

June 2015

**RESILIENCE IN THE AMERICAS PROGRAM (RITA)
Honduras Red Cross**

GENERAL OBJETIVE

The work relation between the American Red Cross and the Honduran Red Cross started on 2011, through the Project Improvement of Health in communities that were affected by Hurricane Mitch, through a follow-up of integral model on water and sanitation. After this process, actions have not been developed until 2014, where efforts were made for the development of RITA program, for the importance of highlighting the vulnerability of the region and reinforce work areas, where the American Red Cross have contributed before.

In this sense, it started with an Integral Participative Diagnostic made in 3 communities and the strengthening the NS capacity building, the Red Cross local committees, in addition with educational activities addressed to strengthen the NS capacity on response of disaster.

ACTIVITIES DESCRIPTION

The execution of actions started with the development on the TOT, updated version of IPA, after it, an induction of RITA Project was made with the participation of authorities, administrative staff and the National Society teamwork.

Actions have been developed, linked with the strengthening of the National Society, Executor team and Red Cross local committee on project management.

At community level, a socialization of the program, objectives and expected results were conducted with stakeholders (Consejo 58, Municipally and Consejo 17) to make sure the work plans were known with the purpose of motivating the community to participate on necessary workshops for the application of participative tools that could include the community action plans, that will identify needs, in order to design the activities addressed to give a response in a progressive manner.

STAKEHOLDERS/PARTNERS

The 3 communities involved in the implementation process of the program (community leaders, community members), Municipally of Jesus de Otoro, NGO's as Vision Mundial, Foundation of participatory farmers of Honduras and International Plan)

EXPECTED RESULTS

Objective 1: To increase the NS capacity on services.

- Improve the NS capacity on program management.
- Improve the NS capacity on response of disaster.

Objective 2: To create opportunities in vulnerable communities to improve the resilience.

- Improve the NS capacity on response of disaster.

PROJECT ADVANCES (January 2015 to June 2015)

During the program execution, Actions on strengthening the National Society and the community have been followed in order to continue working on the planning, ensuring the community awareness and the developing of participative tools on building community actions, that will generate activities to be developed during RITA III, fiscal period 2016.



Implementation of participative tools, DPI methodologies.

Strategy of intervention:

Application of the methodologies as reference (DIP and SPAC). The evaluations will be made through baseline, endline, checklists, home visits, focus groups, interviews and others.

Priorization of this areas:

Strengthening on the NS capacity of Services (project management, plans of response, volunteer management)

- Risk reduction and response to disasters.
- Water management and hygiene (PHAST)
- Community Health (SPAC)
- Community empowerment.
- Community organization and local development.

Project Lifetime

From January to June 2015

Direct Beneficiaries

873 Direct Beneficiaries

Location:

3 communities of the Municipality of Jesús de Otoro : Las Aguilas, Las casitas and Casas Viejas.

Funds:

\$49,909.00USD

Achievements from January 2015 to June 2015:

- 873 registered beneficiaries.
- Product of the methodology DPI , the community actions for Las Aguilas Community, Las Casitas and Casas Viejas contained : General information of the community, demographic aspect of the community, capacities, community resources, topics identified by the community with possible solutions to the identified problematic.
- 36 community leaders and 7 members of the community were trained on basic first aid.
- Baseline survey, 104 instruments applied, 6 groups focused on Health and Municipally area.
- Strengthening on the monitoring system, 2 volunteers of the Municipality of Jesus Otoro, Marcala, belong to Region II OF CRH.

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Baseline survey



Workshop on strenghtening of Monitoring system