Joseph Valladares Ortiz

ID # HC30876  Gender: Boy  Community: Gonzales, Honduras  Birth Date: 07/20/2011

About Me:

Hi! My name is Joseph. My birthday is July 20, 2011. My father and mother are factory workers. I have no brothers and sisters. I like to study Science in school. I help my family at home by cleaning my shoes. I enjoy playing the drums. My favorite color is green. When I grow up I want to be a police officer.

About My Community:

I live in Honduras, which is a beautiful country in Central America. We speak Spanish. In my community of Gonzales, we eat foods like rice, beans, and corn or flour tortillas, which are delicious! Our homes are typically made of cement blocks with metal roofs. In my community, there are not very many jobs for the adults: they build blocks or work in the cardboard factory. Many times adults travel to San Pedro Sula for housekeeping or maintenance jobs. Many people earn around 6000 limperas ($300 US) each year, but that is not enough to support a family. We often have respiratory problems and digestion problems that give us stomachaches. Malnutrition is also a big problem because we do not have enough food, or even healthy foods to eat. I dream that someday my community would have clean water and a sanitation system so that we would not get sick. Maybe we could even have good foods so that we grow up strong and healthy! I also hope that there would be more jobs so that families would not have to struggle so much.

Benefits of the Program:

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