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OUR PURPOSE

We help reduce multidimensional poverty in the communities within Grupo Agrolíbano's area of influence through a comprehensive, evidence-based intervention model focused on capacity building.

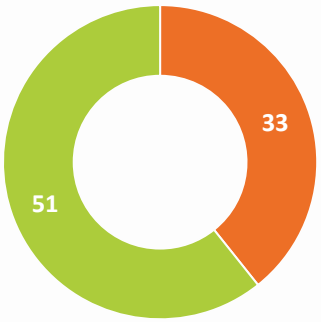
We seek prosperous, resilient, and self-sufficient communities, able to sustain their well-being over time and break the cycle of poverty for good. We are building a legacy of deep transformation, where communities recognize us as a committed ally who walks alongside them, with love, consistency, and results, in building a better future for present and future generations.

MISSION

To close sustainable development gaps in rural communities of southern Honduras, supporting the most vulnerable populations to fight malnutrition, improve health, provide access to education, and strengthen community organizations.

EARLY CHILDHOOD (PAIPI)

PARTICIPATION IN THE 4-SESSION EDUCATIONAL CYCLE



- Completed the 4-session cycle
- Have not completed the cycle

PREGNANT AND POSTPARTUM MOTHERS PREPARE FOR SAFE MOTHERHOOD

84 pregnant women took part in educational talks held by pregnancy clubs at **4 health facilities and 2 community clubs**. **33** of them completed the **4-session** cycle and are now better prepared for motherhood and newborn care.

29 postpartum mothers received a maternity basket with hygiene products for themselves and their newborns. The incentive, provided by Fundación Agrolíbano, promotes safe motherhood, breastfeeding, and the baby's enrollment in the PAIPI Early Childhood program.

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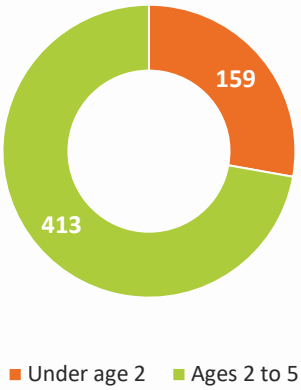
EARLY CHILDHOOD PAIPI

CHILDREN AGES 0 TO 5 CONTINUE THEIR DEVELOPMENT IN PAIPI SESSIONS

572 children ages 0 to 5 took part in 156 PAIPI sessions **(159 under age 2 and 413 ages 2 to 5), held at care centers in 18 communities.** This supports their continued development as the program expands its coverage. Sessions are led by **120 volunteers, who received training**, refresher sessions, and reflection workshops on continuous improvement in program implementation.

PARTICIPATION BY AGE GROUP



MORE THAN 400 MOTHERS STRENGTHEN LOVING PARENTING

More than 400 mothers took part in PAIPI sessions where they strengthened their ability to raise their children with love, care for them, and provide timely stimulation.

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EARLY CHILDHOOD PAIPI

CHILDREN IN 5 COMMUNITIES STRENGTHEN THEIR DEVELOPMENT WITH MONTHLY EARLY STIMULATION

192 children under age 5 from Altos de Estiquirín, Tamarindo, San Agustín, Agua Agria, and El Porvenir receive early stimulation exercises every month. The exercises support their comprehensive development and are carried out with the participation of **54 trained volunteers.**

CHILDREN AGES 3 TO 5 GET READY FOR SCHOOL

In 3 communities, **more than 40 children ages 3 to 5** attend each weekly stimulation session on average, where they build learning skills that prepare them to start school.

HEALTHY FAMILIES

HEALTH COMMITTEES ORGANIZE AROUND WORK PLANS

12 health committees have a training plan and an annual work plan, and received **24 follow-up sessions** in the first half of the year, **2 sessions** per committee. With the participation of **84 volunteers,** they strengthen their organization and drive health initiatives that promote well-being in their communities.

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COMMUNITIES MOBILIZE AGAINST DENGUE, ZIKA, AND CHIKUNGUNYA

Health committees and community volunteers lead prevention efforts against **dengue, Zika, and chikungunya** in **18 communities**, through clean-up campaigns, larvicide application in water containers, and fumigation to eliminate adult mosquitoes. The efforts are coordinated with health facilities and receive logistical support from Agrolíbano, benefiting **more than 2,700 households**. To organize, implement, and monitor these efforts, **15 meetings were held** with key stakeholders (health facilities, leaders, and volunteers), and all activities had the volunteer support of **84 representatives from 12 health committees.**

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HEALTHY FAMILIES

MEDICAL BRIGADE BRINGS HEALTH CARE TO SAN JERÓNIMO

170 people from households with health deprivations **received care at the medical brigade** held in San Jerónimo, Namasigüe, in partnership with Excel Global Outreach (EGO), expanding families' access to medical services.

UNIDOS CRECEMOS IMPROVES HOUSING FOR EMPLOYEE FAMILIES

5 families of Agropecuaria Montelíbano employees improved their quality of life through the Unidos Crecemos program: 1 received a new home and **4 benefited from home improvement projects**.

HEALTHY FAMILIES

FAMILIES GROW GARDENS FOR BETTER NUTRITION

37 households with family gardens in the Choluteca Territory received **2 training sessions** on garden management and sustainability, supporting a more varied and nutritious diet for children.

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CORN FARMERS TRAIN IN AGROECOLOGICAL PRACTICES

58 corn farmers from communities in the Choluteca Territory were trained in agroecological practices to achieve more sustainable production and strengthen household income.

TOGETHER FOR EDUCATION

TEACHING KITS REACH 74 CLASSROOMS IN 28 SCHOOLS

74 classrooms in 28 schools —14 pre-K and 60 first through third grade— received the teaching kit, with instructional materials and textbooks that strengthen teaching and learning for more than **1,000 children.**

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300 CHILDREN STRENGTHEN THEIR SPANISH AND MATH SKILLS

300 children from 14 schools take part in the Becas Tutorías tutoring program, supported by **75 trained tutors and 14 liaison teachers.** The initiative, carried out in partnership with Fundación Terra, aims to improve student performance in Spanish and math.

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CHILD FACILITATORS: CHILDREN PROMOTING SCHOOL HEALTH

More than **140 Child Facilitators from 14 schools** began their School Health training. The process combines theory sessions with follow-up activities in each classroom, where the facilitators themselves share what they learned with their classmates through peer education.

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SCHOOL GARDENS SUPPLEMENT SCHOOL MEALS

10 schools have a school garden that receives technical support to grow food that supplements school meals.

TOGETHER FOR EDUCATION

MORE THAN 1,700 STUDENTS RECEIVE THEIR FIRST WEIGHT AND HEIGHT MEASUREMENT

More than 1,700 students from pre-K through sixth grade in 28 schools received their first weight and height measurement. The results were shared with teachers and parents to follow up on children at nutritional risk. This measurement tracks children's growth and detects potential risks early, so that families and schools can act together for their health and learning.

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PARENT ASSOCIATIONS STRENGTHEN THEIR ROLE

The **Parent Associations (APF) of 14 schools** were trained in their roles, strengthening their performance and their contribution to keeping students included and enrolled in the education system.

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TOGETHER FOR EDUCATION

56 ENROLLED CHILDREN RECEIVED SCHOOL SUPPLIES AND UNIFORMS TO STAY IN SCHOOL

56 enrolled children were supported at the start of the school year **with school supplies and uniforms** as a measure to prevent dropout. With this support, they have what they need to attend class and continue their studies.

A MORE DIGNIFIED LEARNING ENVIRONMENT IN EL ESPINO

Nearly 100 students at CEB José Trinidad Reyes in El Espino, Nacaome, now have a more pleasant and dignified place to learn thanks to infrastructure improvements **made in partnership with GMQ Honduras, which donated part of the paint used on the school's exterior**.

EDUCATION FOR ALL

38 YOUNG PEOPLE STUDY IN ALTERNATIVE EDUCATION

38 young people outside the formal school system study at alternative education centers in **3 communities: 10 are in middle school and 28 in high school,** expanding their educational opportunities.

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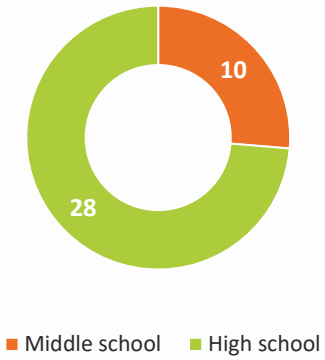
DISTRIBUTION OF YOUNG PEOPLE IN ALTERNATIVE EDUCATION



6 YOUNG PEOPLE EXPAND THEIR EDUCATION WITH SCHOLARSHIPS

6 young people from the communities we serve study on scholarships: **5 at the Luis Landa School of Agriculture and 1 at university,** with a scholarship and housing at ACOES, expanding their educational opportunities.

CONSCIOUS LEADERSHIP

LEADERS AND VOLUNTEERS MAKE THE 2026 MPI SURVEY POSSIBLE

More than 100 community leaders and volunteers took part in the **2026 Multidimensional Poverty Index (MPI) survey**, which surveyed **2,722 households in 18 communities.** The work included volunteer training, prior outreach to leaders and communities, and survey administration. **The results** identify deprivations in health, education, housing and environment, access to services, and employment, which are **priority challenges for each community's Comprehensive Community Development Plan (PDIC)**.

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3 COMMUNITIES LEARN THEIR GREATEST DEPRIVATIONS FROM THEIR MPI RESULTS

The communities of Altos de Estiquirín, Papalón, and San Agustín made progress in the **sharing of results on the deprivations identified by the Multidimensional Poverty Index (MPI).** This data will allow them to update their **Comprehensive Community Development Plans (PDIC) and prioritize** actions based on each community's greatest deprivations.

CONSCIOUS LEADERSHIP

LEADERS FROM 6 COMMUNITIES TRAIN IN DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT

Leaders from 6 communities were trained in development management, strengthening local capacity to drive sustainable community development.

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14 COMMUNITIES HAVE A PDIC; 3 ARE ALREADY PURSUING PROJECTS

14 communities have a Comprehensive Community Development Plan (PDIC) in place and under follow-up. Of these, **3 are already pursuing** projects from their plan with external organizations.

INSTITUTIONAL DEVELOPMENT

LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF (LWR) LEARNS ABOUT OUR COMMUNITY WORK

Representatives of **Lutheran World Relief (LWR)** visited **communities we serve in southern Honduras** to learn about the community work led by Fundación Agrolíbano. Pamela Molina, Director of Sustainability at Grupo Agrolíbano and President of the Foundation, presented the institutional sustainability strategy, laying the groundwork for a lasting partnership that will benefit thousands of households.

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OFFICE OF THE FIRST LADY VISITS NAMASIGÜE

Fundación Agrolíbano accompanied the visit of the Office of the First Lady of Honduras, Mrs. Lissette Asfura, to communities in Namasigüe, Choluteca. The meeting strengthens public-private partnerships that **promote community leadership, education, health, and coordinated work on behalf of children and families.**

INSTITUTIONAL DEVELOPMENT

SAN JERÓNIMO LEADERS DISCUSS THEIR DEVELOPMENT

Leaders and community stakeholders from San Jerónimo, Namasigüe, discussed the progress and challenges of their communities' development in a panel discussion with local authorities and members of **the Donor Network, including Fundación Terra, FEREMA, and Fundación Ficohsa**. The meeting reaffirms Fundación Agrolíbano's commitment to local leadership and to bringing stakeholders together for sustainable development.

FUNDACIÓN AGROLÍBANO AND FUNDACIÓN TERRA RENEW THEIR PARTNERSHIP

Fundación Agrolíbano and Fundación Terra renewed their partnership of more than 12 years by signing the 2026 agreement, which strengthens the Becas Tutorías program in 14 schools in Valle and Choluteca. **More than 300 students receive support from 75 trained tutors** who reinforce **their learning in Spanish and math**, opening real opportunities for their comprehensive development.

INSTITUTIONAL DEVELOPMENT

BANCO SANTANDER LEARNS ABOUT THE COMMUNITY MODEL IN CHILAMATADA

Representatives of Banco Santander visited Chilamatada (Nacaome, Valle), where leaders, volunteers, and program participants shared the results of a social investment model based on data and community action that strengthens local capacity and improves families' lives.

EUROPEAN UNION AND CDE MIPYME MEET WITH ALTOS DE ESTIQUIRÍN

Community leaders and volunteers from Altos de Estiquirín, together with Fundación Agrolíbano, welcomed the European Union's Head of Cooperation, Cristina Marín, and her team, as well as representatives of CDE MIPYME Gulf of Fonseca Region. They shared how they organize community work, the challenges they face, and the actions they are advancing through their Comprehensive Community Development Plan.

INSTITUTIONAL DEVELOPMENT

PARTNERSHIP WITH CORUS INTERNATIONAL AND LWR

Fundación Agrolíbano and Corus International, through Lutheran World Relief (LWR), signed a memorandum of understanding to advance sustainable development. The partnership will build capacity, promote **employment opportunities and social inclusion, and open training opportunities for young people, women, and rural communities.**

FIRST MEDICAL BRIGADE WITH FUNDACIÓN AMIGOS DE BERNABÉ

Representatives of Fundación Amigos de Bernabé visited Altos de Estiquirín and Tamarindo (Nacaome, Valle) and Agua Agria No. 2 (El Corpus, Choluteca) to organize the first joint medical brigade, scheduled for October. Leaders and volunteers are helping prioritize the most vulnerable children, adolescents, and households in the 3 communities.

INSTITUTIONAL DEVELOPMENT

FUNDACIÓN AGROLÍBANO CHARTS ITS 2026-2029 PATH BASED ON COMMUNITY DEPRIVATIONS

Fundación Agrolíbano has a 2026-2029 Strategic Plan that will guide the organization's priorities and lines of action over the next four years, using as its starting point the main deprivations identified through the **2026 Multidimensional Poverty Index (MPI).**

The planning process began in April **with a consultation with the Agrolíbano Board of Directors and had the active participation of the entire Fundación Agrolíbano team.** The process was facilitated by Roxana Víquez, International Sustainability and Strategy Consultant, who guided the reflection and definition of the strategic priorities that will steer the Foundation's work toward an increasingly targeted, relevant, and evidence-based intervention.

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