

Agrarian Enterprise

The Altiplano of Puno, Perú

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Life at 13,000 feet in the Andes is a constant challenge. For over 600 years the Quechua-speaking communities have lived at the lowest level of Peruvian society.

Today, greenhouses are changing all this changing all this thanks to Kusimayo and the IAA, two Peruvian NGOs; with help from Rotary clubs in Northern California.

Families work together creating 1,800 adobe bricks to build the 65'x16' structures. This is their sweat equity.

Within one year these farmers are moving from subsistence agriculture to sustainability in the market economy.





Yachachiqs, Quechua-speaking Farmers/mentors provide peer to peer training for the families. Trained by our partner the IAA in Cusco, they are the key to the success of the families' greenhouses.



The greenhouses allow the families to grow and harvest Year around. Fruits and Vegetables provide a far more Nutritious diet than the historic dependence on potatoes and corn. Typically, the families are consuming 60% of the food they grow. The 40% surplus is sold in local markets. The profits provide sustainability





Kusimayo in Quechua means
“River of Happiness”



Rotarians provide the solar roofs, irrigation materials, pumps, tanks and seeds.

We also pay for the training and provide dancing partners.



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The Details – 25 Families



Project Budget

Materials	\$17,519
Fertilizers & Seeds	\$ 1,174
Greenhouse Roofs	\$18,543
Drip Irrigation System	\$ 5,512
Yachachqis- Training	\$ 5,954
Agriculturist-Training	\$ 6,471
Monitoring-IAA 12 months	\$ 3,645
Monitoring-Kusimayo	\$ 2,851
IAA Project Managing	\$ 2,503
Equipment & Tools	\$ 786
Signage	\$ 500
Contingency-7%	\$ 4,582
Total	\$70,041
Cost per family	\$ 2,802
Cost in DDF	\$ 1,401

The Partners



Rita Sedano-García
Global Grants Director
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Joaquín de la Piedra
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Antonio Nakandakari
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