

Country profile Honduras

The housing need in Honduras

According to the study "Barriers to access to land for social housing in Honduras," conducted by Habitat for Humanity Honduras in 2016, the housing deficit in the country reaches a value of 1.138 million housing units. Some 435,167 are new homes and 702,851 are in dire need of improvements.

Also, 11.5% of homes don't have access to tap water and 24% of the houses have dirt floors.

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HABITAT FACTS:

- Habitat began working in Honduras in1989.
- Individuals served in FY2019 –
 Through new constructions –
 Through rehabilitation of housing –
 Through repairs Through market development –
 23,610
- Volunteers hosted in FY2019 1,216

COUNTRY FACTS:

Capital city – Tegucigalpa **Population** – 9.2 million **Life expectancy** – 76.2 years

Unemployment rate -- 5.7% Below poverty line -- 61.9%

How Habitat addresses the need

Construction interventions

Our housing solutions have included access to land and adequate housing for low-income Honduran families through loans with affordable payments and terms, which allow them to pay installments of a new home and their land or to improve their existing shelter. In addition, we have worked with families in extreme poverty, who have received support through subsidies, thus improving their quality of life.

The ethnic population of Honduras is about 9%. The indigenous families live in extreme poverty. Habitat has worked with different ethnic groups to improve their houses with the support from U.S. affiliates through tithe-giving, and local donors. The ethnic groups impacted so far are Lencas, Misquitos, Chortí, Garifunas, Tolupán, and Pech.

Volunteerism

Habitat Honduras participates in and promotes a series of short-term trips providing construction volunteers a comprehensive educational, cultural and spiritual experience with a low-income Honduran family, to share in the satisfaction of building their own house.

Through this program, Habitat Honduras makes an important contribution to the tourism industry, generating revenue by contracting transport services, hotels, restaurants and visits to tourist sites.

During the past year Habitat reserved over 800 hotel nights.

What you can do

DONATE

If you would like to donate, go to: www.habitathn.org/solidarizate

VOLUNTEER

Join one of the Global Village's scheduled trips to Honduras and organize your own brigade. For more information visit: www.habitat.org/gv/catalog/lac

TITHE

Habitat affiliates in the U.S. can establish a tithe partnership to help build houses. Quote HONDURAS on checks sent to: Habitat for Humanity International, Attn: Affiliate Tithe, 322 West Lamar St., Americus, GA 31709

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