



# SewHope

## Community Development Projects

Providing the supplies, education, and opportunities local families need to create and sustain cleaner, safer living environments and improve their overall health.

We partner with Guatemalan families to help them obtain the tools and skills they need to determine their own futures.

## Current Projects

### Chispa Stoves

- Replaces typical open-flame cooking with highly efficient, low emission stoves
- In 2025, 69 Chispa stoves were installed, and this year an additional 40 will be installed
- These stoves require less wood and vent the smoke out of the home, keeping families safer and healthier, and saving them hundreds of dollars per year on wood costs.

### Poultry and Tilapia

- Four pools house up to 2,000 tilapia to be sold and to feed students
- Over 1,500 chickens are raised each year as part of SewHope's at-home sustainable foods initiative, providing nourishment for students and additional income for families through sales.

### At-Home Sustainable Foods Initiative

- Teaches local families how to grow and sustain gardens, and how to raise poultry
- SewHope provides the seeds, the feed, the chicks and support throughout

### Solar Lights and Eco-Filters

- Solar lamps provide light for those without electricity, ensuring families can work and students can continue to study after the sun sets
- Eco-Filters filter drinking water, removing 99% of harmful bacteria
- 71 water filters were installed in 2025

### Agriculture on Campus

- 40+ variety of fruits and vegetables are cultivated year-round
- Drip-irrigation system waters the gardens while reducing over all water usage and man-hours

