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## The Difference You Make Advocates for World Health



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Honduras is an impoverished country with the highest level of income inequality in all of Latin America. With nearly 65 percent of the population living in poverty – rates that are even higher among rural and indigenous people – and one of the world’s highest murder rates, Honduras faces many serious barriers to progress.

Unemployment, gang violence and a widespread lack of opportunity contribute to the challenging landscape. Chronic malnutrition is rampant in Honduras. Infant and child mortality rates are also high.

Honduras remains one of the most vulnerable countries to natural disasters in the world, frequently being affected by severe droughts that deplete the availability of basic crops. As a result, the country’s most vulnerable populations continue to suffer from hunger and food insecurity.

### The Blessing of a Nebulizer

The blessing of a nebulizer for someone who has breathing issues – especially a young child – is priceless in a country like Honduras where medical supplies and equipment are scarce in medical facilities and unaffordable to most private citizens.

The great demand for nebulizers is attributed to the rising incidence of chronic respiratory diseases, not to mention the rising cases of coronavirus in a country like Honduras where the toll, as of November 10, 2021, has been 376,595 confirmed cases and 10,313 deaths reported by the World Health Organization.



representative, Heydy Bu.

Since respiratory viruses are the most common trigger for patients with asthma, there has also been an increased demand to treat asthmatic patients in many regions of the country, both urban and rural.

“Thanks to the generous donation made by Food For The Poor’s donor **Advocates for World Health**, we were able to supply many clinics with a nebulizer, equipment that is of much value to both children and adults who suffer from respiratory problems,” said our in-country partner

“The beneficiary clinics that we chose to receive a nebulizer are those located in the most vulnerable areas of Honduras,” Heydy said. “These clinics have a very high demand for service and treat a large number of patients on a daily basis.

“Thanks to the donors, the many patients who seek care for respiratory issues will be able to get the treatment they need at no cost to them and without having to travel afar or to any major hospital far away from their home.”

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