SUSTAINABLE TRANSITION PLAN

PANAMA

Brigades

SUCCESS INDICATORS



HEALTH EMPOWERMENT*

- Access ** to year-round primary care through community health workers and a system for patient referral cases to access capital for more advanced medical attention
- Access to local masons and loan capital to purchase public health projects or do home renovations to improve health outcomes



ECONOMIC EMPOWERMENT

- Access to a banking infrastructure to save money, create financial plans, and take out loans to invest in their economic activities
- Access to a reforestation system that generates income for local committees to maintain over time



EDUCATION EMPOWERMENT

- Access to visiting local legal resources (attorneys and/or social workers) on a quarterly basis and access to capital to resolve their legal cases
- Waste management education

COMPONENTS (STEP-BY-STEP)

1. IDENTIFYING COMMUNITY PARTNERS

- Community selection and buy in
- Research and evaluation for baseline surveys
- Project and family profile creation (ongoing)

2. IMPLEMENTING THE HOLISTIC MODEL

- Medical Brigades every three-four months
- Creation and capitalization of Community Banks
- Creation and training of local microenterprises for the sales and distribution of Healthy Household projects
- Building a legal network of lawyers and social workers for quarterly or monthly visits
- Establishing and training a Community Health Worker network for strengthening of government system
- Establishing and training of Environmental committees
- Further capitalization of community bank as necessary to transition

3. TRANSITION OUT OF THE COMMUNITY

- Conduct end-line survey
- Provide ongoing follow-up, training, and education
- * Global Brigades Panama does not have a Water program based on the assumption that the government or local private organizations will eventually finish a very large scale project for the entire region. Work is being done to assess if Global Brigades can facilitate or support the project in any way.
- **The word Access is highlighted to distinguish that it is not Global Brigades' objective to ensure every household has every possible project. It is to ensure that families have access to our programming IF they desire to participate in it through either an affordable subsidization or full cost recovery program that is led by local entrepreneurs in or around their community.