

SCHOOL ROOF REPLACEMENT PROJECT LAGUNA LARGA COMMUNITY, GUATEMALA





THE CONTEXT AND THE NEED: Laguna Larga is a very remote rural community of the San Andres municipality, in the department of Peten, Guatemala. It is located right at the northern border with Mexico, one day away from Flores, the Peten departmental capital traveling through a very bumpy road. For this community, it is easier to travel through Mexican territory to go to their administrative capita. The community has a population of 800 inhabitants that live basically out of agriculture and small-scale cattle

raising. It is an extremely marginalized community that lacks basic services like water and electricity. For its inhabitants, it's easier to cross the border to Mexico to access some basic services. The lack of public transport makes access to public facilities and other economic activities harder than in other regions of Guatemala.

The community has a school with 80 students from preschool through sixth grade. The infrastructure condition is very poor. The school is made by five individual huts. Some of them have rustic sticks in the walls and others are totally open. All of them have thatched roof. This works during the dry season, but they get wet during the rainy season (nine months) and when they are saturated they leak. The roof needs to be replaced every year. This project will provide 100 zinc sheets to replace the existing roof and improve in general the current conditions. Each of the five huts will receive 20 sheets of roofing.

More photos of the school available at:

https://photos.app.goo.gl/zoTr7xxbLnVS5CHo6

BUDGET:

DESCRIPTION	UNIT COST	QUANTITY	TOTAL
12 feet metal roofing sheets	\$19.50	100	\$1,950.00
Roofing sheets nails (kilogram	\$5.55	12 kg	\$66.60
Transport	\$50.00	1	\$50.00
SUB TOTAL			\$2,066.60
Community contribution			\$50.00
Project management			400.40
TOTAL REQUESTED			\$2,417.00