

Nuevo San Pedrito, Mexico Village Plan FY2009 (July 2008-June 2009):

This Annual Village Plan has been developed by the children, women, and men of Nuevo San Pedrito through the Values-Based Planning process, a process in which the entire community chooses the upcoming year's activities based on their commonly-held values, vision, and goals.

Land Ownership

<u>Objective:</u> The people and families involved in the projects have developed a great sense of dignity and responsibility in maintaining and developing their land, as well as supporting a sustainable economy.

- Reforestation: The community uses natural resources sustainably, such as firewood, and have begun to reforest the land using native species
- Fertile Land: The families increase soil fertility using organic fertilizer and irrigating year round
- Land Acquisition: The families gain access to new land through land loans on which to produce their crops

Housing and Infrastructure

Objective: Families have access to infrastructure to meet the basic needs of their families for protection from the elements and to care for the environment.

- **Community Center:** The families have committed to working to care for the community center and improve its conditions
- **Housing:** The families will continue to improve their living conditions building floors and plastering walls
- Solar Energy: Families will work to install solar electric plants in the community
- Water System: Families will build rustic water filters in order to provide water for domestic use in their homes
- Composting Latrines: The community will build composting latrines in order to improve general sanitation

Community Education and Training

Objective: Each member of the community will have formed a culture of strong values as a base for their communal life and to sustain their development process.

- Adult Education: Adults in the community will reach a basic level of literacy
- Elementary School: The children in elementary school will take periodic evaluations, to make sure that they are staying on course
- Sustainability: The families will learn about nutrition, health, environmental cleanliness and education to improve the quality of life for themselves and future generations
- **Health:** The families will improve levels of health and nutrition

Community Organization

Objective: Families will apply the necessary actions to facilitate their sustainability through participation, service and justice.

- Leadership Development: Develop diverse and capable leadership, to work actively with the vision and plans of the different members of the community
- **Participation:** Develop and increase participation in the projects and committees, and increase the participation of all involved in the community

Sustainable Economic Growth

Objective: The community would be assured of enough food, and would obtain self-sufficiency, and be part of a viable economy through enterprise Also, train families to achieve a high level of productivity and fair trade of their goods and services.

- **Fruit Project:** Plant and maintain a variety of fruit trees to supplement their diets, incomes, and diversify the produce available in the community
- Basic Grains: Accompaniment and training will increase the productivity of the bean and corn crops
- **Crop Diversification**: Training in cultivation of diverse crops, to grow tomatoes, onions, and watermelon
- Small Livestock Project: Increase the number of chickens and turkeys and acquire more efficient raising and marketing techniques
- Handicraft Project: Training to develop their artistic abilities, as well as increase the quantity and quality of the articles produced in order to increase income to the participants