

Village Update

Futuro del Mañana, Nicaragua



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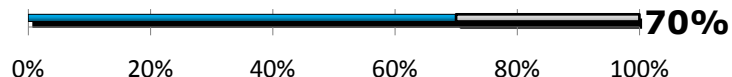
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Agros uses 20 indicators to measure the impact of our work in Agros communities. Indicators measure predetermined outcomes, such as improved access to water, that are hoped to be achieved through Agros' work and make up the greater vision of Agros, to restore hope to the world's poor. The eight indicators below are measured on an annual basis and are now included in each quarterly Village Update.

ANNUAL INDICATORS OF VILLAGE PROGRESS

(June 2010) Founded: 1999

Development Level—Progress through the Agros Development Model. Direct support typically ends at 70% and 100% is reached when land loans are repaid.



Economic Indicators:

Diversification of income-generating crops:

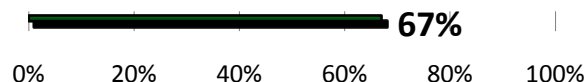
6 types of crops sold to provide income

90% of people have livestock

Participation in commercialization of products:

85% of people commercialize their products

Enterprise loan repayment rates:



Community Indicators:

Access to water for domestic use:

100% of families have water at 0-10 meters from home

**This goal has been revised from 0-100 meters to accurately reflect Agros' priority to ensure accessible water closer to the home.*

Presence of health promoters in community:

Yes

School-aged children attending school:

100%

Leadership Positions Held by Women:

55%

Modesta is a humble woman, but a hard worker dedicated to the success of her community. That's why she serves as a member of the health committee and always participates in community activities. Modesta and her husband, José, are especially proud of their sons. One is an agronomist, one a civil engineer, and two are carpenters, working in a family-owned shop in the village.

Modesta and José are both grateful to God for the opportunity to be part of the Agros program and to provide an education for their sons. They emphasize that though it's been hard work, they believe the Bible when it says that everything has its own time.

Community Organization

The residents of Futuro del Mañana continue to be unified in their commitment to the community's regulations and to making wise decisions for the good of all 33 families. They respect the authority of their elected leaders, and they work well together.



Land Ownership

Another land title ceremony was held this quarter. Families receiving their titles enjoyed recounting their experiences and commemorating Agros' help in realizing their dreams in the presence of visitors.

In anticipation of the "graduation" of this village from direct support from Agros, no further project loans are being provided. Families are working to pay off the loans they have previously received, and they are looking forward to the day when they can be free and clear of all debt to Agros.

Housing and Infrastructure

The families of this village are proud of their homes. Several have already expanded them and added improvements.

Families also continue to work together to repair the main access road, and to improve the community's internal roads.

Sustainable Economic Growth

Because of the recent drought, the rice and bean harvest produced a smaller yield than usual. But since they have learned to diversify their crops, families were able to harvest additional crops of passion fruit, plantains, and vegetables such as squash.

One setback experienced this quarter was the theft of the pump that operates the irrigation system. The community hopes to replace the pump soon, because the system is critical to the health of crops during this dry season.

Community Education and Training

The community's children and youth are diligent in their school attendance and studies. They are encouraged in their studies by their parents, who have come to recognize the importance of education for their children.

Agros staff has also noticed not only an increase in the aptitudes but also a positive change in the attitudes and ambitions of youth who have grown up in the community.

The majority of the families are active participants in the local evangelical church and have are committed to demonstrating Christian character in their actions and relationships.