1989–2020: 201,749 Lives Changed

WORLD WATER DAY: 20-MINUTE CELEBRATION

Maybe you’re a new El Porvenir supporter, or perhaps you’ve been a supporter for 25 years but know some things have changed about how we develop projects. Whichever you are, join Director of U.S. Operations Jenna Saldaña on Monday, March 22, to learn more about what we do in Nicaragua, why we work in Nicaragua, and what is this WaSH acronym that we keep using? In 20 minutes, we’ll answer those questions and raise a glass to toast clean water. ¡Salud!

Monday, March 22  4pm–4:20pm MST
Webinar: elporvenir.org/webinar
Ready for ReFUND?

Did you know Colorado taxpayers can choose to donate all or a portion of their income tax refunds to El Porvenir? That’s right: El Porvenir is on the ReFUND list!

To participate, Colorado taxpayers should look for the “Donate to a Colorado Nonprofit” line on their tax return and enter El Porvenir and our registration number 20083007545. The state does not provide any personal information about the donors. Please let us know you participated, so we can say “Thanks!”

Other Ways to Support El Porvenir

IRA ROLLOVER GIFT
If you are age 70.5 or older, you can give up to $100,000 from your IRA and NOT pay taxes on the distribution when you make a direct gift from your IRA to El Porvenir. This is a simple and smart way to better the lives of others. The distribution also counts toward your required minimum distribution for the year in which you made the gift.

LEAVE A LEGACY
Ensuring clean water for Nicaraguans does not have to involve making a gift today. You can designate a portion of your estate (specific amount from your will or living trust, or name El Porvenir as a beneficiary of your retirement account, savings account, CRT, DAF; or life insurance policy), providing needed funds for the future generations. Director of U.S. Operations Jenna Saldaña will gladly speak with you regarding your legacy planning: 720-236-9158 or email jenna@elporvenir.org.

CLEAN WATER COLLECTIVE
Join the CWC! Make an impact! Get a free t-shirt! Register to make a recurring monthly donation in the amount of your choosing, and we’ll send you a special edition Clean Water Collective shirt to show our appreciation. To join the club, make a recurring donation of any amount by checking the box “monthly recurring donation” at elporvenir.org/donate.

DONATE YOUR VEHICLE
With Cars Helping Charities, donating your car, no matter where you live, is as simple as clicking a mouse! If you have a vehicle you’d like to donate with the proceeds going to El Porvenir, visit carshelpingcharities.org or call 1-866-701-CARS (2277) for info.

AMAZON SMILE
While many of us make every attempt at shopping local, sometimes we need to use Amazon. If you do happen to shop Amazon, please consider signing up for Amazon Smile and designate El Porvenir as your charity of choice. Shop smile.amazon.com and Amazon donates to El Porvenir, at no cost to you.

From Living in Fear to Feeling Safe
Doña Juana del Carmen Valverde, of Sabana Grande in El Sauce, lived every day in fear of falling to the bottom of her old and dilapidated latrine.

Her family, made up of three adults and two children, spent more than three years afraid of using the collapsing latrine. “When we lived on the other side of the river, we had an old and broken latrine; that was the one we brought with us when we moved to the other side. We made it with what we had,” Doña Juana said. They lived in fear that the children would suffer an accident going to the old latrine, especially during the rainy season when everything is wet, and the ground is less stable.

Now, thanks to the Jackson Kemper Foundation and El Porvenir, Doña Juana, her family, and her neighbors feel safer with their new, sturdy double pit latrines. “This helped us a lot. If we had tried to do this alone, we wouldn’t have been able to,” said the woman happily.

Having this latrine has meant a significant change for Doña Juana. First, she no longer feels stressed about having a latrine in poor condition. Second, she doesn’t have to worry about what happens when the pit fills as there’s a second pit, and she’s learned about how to cycle through using the two pits.

Doña Juana and her family worked hard to come up with their family’s contribution—families contribute 5-10% of project materials and build the latrines themselves with guidance from El Porvenir staff. When the opportunity came up to be part of the community project, she “put in her batteries,” as they say in Nicaragua.

“Thank God we have a new and well-built latrine,” she said happily. “Without your help, we would not have been able to do it.”

Doña Juana del Carmen Valverde

El Porvenir Garners Honors and High Nonprofit Praises

El Porvenir has the top rating on Charity Navigator, has a Gold Seal of Transparency on GuideStar, and made Great Nonprofit’s 2020 top-rated list! To keep our top-rated status on Great Nonprofits, we need ten new reviews in 2021. Please go to greatnonprofits.org/org/el-porvenir to write your review today!

Here’s what two supporters had to say about us: “I have gone to Nicaragua three times with El Porvenir. This organization is simply the best. They work directly with the local people to provide drinking water, wash stations, latrines, and efficient wood-burning stoves. They only work with communities that request help, and they work directly with members of the community to provide the services. Work trips are very ‘hands-on’ and completely rewarding. I hope to go again.”

“Doña Juana del Carmen Valverde

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