

# Amigos for Christ

## FEEDING CENTERS

SANTA MATILDE, VILLA CATALINA, & NUEVA SALVACIÓN

### THE PROBLEM

Malnutrition is an aching constant problem in much of Nicaragua. Families struggle to feed themselves one nutritious meal a day. As a result, children lose focus in the classroom or **DO NOT ATTEND SCHOOL** at all. 2 of 3 children in the Chinandega do not finish 6<sup>th</sup> grade.



### OUR APPROACH

Amigos for Christ works with the Nicaraguan Ministry of Education to build primary schools and employ qualified and motivated teachers. After 1 year, the Ministry of Education incorporates these schools into the national education system and assumes financial responsibility for the school. We also start feeding centers at these schools as an additional incentive to come to school and at the same time offer valuable nourishment. The **ATTENDANCE RATE INCREASES DRAMATICALLY** when children and parents know a good meal is waiting at the end of classes.



### WHY

In order to learn, children must be healthy. We want to provide a school environment where **OPPORTUNITY IS ABUNDANT**. In such a poor country, the national budget does not include feeding center operation which we feel is a very important aspect to education. That is why we help in this area.

### THE PLAN

Amigos for Christ operates feeding centers in Santa Matilde, Villa Catalina and Nueva Salvacion communities that serve 2 healthy meals a day and vitamins to nearly **800 CHILDREN** who attend the schools. Parents volunteer to cook and serve the food, thereby becoming an important part of the operation and helping to ensure its success.

### EXPERIENCE

The community feeding centers have fulfilled their purpose by encouraging kids to attend school. We find that the school children are healthier, happier and more alert each year. They look forward to eating eggs, beans, rice and tortillas and drinking a glass of milk each day. The eggs are collected fresh from the chicken house at Villa Catalina. Mothers of the school kids volunteer together on behalf of their children. A sense of pride and fairness prevails that benefits everyone.



## BUDGET

Summarized Budget:

Feeding Center	# of Children	Cost /month
Villa Catalina	216	\$764.54
Santa Matilde	450	\$1,066.01
Nueva Salvacion	130	\$496.82
<b>Total per month</b>	<b>796</b>	<b>\$2,327.37</b>

Detailed Budgets

### Villa Catalina Feeding Center

Supply	Cost/mo
Aceite	\$62.08
Ajo	\$4.00
Arroz	\$101.56
Avena	\$23.30
Azúcar	\$33.76
Baygón	\$2.70
Cal	\$1.41
Carne Molida	\$47.84
Cebolla	\$8.26
Chiltoma	\$6.60
Chincaca de pollo	\$27.06
Cloro	\$1.46
Desinfectante	\$4.52
Fosforo	\$1.32
Frijoles	\$91.14
Huevos	\$72.65
Jabón Lavaropa	\$2.74
Maíz	\$33.51
Naranja Agrias	\$1.30
Pan	\$178.38
Papas	\$14.99
Pastes Verdes	\$1.57
Queso	\$26.85
Repollos	\$1.25
Sal	\$1.34
Salsa de Tomate	\$9.44
Tomate	\$3.52
<b>Total per month</b>	<b>\$764.54</b>

### Santa Matilde Feeding Center

Supply	Cost/mo
Aceite	\$81.04
Arroz	\$130.62
Avena	\$23.30
Azúcar	\$45.01
Baygón	\$2.70
Cloro	\$1.46
Desinfectante	\$4.52
Espaguetti	\$22.57
Fósforos	\$1.32
Frijoles	\$113.92
Huevos	\$227.03
Jabón Lavatrastos	\$3.66
Maíz	\$67.03
Mejoras	\$324.32
Pastes Verdes	\$2.09
Sal	\$4.19
Salsa de Tomate	\$9.44
Vinagre de Frutas	\$1.78
<b>Total per month</b>	<b>\$1,066.01</b>

### Nueva Salvacion Feeding Center

Supply	Cost/mo
Aceite	\$62.08
Ajo	\$3.26
Arroz	\$87.06
Avena	\$23.30
Azúcar	\$33.76
Baygón	\$2.70
Cal	\$1.41
Cebolla	\$4.82
Chiltoma	\$5.19
Desinfectante	\$4.52
Espaguetti	\$22.57
Fósforos	\$1.32
Frijoles	\$68.35
Huevos	\$90.81
Jabón Lavatrastos	\$2.74
Maíz	\$33.51
Pastes Verdes	\$1.57
Queso	\$36.31
Sal	\$2.09
Salsa de Tomate	\$9.45
<b>Total per month</b>	<b>\$496.82</b>