

ONE DAY CHALLENGE

Yes, I would like to be a partner in the ONE DAY CHALLENGE and assist the people in Chimis Tejeras who earn only \$2.00/day.

Your contribution to the ONE DAY CHALLENGE is fully eligible for a donation receipt.

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Please include all information for donation receipt purposes.

Suggested 'One Day Challenge' contribution:

Based on 250 working days per year, one day of earnings is the equivalent of \$40 for every \$10,000 of annual income (ie. \$50,000 annual income equals \$200/day). However, any amount is greatly appreciated and will go toward meeting the urgent needs in the community of Chimis Tejeras.

Please contact us at info@carpenteros.ca if you would like to know more about additional opportunities to support priority needs in Chimis Tejeras and other impoverished Honduran communities.

Please make cheques payable to 'Carpenteros and Friends' and note 'One Day Challenge' on the memo line.

One Day Challenge contributions may also be sent to:

Carpenteros and Friends
c/o Calvary Christian Reformed Church
265 Middletown Road
RR1, Dundas, ON L9H 5E1



You can also donate online at: www.carpenteros.ca
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How much of a difference can
ONE DAY
make?



That's up to YOU!



Maria Hernandez is among the residents of Chimis Tejas who will receive a hygiene and sanitation unit.



Chimis Tejas

Chimis Tejas, Lempira, Honduras

Protecting the vulnerable supply of drinkable ground water has become a constant challenge for the 250 residents of Chimis Tejas, located in the mountains of western Honduras.

More than two-thirds of the residents do not have a latrine, a place to bathe, or proper water storage basins. This lack of basic sanitation can result in contamination of the village's precious drinking water, especially during the rainy season.

The goal of this year's ONE DAY CHALLENGE is to provide simple but effective latrine/basin/shower units for some of the neediest families in Chimis Tejas, through local partner CASM (Mennonite Social Action Commission) and World Renew.

One Day Challenge projects benefit families in extreme poverty, particularly the elderly, disabled, and those with young children, and where homes have serious safety and sanitary deficiencies.

Every penny you give will directly benefit those who need it most, in ways that instill renewed hope, offer dignity and bring about lasting improvement. By giving the equivalent of one day of income, you can help to bring a lifetime of change to the families in Chimis Tejas.



Women from Chimis Tejas wash laundry against rocks by a mountain spring.

Hygiene and Sanitation Modules (approx. \$2,000 CDN each)

Steep rocky hills and mountains surround the Indigenous Lenca community of Chimis Tejas. Residents rely on subsistence farming of corn and beans. Their main source of income comes from November to March when they leave their village to work as coffee harvesters in the mountains to the northwest. Four months of meager income must sustain them until the harvest, and buy school supplies for their children.

While the community is now accessible by road year-round, there is no electricity. Cellular phone service is intermittent, and solar panels offer the only means for charging phones.



One of the washing stations and latrines currently being used in Chimis Tejas.

Of the 65 homes in Chimis Tejas, 45 families do not have a latrine and 38 do not have any means for water storage. All of the houses are built from mud bricks, and nearly all have dirt floors. There is no school. The 47 students are taught in a house that community members converted into classrooms.

The residents of Chimis Tejas recently undertook a 'Community Diagnosis' to identify their assets and their needs.

The top priority was for housing improvements, such as latrines, concrete floors, water basins (pilas) and repairs to walls. This closely aligns with the community's second priority - to protect their very limited water supply.

Through the support of this year's One Day Challenge, a number of the community's priorities will be addressed, as those in greatest need will be provided with sanitation modules that contain a latrine, a shower stall, and a water storage basin where women can also wash laundry and dishes.

These projects are far beyond the financial capability of families that earn only \$2.00 per day. But YOU can help the people of Chimis Tejas to realize their dream of a better future for themselves and their children through your support of the One Day Challenge.



The sanitation units to be constructed in Chimis Tejas will have a toilet, wash/laundry basin and a shower stall.