



Los Mangos, Honduras

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In Los Mangos, a persistent water crisis affected the lives of community members, leading to significant health challenges and disruptions to daily routines. For many years, residents relied on hand-dug wells, where they drew water manually with buckets. These wells were the primary drinking, cooking, and hygiene water source. Although the wells met basic needs, they were labor-intensive and vulnerable to contamination. This routine significantly strained community members' health and energy, leaving them little time for other essential tasks or paid work. Eventually, the community dug more wells, which provided some relief; however, because they were unprotected and poorly constructed, allowing waterborne bacteria to fester.

Santo Canales, a resident and plumber in Los Mangos, shared how lack of safe water impacted his life. He said, "Several years ago, there was a great shortage of water. I remember that my mother and I would go to another community to wash clothes and walked three kilometers to the ravine where the river was. It was very difficult for both of us, but it was the only option we had to be able to clean our family's clothes."

The Los Mangos community in Honduras has experienced a profound transformation. After enduring years of severe water scarcity, families now have access to safe, reliable water, a gift that will shape their future for generations. Living Water International constructed a safe water source that not only meets the community's daily needs but also empowers them to build healthier lives. This life-giving resource means children can attend school healthy and focused, parents can spend less time collecting water and more time building a brighter future, and the entire community can thrive in new ways. With safe water flowing, hope has taken root, and Los Mangos is on a path to lasting change, fueled by faith, perseverance, and the support of those who care.



The Living Water team drilled 77 meters to access an underground aquifer. After testing the water to ensure it was safe, the staff treated the borehole with shock chlorination.



These residents will serve on the water committee, which was created to oversee the well. The Living Water staff will support the communities' sustainability practices and stay in contact with the water committee to monitor the well's functionality.