#### AMERICAN NICARAGUAN FOUNDATION



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### **ANF STATISTICS**

# ANF in the last 20 years has:

- Shipped **5,378** 40-foot **containers** of aid valued at **over \$1.515 billion** to Nicaragua.
- Distributed more than **1,200 containers** of medicine, medical supplies, and hospital/clinic equipment valued at over **\$1.1 billion**.
- Distributed over **\$93 million** of school supplies.
- Distributed over **\$64 million** of food.
- Served **220 million plates of nutritious food** to children, mothers, and elderly.
- Supported the construction of over 15,500 homes for underprivileged, low-income families.
- Provided access to clean drinking water to more than 50,000 people.

# **ANF in 2012:**

- In-kind and project donations received in 2012 amounted to \$127,485,523.
- ANF shipped 433 40-foot containers valued at 122 million dollars.

#### **Meals at Schools and Centers of Social Attention:**

- Shipped 184 containers of food.
- Provided a daily hot meal to more than 700 centers benefiting more than 95,000 persons. The 700 centers include schools, elderly homes, children homes, and rehabilitation centers. 85,669 of those who received daily meals were children. In addition to the daily lunches, ANF also participated in other food programs that supported more than 33,000 people (for example, these could be one-time feeding campaigns).

## **Education**

- Provided school supplies to 101,389 students in 352 centers.
- Distributed more than 10,000 pieces of school furniture.

#### **Health:**

- Shipped 95 containers valued at \$97 million dollars, of these 63.6 million were medicines, 12.1 million medical equipment, and 10.6 million reposition material.
- Distributed medicines, medical equipment, medical supplies, wheelchairs and others through a network of 171 centers (including 30 hospitals). These 171 centers provided more than 330,000 consultations in 2012.
- 80% of medicines distributed by ANF were for the treatment of chronic diseases.
- 900 disabled people received wheelchairs, walkers, canes, and auxiliary equipment for improving mobility and a better quality of life.
- Provided 15,000 rations of milk and food supplements, and 7,000 rations of cereal to 350 malnourished children in 4 nutritional recovery centers.
- 10,000 school children participated in a health campaign learning about healthy lifestyles, focusing mainly on the importance of washing their hands as a means to prevent diseases
- Gave deworming tablets to 500 schools, servicing 70,000 students. Tablets were also provided to teachers, administrative personnel, and school cafeteria personnel.

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# **Community Development:**

- Contributed to the construction of more than 1,000 homes that included access to safe drinking water and sanitary solutions.
- Provided more than 5,500 people with domiciliary water connections, access to clean drinking water and sanitary solutions.

### **Economic Development – Agricultural Projects:**

In the last 10 years, ANF has been implementing economic development projects that have benefited more than 2,500 families in the rural areas of Nicaragua, mainly in areas of high and extreme poverty. The income of these families before ANF support was less than \$2 a day, now it ranges \$9 a day.

Among the projects that have the highest economic impact is the production of agricultural products, such as certified seed beans, beans for consumption, vegetables, and fruits.

ANF strategy is to identify, select, organize, train and support groups of farmers and help improve their agriculture production, adding aggregated value to their cultivated products and assist them to achieve sustainability.

ANF implements these projects in coordination with the Technical Mission of Taiwan in Nicaragua, Latin America leaders and other international organizations. The "team" accompanies the peasant groups in the learning road to develop and achieve production goals to improve their economic income and therefore improve their livelihood, gaining access to education for their children and better health for the family. Small technological changes provide better production results.

Beans are a food staple for Nicaraguans and an export item to Latin America. The success of the bean seed project not only benefits the growers, but other peasant families as well, due to the commercialization which takes place at established centers in the area. Using certified seed guarantees improved grain quality, resulting in better prices for the beans that are sold.

These agricultural projects help families become self sustainable by learning a trait and putting the skills into practice which results in improved living conditions for families and entire communities. The commercialization of all agriculture products is done by local partner organizations of ANF, which are accredited for this purpose.

### **Economic Development – Livestock Projects:**

Other economic development initiative is the small livestock project. Small family farms raise pelibuey and chickens and produce meat for consumption and sales which improves the diet and provides a livelihood. The 1,220 families who have participated in the project have increased their income from \$2 a day to an average of \$5 a day.

In the case of pelibuey (a member of the sheep family), peasant families, mainly women, are trained for raising, safe handling of the offspring, and to achieve good prices in the market. This protein rich and affordable meat is in high demand in Nicaragua.

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In the case of chickens, egg production gives added value to the poultry farms.

These projects are supported by Universities close to the communities; students participate in the training and practices, and live in the community when the training takes place.

ANF's goal is to add an additional 500 families to the economic development projects each year.

#### **NOTES:**

Reposition Material (MR): gloves, syringes, cotton, surgical materials, orthopedically supplies, etc.

ANF is in dire need of pediatric medicine, especially for respiratory infections, gastric and dermic conditions, such as antibiotics, expectorant, antipyretics, vitamins, any and all pediatric medicine.

Food for Education: the schools involved in this program received from ANF in partnership with US Department of Agriculture, five basic products: rice, beans, oil, potato and cereal.

ANF in partnership with Feed My Starving Children distribute MannaPack to schools, which is a mixture of rice, soy and nutrients

Schools under both groups, Food for Education and MannaPack feed their students daily during the school year. It is a meal a day.

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