

## Village Update

*Futuro del Mañana, Nicaragua*



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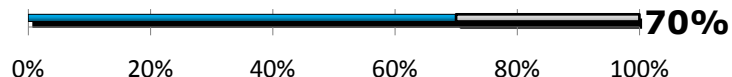
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Agros uses 20 indicators to measure the impact of our work in Agros communities. Indicators measure predetermined outcomes, such as improved access to water, that are hoped to be achieved through Agros' work and make up the greater vision of Agros, 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:

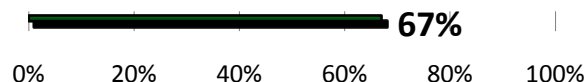
**6 types of crops sold to provide income**

**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%**

The leaders of Futuro del Mañana continue to put into practice the lessons they have learned from Agros over the years. And they are managing the community with wisdom in order to benefit everyone.

Community members respect the leadership, who are committed to the values of unity, respect, harmony and solidarity. They are particularly adept at resolving conflicts. And the community assemblies over which they preside are productive meetings in which everyone participates in a spirit of agreement.

## **Community Organization**

Community leadership continues working with the municipal government and other local organizations to access resources that will improve the health, education and agricultural pursuits of the community.

For example, this quarter, they collaborated with the municipal government to repair the community's main road. They organized the families to lend their help to the work.

Leadership also collaborated with the health committee to improve the administration of the communal medicine/first aid kit and develop a consistent plan for maintaining community hygiene.

## **Land Ownership**

This quarter, another family completed paying off their land loan, bringing the number of land owners in Futuro del Mañana to 19. They are happy to have achieved their dream and look forward to receiving the official deed to their land.

The three remaining families with outstanding land debts are working hard, with the support of the Agros team and the community leadership, to join those who are already proud land owners.

Since the community is in its final stage of support from Agros, no project loans were provided to families this quarter. They are now working to finish paying back any previous loans they have been given.

## **Sustainable Economic Growth**

During the quarter, the families prepared their land for the next cycle of planting corn and beans, basics of their diets.

To finance this planting cycle, the families used their own resources. It is a great accomplishment for them to no longer be dependent on Agros.

## **Community Education and Training**

Community parents continue to be committed to their children's education, helping them reach the highest level possible.

The community members are very spiritually minded. They are active participants in churches both inside and outside the village. And their Christian values are demonstrated in their everyday lives.



***A land title ceremony recently held at Future del Mañana was an exciting event, filmed and attended by guests from the United States.***