Project Success Story
Nicaragua

Since 2009, ODFL has built 14 new classrooms and learning resource centers at schools in Matagalpa (west-central) and Tipitapa (near Managua). These facilities are helping thousands of Nicaraguan students have a better chance to get a good education. Over their expected lives (30+ years), they will help more than a hundred thousand students.

At the El Paraiso School, the increase in student enrollment meant that preschool classes had to be held in the kitchen. Not only was the room unsuitable as a classroom, but the kitchen could no longer be used to prepare meals, so the whole school suffered.

Working with our local partner, Seeds of Learning (SOL), we are able to keep the costs down by having local people (and ODFL volunteers) contribute the labor.
Many schools hold classes in coffee storage barns, which means students can’t have class during the harvest season. They have no electricity and are partially open to the elements, so cannot be used when the rains come. The new classrooms address all of these flaws.
Since 2009, hundreds of ODFL student volunteers have traveled to Nicaragua during the summers to help build these classrooms. They pay their own way and work side-by-side with local people to build the classrooms. Here are a few of the projects they worked on:
In addition to the classrooms, ODFL has built latrines, a library, learning resource centers, and classrooms at Villa Japon and Los Laureles that can be opened to be used as an auditorium for school use, or as a resource for community meetings and adult education.

These are just a few of the many projects ODFL has completed in just one developing world country. Altogether, we have completed more than 120 such projects in 16 countries. Classrooms, medical clinics, latrines, science labs, libraries, water wells, and more. They dramatically improve life chances for some of the poorest people in the world.

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