

# CHICKEN PROJECT SUMMARY

## CUBULCO 2022



Our vision is to bring hope and food security to poor families.

### BACKGROUND

In 2018, the Central Presbyterian Church participated in a Mission trip to Cubulco, Guatemala, to help a local church build 3 classrooms for Sunday school. At that time, the team saw the needs of the local people and implemented small chicken projects; with three hens and four sq. meters of chicken wire. In July 2021, the Ortiz family returned to Cubulco to continue the church's work and create new mission areas. Through Impact Hope (Mission Agency) and the Central Presbyterian Church, the Ortizes will restart the chicken project. Their vision is to bring hope and food security to low-income families.

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### HOW WILL THE PROJECT BE IMPLEMENTED?

A Guatemalan Christian agronomist Willy Urizar will provide the necessary expertise. TENAMASTE is the name of the work team that will be helping us with the chicken project. Their name means 'Wisdom and Coexistence' in Aguacateco Mayan Language. Their work aims to recover and promote endogenous agricultural production and empower women and their knowledge of Ethnoveterinary. Tenamaste is a team of Guatemalan community developers whose goal is to work with indigenous people. They focus on facilitating appropriate agricultural methods using local resources specific to indigenous people. They have successfully promoted food sovereignty in Guatemala through 12 years of field experience with more than 170 organized community groups.



**DEVELOPMENT OF KNOWLEDGE & LOCAL PRACTICES: TENAMASTE will redirect the local people's knowledge in a more participatory manner.**

## GOALS OF THE PROJECT

To strengthen the food and economic conditions of the families of the target group, to develop alternative agricultural production and practices, and to learn more about God.

### SPECIFICS:

- Strengthen knowledge in raising Creole chickens.
- Empower local techniques and practices by carrying out a process of endogenous livestock management.
- Generate income to help the economy of the target families and share profit with those in need in their community.

## WHO WILL IT IMPACT?

Families will practice an endogenous model of livestock production on a creole chicken. Each family would have access to at least 15 hens and one rooster and dedicate themselves to breeding creole chicken with local techniques and organic feed.

## METHODOLOGY

- Build a relationship with the community to understand the pre-existent knowledge and worldview of the local people.
- Build on capacities and needs by gathering inputs from the beneficiaries who know their reality.
- Development of Knowledge and Local Practices
- Control of development alternatives to empower local knowledge and to preserve the local way to do things.
- Marketing to promote and create links with other Mayan communities for a better sale of their products.
- Quality control to ensure a high-quality product that is superior to the conventional ones.
- Workshops and training to redirect all the knowledge of the local people in a more participatory manner.

## SUMMARY

The project's donors would contribute tin metal roofs, meshes, and corn; the families would contribute their time, labor, and supplies for medicines; the technical team would train the group every three weeks and schedule the follow-ups. The goal is to do this project for six months at the start. Each beneficiary family could give three chickens to another needy family (known as a 'chain pass'). In this way, the project would be a long-term initiative; and a way of showing love for other brothers and sisters from the surrounding communities.



In the process of making organic antibiotics and vitamins.



When the project is self-sustained, we expect that the group will sponsor a family or families in need and start the whole process of training with them.

## BUDGET

Phase I		Phase II	
01.	Training sessions	01.	Making chicken food
02.	Building chicken coops	02.	Making antibiotics & vitamins
03.	Building drinkers & feeders	03.	Buying chickens
04.	Building nesting boxes	04.	Chicken care
05.	Nails & Screws	05.	Production and management of chickens
06.	Tin Roof		
07.	Chicken mesh		
08.	Boards		

**Cost per family = CND\$ 1,000.00**

**Total Cost for 12 families = CND\$ 12,000**

**Miscellaneous Cost = CND\$ 1,500**

**TOTAL COST of the project = CND \$ 13,500.00**