana & Daryl
Remick, Roseann & Steve
Riordan, Larry
Rizzi, Rebecca & Steven
Sindberg, Eva & Ole
Sisko, Rita
Speciales, Nick
Walter, Hazel P.
Weichselbaum, Hart F.
Ørum, Irma & Peter

...If, inadvertently, your name was omitted you from the list, please accept my apology and we would like you to know that we are grateful for your support. Thank you.



Cyber Café & Children's Clothing re-sale shop in San Marcos, Carazo

Please do not hesitate to contact us at any time with questions, concerns and/or ideas.

Together,
"We are making a great difference"

We are thankful and appreciative of the support we receive year after year. The trust that have been bestowed us, we take very seriously.

This along with the support from our trusted team in Nicaragua. Without them we would not be able to do as much as we set out to do each year. Thank you.

Together, we are accomplishing what would never have been possible for otherwise. Life changing it is and both Bob Anthony and myself do not believe that any greater calling exist.

Thank you for being a part of our effort.

Businesses: *



John R. Binneboese
Senior Vice President



3400 N. River Rd. - Franklin Park, IL
Vito Barbanente, Owner

If these business can assist in serving your needs, we ask that you consider using their services.

In Nicaragua: *

Aburto Castellon, Rodolfo & Family
Herrera, Jose & Family



Mirna Angulo M. - Administrator
Moisés Guillen - Coordinator



For more information, go to our web-site:

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Spontaneous comments from recipients - November—December 2016:

... This tool will be of great help to offer my services to more people. All the tools you have provided me contribute to my family as I can offer my services as carpenter and to be able to buy food and provide study to my daughter that is now in high school. Thank you so much.

Julio Gutierrez - Carpenter

San Marcos, November 10, 2016

... We really appreciate that you always have us in mind at this center where we have so many needs. We are thankful for your ongoing support.

Horizontes Hogar de Ancianos,

San Marcos, November 6, 2016

... We thank you for this donation that you brought us. We have 7 males and 11 female residents that will benefit from your donation. Once more, thank you. God Bless you.

Hogar de Anciano San Antonio,

Masaya, November 5, 2016

... On behalf of the Committee in charge of this center, we thank you because of your devotion. We appreciate your caring.

La Purisima - Senior Care Facility

Diriamba, November 5, 2016

...We are extremely thankful for you visiting year after year. Our residents appreciate the assistance very much. God bless you. We have 26 residents and your donation is a tremendous help.

Hogar de Ancianos,

Jinotepe, November 5, 2016

...The comments from Schools and Kindergartens will be posted on the web-site after the supplies has been delivered. This will be in middle to late February 2017...

Abraham Villatoro—Roof Recipient ...

Thank you for your generosity. It was my plan to improve my house but I have not been able to do so because I did not have any resources. My house is in a better condition now. Please come by and visit.

Thank you so much. - December 15, 2016

Keyland Delgado—Roof Recipient ...

I have a house with asbestos roof. With some savings I was able to replace part of the roof. Thanks to Nicaragua-Direct I now have a new roof free of asbestos and I was also able to improve the roof over kitchen area. Thank you so much for your help.

November 30, 2016

Martha Suarez— Roof Recipient ...

Thanks for the roof you provided to improve the kitchen area. I really appreciate your help on this.

Thanks Mr. Nielsen for your help. We also thank you for visiting our humble house. You are always welcome. November 26, 2016

Erlin Sevilla—Roof Recipient

I want to thank you for the roof for my Little house. Thanks to you, I will be able to sleep without the concern of leaks in my roof. Thank you so much.

December 20, 2016



New siding on family home in San Marcos, Carazo. One of several projects on this journey. Please read the comments above, thank you.