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Support Miskito Indigenous Communities in their quest for food security, improved nutrition and sustainable economic development in southeastern Honduras

Indigenous peoples in Honduras, like many around the world, have little or no access to basic services such as healthcare and education and have few strategies in place for successful economic development. The Miskito peoples of southeastern Honduras that inhabit the Rio Patuca Ecological Reserve are among the most impoverished in the country. Struck by major hurricanes on an almost annual basis, these people are in desperate need of secure food sources, programs to improve child nutrition, community based disaster management plans and programs that promote sustainable, environmentally sensitive economic development.

For this reason, Change for Children is implementing the "Indigenous Capacity Building for Improved Food Security, Nutrition and Sustainable Economic Development Project" in the area. This project emphasizes infant and child nutrition, the cultivation and trade of horticulture crops, micro credit for economic development in organic cocoa production, training in disaster management and capacity building for indigenous leaders in sustainable, environmentally sensitive economic development.



The preservation of the environment is also a key component of this project, as it is crucial that the health of the indigenous population be assured in order to preserve this vital forest region. With the survival of the Miskito peoples here, comes the survival of the forest in which they live: A forest ecosystem that plays a vital role in sustaining our planet.

Change for Children's partner in this project is the Honduran Indigenous Organization, Alianza verde (Green Alliance), a non-profit, civil society organization with a mission to promote environmental protection through sustainable development in indigenous communities. Alianza Verde has been working with Honduran indigenous communities since 1990 with a mandate to elevate the quality of life in their communities, strive for the respect of their traditions, languages and cultural identity; strengthen knowledge and practise of individual and collective rights, and arrange for economic and technical assistance.

Please contribute to solutions by supporting Change for Children and this vital project in the Honduran rainforest - a forest that is important to us all.



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