



Country profile

Honduras

The housing need in Honduras

According to a 2016 study, "Barriers to access to land for social housing in Honduras," by Habitat for Humanity Honduras, the country's housing deficit exceeds 1.3 million units.

The study, whose data was updated in 2020, showed new homes comprised 38% or 522,076 units of the backlog. The remaining 844,615 units were homes that needed improvements. In addition, 11.5% of the households surveyed did not have access to tap water and 23% of the houses had dirt floors.

HABITAT FACTS:

- Habitat began working in Honduras in 1989.
- **Individuals served in FY2021 – 34,465**
 - Through new constructions – 1,600
 - Through incremental building – 135
 - Through rehabs – 890
 - Through repairs – 6,585
 - Through market development – 25,255

Volunteers hosted in FY2020 – 856



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COUNTRY FACTS:

Capital city – Tegucigalpa

Population – 9.5 million

Life expectancy – 76.2 years

Unemployment rate – 8.6%

Below poverty line – 61.9%

How Habitat addresses the need

Construction interventions

Our housing solutions include access to land and adequate housing for low-income Honduran families through loans with affordable repayment terms. Families are able to build or repair their homes and gain access to secure land tenure by paying in installments. In addition, financial support in the form of subsidies has enabled families in extreme poverty to improve their quality of life.

We also work with indigenous families who comprise about 9% of Honduras' ethnic population. Support from Habitat's U.S. affiliates through tithes as well as from local donors helps these families living in extreme poverty to improve their homes. We have supported various ethnic groups such as *Lencas*, *Misquitos*, *Chortí*, *Garifunas*, *Tolupán*, and *Pech*.

Volunteer engagement

We have extensive experience working with national and international volunteers.

Volunteers who travel to Honduras on short-term trips to build together with low-income families gain an educational, cultural, and spiritual experience.

What you can do

DONATE

Donate at www.habitathn.org/solidarizate

VOLUNTEER

The Global Village program was suspended in 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Please go to habitat.org/gv for updates, including when and where the program will resume.

TITHE

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

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