



# Project Success Story

## Nicaragua

Since 2009, TGUP has built 28 new classrooms, libraries, kitchens, and learning resource centers at schools in Nicaragua. These are helping *thousands* of Nicaraguan students have a better chance to get a good education. **Over their expected lives (30+ years), they will help *more than a hundred thousand* students.**

At the El Paraiso School, the increase in student enrollment meant that preschool classes had to be held in the kitchen. Not only was the room unsuitable as a classroom, but the kitchen could no longer be used to prepare meals.



**Preschool in the kitchen**



**New preschool classroom**

Working with our local partner, Seeds of Learning (SOL), we are able to keep the costs down by having local people (and TGUP volunteers) contribute the labor.



**Old classroom at San Martin**



**New classroom at San Martin**

Many schools hold classes in coffee storage barns, which means students can't have class during the harvest season. They have no electricity and are partially open to the elements, so cannot be used when the rains come. The new classrooms address all of these flaws.



**Coffee barn classroom at Santa Isabel**



**New classroom at Santa Isabel**



**Montegrando storage used for classes**



**New classrooms at Montegrando**



**Students in old Guadalupe Arriba classroom**



**New classrooms Guadalupe Arriba**



Since 2009, hundreds of TGUP student volunteers have traveled to Nicaragua during the summers to help build these classrooms. They pay their own way and work side-by-side with local people to build the classrooms. Here are a few of the projects they worked on:



**At Tepeyac**



**TGUP students at Villa Japon**



**Montegrande construction**



**Working at Guadalupe Arriba**



**Manuel Piquera School**



**Constructing walls at 15 de Septiembre**

In addition to the classrooms, TGUP has built latrines, libraries, learning resource centers, and classrooms at Villa Japon and Los Laureles that can be opened to be used as an auditorium for school use, or as a resource for community meetings and adult education.



**New classrooms at 15 de Septiembre**



**Auditorium at Villa Japon**



**Library at Los Laureles School**



**Learning resource center in Tipitapa**

These are just a few of the many projects TGUP has completed in just one developing world country. Altogether, **we have completed more than 225 such projects in 21 countries** in Africa, Central America, and Asia. Classrooms, medical clinics, latrines, science labs, libraries, water wells, playgrounds, and more. **These projects dramatically improve life chances for some of the poorest people in the world.**

DO NOT DOUBT that your donation, no matter how small, can change the world. As our motto says, “Even the greatest waterfall starts with a single drop of water.” **You** are one of those drops! As with all TGUP projects, EVERY DOLLAR DONATED goes into the designated project. If you have helped, thank you. If you have not, why not? Join us. The world needs you, and *you* can make it a better place.