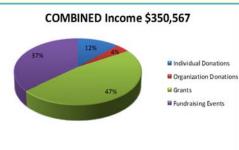
"I never thought I would see a complete water system in my community" -Primo





PROJECTS



Etta Projects' programs are only possible when people, foundations, organizations, youth groups, churches, corporations and, in 2013, even *music bands* join together to say **we can** and **we will** work together to make positive change throughout the world. We are very honored to have the opportunity to partner with each donor and group that contributed to the work of 2013.

## Etta Projects' 2013 Accomplishments!!!

**65 FAMILIES BUILT ECOLOGICAL LATRINES.** Etta Projects supported 65 families from two villages to construct, use and maintain household ecological composting latrines. The project coupled construction with a hygiene promotion program that taught families how and why to improve hygiene practices. Etta Projects trained six community sanitation promoters to strengthen hygiene and sanitation for long-term change. Since 2009, Etta Projects has transformed the sanitation situation for 240 families.

4 VILLAGES GAINED ACCESS TO CLEAN WATER. 2013 water projects brought Etta Projects to some of the remotest areas of Bolivia to provide families with safe water. Three villages without electricity received water systems powered by solar energy, while the fourth village uses a hydro-pneumatic water tower. All villages receive community hygiene training and education of a local water committee. The local water committees now manage and maintain the systems, and families pay a monthly water use fee.

44 LOCAL WOMEN TRAINED TO IMPROVE HEALTH IN THEIR COMMUNITIES. 23 of the participating health promoters began their third year of health training, focusing on issues related to health administration, mobilizing local community members, and presenting community health projects to local government. The veteran promoters also led the construction of small community health posts. An additional 21 women joined the health promoter program and began learning skills in first aid and community health. These promoters took an official exam at the end of the year to become legal community health agents recognized by the local municipality and health network.

7 RURAL SCHOOLS IMPROVE HYGIENE PRACTICES AND NUTRITION. 33 teachers, 483 students and hundreds of parents from seven communities organized to improve health and hygiene at their schools. The project included teacher training workshops, community cleanup campaigns, school gardens, produce sales, nutrition fairs, and improvements to the school lunch program. These "healthy schools" have become a public example within small communities on how to maintain a safe, hygienic environment.

**GLOBAL EDUCATION.** Etta Projects continued the U.S-based local education program "It Starts Here, Now," which has educated more than 500 Washington students on issues related to global poverty such as water contamination, basic sanitation and food scarcity.

Etta Projects improves water, sanitation and health in rural Bolivia. *Empowerment, education, improved infrastructure* and *local partnerships* are key ingredients that Etta Projects implements to promote vibrant, healthy communities.



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Dear Friends,

2013 was a year full of new and unique opportunities that positioned Etta Projects to make a powerful impact on the lives of hundreds of Bolivians. We developed new partnerships, expanded into new districts, and served more people in a single year than ever before. We are both humbled and grateful.

In 2014, Etta Projects will continue to grow its programs. We will invest in more communities and continue to build strategic partnerships with local and international organizations working towards sustainable change. In order to maintain the quality of the heartfelt, comprehensive support we offer to communities and the measureable impact at each project site, Etta Projects will need to grow its staff in Bolivia and in the U.S. We look forward to building on our success and empowering more Bolivians to improve sanitation, education and health.

We are proud of Etta's team of staff, volunteers, donors, board members, foundations, organizations, partners, and of course the children and families in each community we serve. We know we could not have the momentum we are experiencing without your support, and we appreciate your loyalty and confidence! Thank you.

Pennye Nixon, Executive Director Etta Projects

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