

Country profile **Paraguay**

The housing need in Paraguay

According to the Urbanism, Housing and Habitat Ministry, an estimated 1.5 million people in Paraguay have no house or live in places lacking conditions for a decent life.

In the capital city of Asunción, 17.6% of the families either rent or live in a borrowed home, and the greatest amount of housing that can be enlarged is found in the country's urban area.

With the recent high cost of loans in Paraguay, the housing shortage is experiencing meteoric growth.

HABITAT FACTS:

• Habitat began working in Paraguay in 1998.

•	Individuals served in FY2019 –	2,410
0	Through new constructions –	455
0	Through housing rehabilitation –	15
0	Through incremental building	1,235
0	Through repairs –	540
0	Through professional services –	165
•	Volunteers bested in EV2010 -	312



COUNTRY FACTS:

Capital city – Asunción Population – 7 million Life expectancy – 70 years Unemployment rate -- 5.2% Below poverty line -- 26.4%

How Habitat addresses the need

For the future of our girls and boys

This project promotes better living conditions, especially for children, through safe, healthy and durable homes. It meets the needs of vulnerable families and communities.

Serving collaborators

In partnership with companies and in the frame of their social responsibility programs, this project brings collaborators together with available opportunities for building or improving housing.

Project with financial allies

We partner with banking entities such as Visión Banco and Banco Itaú, providing accessible financing and technical assistance for quality building.

Events, campaigns and volunteerism

During the year, we promote construction addressing housing needs and mobilizing volunteers:

- The event *Mujeres Construyen, or* Women Build, fosters an awareness-raising space in the framework of the UN's Sustainable Development Goal 5 on gender equality, and involving national and international volunteers.
- The campaign *Más Baños Saludables,* or More Healthy Toilets, is a fundraising and awareness initiative contributing to Sustainable Development Goal 6 on clean water and sanitation for all.
- The volunteer program in Paraguay is organized at national and international levels.

What you can do

DONATE

If you'd like to donate, visit: http://www.habitat.org.py/dona/

VOLUNTEER

Join one of Global Village's scheduled trips to Paraguay or organize your own brigade. For more information, please visit: <u>www.habitat.org/gv/catalog/lac</u>

TITHE

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

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