



NEW SECURE HOUSING FOR FAMILIES



Colombia

**THE CARIBBEAN
AND LATIN AMERICA**

***Food For The Poor builds dignified housing
for people most in need.***



Dominican Republic



El Salvador



Guatemala



Guyana

*People who have no means to secure sturdy, safe homes
are blessed by gracious donors working through
Food For The Poor to build these homes.*



Haiti



Honduras



Jamaica

Project Goal

Improve the quality of life for disadvantaged families in the Caribbean and Latin America with the provision of sturdy living accommodations, complete with basic amenities.

Project Description

The **New Secure Housing** project is being established under Food For The Poor's (FFTP) Housing Program to provide impoverished families with safe alternatives to their precarious living conditions, which for many will be their very first dignified home.

Each house is built to accommodate a family of six. Quality control inspections ensure that a firm foundation and strong structure will withstand years of extreme weather conditions and extend the life of the house for a significant amount of time.

The house includes:

- A living area
- 2 bedrooms
- Sanitation with toilet, sink and shower/shower area
- Cooking area with sink and eco-stove (depending on location)
- Concrete water cistern/plastic storage tank (depending on location)
- Municipal electricity connectivity/solar-powered light kit (depending on location)
- Furnishings, such as a dinette set for four and two beds

Construction enhancements, combined with increased materials and labor costs in all countries, as well as fluctuating foreign currency exchange rates, have driven a necessary price increase of FFTP-built houses. However, the impact of your donation cannot be overstated. For less than \$10,000, your gift is the answer to hopeful prayers from every destitute family for a safe place to call home... and nothing short of a miracle!

Total Project Costs: \$9,800.00

Overview

Colombia

Colombia is in the northwestern corner of South America and is bordered by the Pacific Ocean and Caribbean Sea, as well as Panamá, Venezuela, Brazil, Perú and Ecuador. It is comprised of 32 departments, with the capital being Bogotá.

The population of Colombia is more than 50 million people, in part because of a massive and accelerating inflow of immigrants from Venezuela. Recent political and economic strife in Venezuela has resulted in approximately 1.7 million Venezuelans arriving in Colombia, according to the World Bank Group.

Food For The Poor (FFTP) formed a partnership with Minuto de Dios, a Colombian non-profit that has provided counseling, job training and homes to families living in poverty for more than 60 years. Together, FFTP and Minuto de Dios have helped tens of thousands of poverty-stricken families receive food, medical supplies and hygiene kits.

Through a partnership with Matthew 25 Ministries, FFTP created 155 jobs for vulnerable Colombians who made more than 333,000 face masks that were freely distributed to areas hardest hit by the coronavirus.

Dominican Republic

Over the past decade, economic growth in the Dominican Republic has substantially reduced poverty rates and supported the expansion of the middle class. However, disparities in access to economic opportunities and public services remain deep. Poverty rates are persistently high in rural areas, and women face disproportionate challenges nationwide.

In addition to this, the COVID-19 pandemic has significantly impacted the country's financial health, putting pressure on the nation's fiscal revenues and expenditure, pushing the country into its first recession in 17 years. Today, 23.4% of the population lives under the poverty line.

Since 2000, FFTP has been working in the Dominican Republic to serve poverty-stricken populations through community development, housing, food security, health clinics, water programs and animal husbandry projects as a primary focus.

El Salvador

El Salvador is one of the poorest, smallest and most densely populated nations in the Western Hemisphere. The country's large population and limited amount of land stretches its natural resources to breaking points and contributes to housing shortages. Education is also a major concern, as many children do not attend school. Only about half of the people living in rural areas can read and write.

With an estimated 800 people per square mile, El Salvador's population is up to 10 times denser than that of other Central American nations. An estimated 22.3% of the population lives below the poverty line. During the COVID-19 pandemic, El Salvador saw similar economic upheavals as the rest of the region: companies closed their doors, unemployment soared and the poverty rate increased by almost 6%.

FFTP has been actively working to help the poor people of El Salvador since 1996.

Guatemala

One of the largest countries in Central America, Guatemala is home to almost 18 million people. An estimated 47% of Guatemalans live below the poverty line. A sad result of this widespread poverty is that Guatemala has one of the highest rates of chronic child malnutrition in the world.

Less than half of all rural Guatemalans have access to running water, only a quarter have access to electricity, and only about one in 10 have access to modern sanitation facilities. Guatemala's severe food insecurity and lack of accessible, affordable medical care has led to high infant, child and maternal mortality rates. COVID-19 and two back-to-back hurricanes greatly worsened the country's situation.

FFTP builds homes, implements water projects, develops sustainable communities, carries out income-generating activities, ships hundreds of trailers of essential goods, supports children's homes and equips Guatemalans with the skills necessary to secure a prosperous future.

Guyana

A small country about the size of Idaho, Guyana is located in northern South America. Guyana is one of the poorest countries in South America with people migrating out in search for better opportunities - around 50% of nationals reside abroad.

In 2015, Guyana's economy experienced a rebirth with the discovery of a rich offshore oil field. Yet, that didn't change the status of so many of the less fortunate. One-

third of the Guyanese population lives below the poverty line and indigenous people are disproportionately affected.

Although many of the hamlets in Guyana have not seen the kind of devastation that COVID-19 brought to the more populated cities, people experienced the repercussions projected by the greater economy and were impacted by the loss of jobs.

FFTP has been working in Guyana since June of 1991, delivering food and other basic items to the country's poor. FFTP is now the leading organization providing relief and sustainable development projects throughout Guyana.

Haiti

Haiti is the poorest country in the Western Hemisphere. An estimated 60% of the population lives below the poverty line and are in a constant search for enough food to eat, clean water to drink and a safe place to live. Haiti is the only country in the Latin American and Caribbean group in the "low human development" category and 41.3% of the population is considered multi-dimensionally poor.

Haiti's economic and social development continues to be hammered by political instability, unprecedented violence, kidnapping, civil unrest, governance challenges and acute socioeconomic fragility. During 2020 and 2021, the COVID-19 pandemic, natural disasters and gang activities exacerbated the already weak economy, sending Haiti into an even darker abyss with very little prospects for the future.

FFTP began working to help the poor of Haiti in 1986. Today, our organization is one of the country's largest providers of emergency relief and sustainable development projects.

Honduras

Honduras is an impoverished country bordering Guatemala, El Salvador and Nicaragua. With around 50% of the population living in poverty, Honduras faces many serious barriers to progress.

Unemployment and a widespread lack of opportunity contribute to the challenging landscape. Malnutrition is rampant in Honduras, and infant and child mortality rates are 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. The losses to the economy caused by the two hurricanes reached \$1.9 billion and

losses were further compounded by the havoc brought about by COVID-19, devastating the tourism sector and small businesses.

FFTP began serving the poor people of Honduras in 1999.

Jamaica

The third largest island in the Caribbean, Jamaica is home to about three million people. The island's beauty continues to be marred by an alarming increase in poverty (now at 23%), violent crime and unemployment.

Throughout the island, there is a tremendous need for decent housing, care for helpless children, updated school buildings, as well as agriculture initiatives and other income-generating projects.

COVID-19 has hit the island hard with the US Travel Advisory putting Jamaica in a no-travel, cautionary advisory, further hampering the economy by restricting the island's tourism industry.

FFTP has been working in Jamaica since its founding in 1982. What began with small-scale food distributions in Kingston has now grown into a massive network of like-minded groups and individuals working together to help Jamaica's poor.

New Secure Housing for the Poor

Crushing rates of inflation and unemployment exacerbate the already depressed economies in the poorest countries in the Western Hemisphere. Over the last year and a half, as a result of the global pandemic, families who were previously living on the brink have been plunged even further into disastrous living conditions.

The underserved residents of these countries often make their homes in tents or rickety shacks made from mud, sticks, cardboard, plastic, tin and other discarded materials. Their rudimentary dwellings have dirt floors and provide little protection against the weather elements and dangerous intruders.

These families are highly susceptible to waterborne diseases because of their unhygienic practices. With no water or indoor plumbing, they relieve themselves in bushes, shared rivers or watering holes. This contaminates water sources from where these residents retrieve their household water used for washing, drinking and cooking.

An FFTP-constructed house gives families the opportunity for home ownership, helping them achieve a better quality of life and maintain unity in their communities.

In the Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Guatemala, Haiti and Honduras each dwelling sits on a concrete foundation and is built using concrete blocks and a sturdy zinc roof.

In Guyana, each house is built from wood on stilts due to the country's low-lying landscape and its risk for flooding.

In Jamaica, each dwelling sits on a cement foundation, framed with wood panels and sheltered with a zinc roof.

FFTP is committed to improving the quality of life for needy families in the Caribbean and Latin America. Please prayerfully consider partnering with us to accomplish this, giving them a reason to hope where previously they had none.

***"I lift up my eyes to the mountains — where does my help come from?
My help comes from the Lord, the Maker of heaven and earth."***

Psalm 121:1-2

Map of Countries



Colombia

Impoverished residents in Colombia live in dilapidated homes like the ones pictured below.



FFTP homes built in Colombia give families safe places to live.



Dominican Republic

Some houses in the Dominican Republic are on the verge of collapse.



These underserved Dominican families now live in safe, dignified homes because donors like you extended a hand to those in need.



El Salvador

The exterior and interior of houses in El Salvador.



Grateful Salvadoran families receive their first proper home where they can raise their growing family in safety and comfort.



Guatemala

Living conditions for the poorest of the poor in Guatemala can be completely untenable as houses are barely standing.



Families are so relieved, excited and in awe when new homes, are presented to them



Guyana

Many people in Guyana live in stilt homes as protection against flooding or to keep out vermin. These precariously built homes offer little protection against the wind and rain.



These beautiful houses were given to the Guyanese families, thanks to generous donors living out their faith to care and serve others.



Haiti

Destitute people in Haiti live in the direst circumstances with unstable homes comprised of scrap metal and plastic sheets.



Homes are designed to give Haitian families practical space where they can raise their children.



Honduras

As in many Central American countries, the poorest of the poor in Honduras live in homes that can barely be called a house. Rain, wind and mud are always invading their spaces.



FFTP homes built in Honduras give families peace of mind, knowing they have a place where all their loved ones are secure and well protected.



Jamaica

Some Jamaicans live in shelters crudely built from scrap boards and metal, which makes the inside stifling hot during many months of the year.



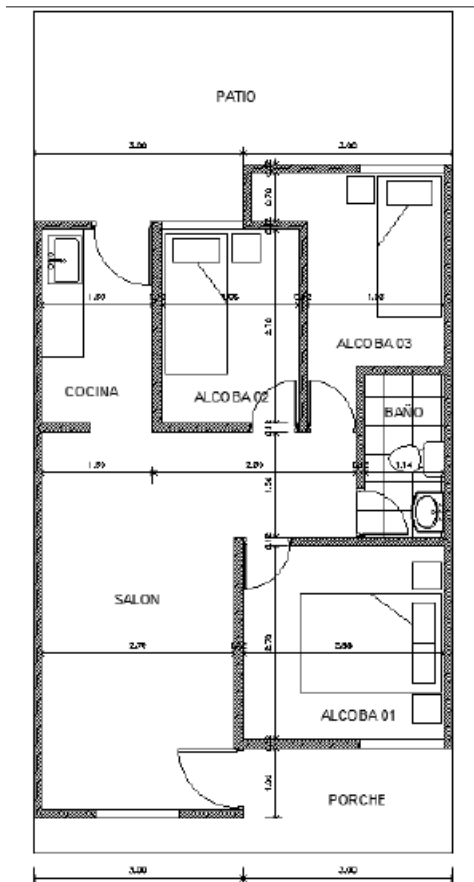
Homes constructed in Jamaica have blessed struggling families dealing with increased unemployment and underemployment.



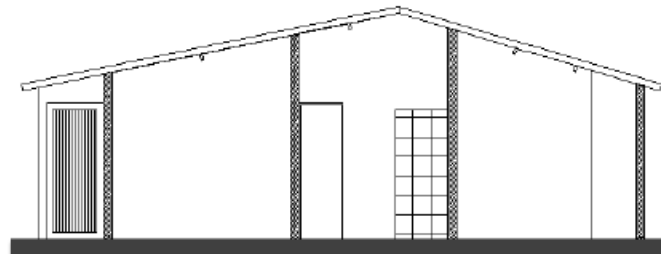
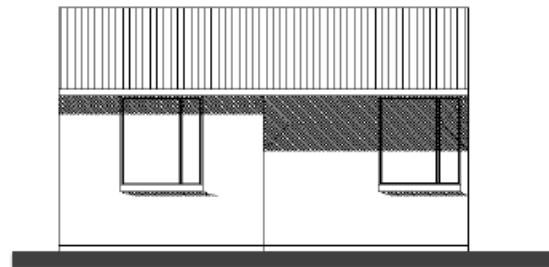
Floor Plans

Colombia

Architectural plans for homes built in Colombia.

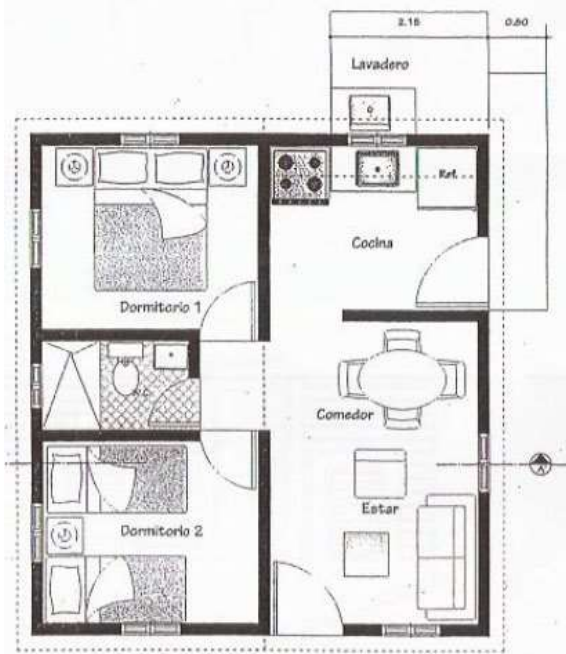


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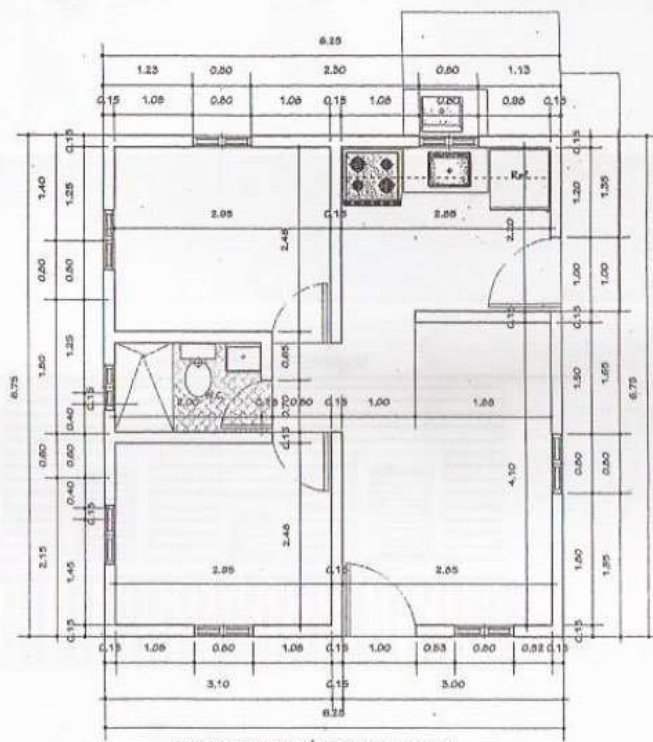


Dominican Republic

Architectural plans for homes built in Dominican Republic.



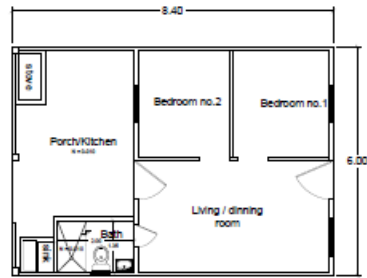
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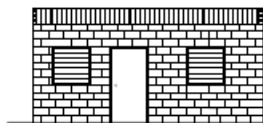
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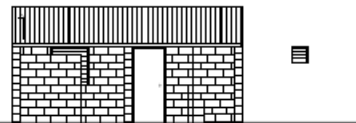


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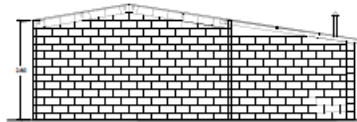
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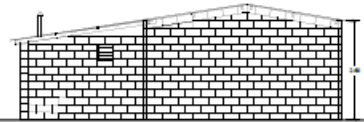
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Rear Elevation



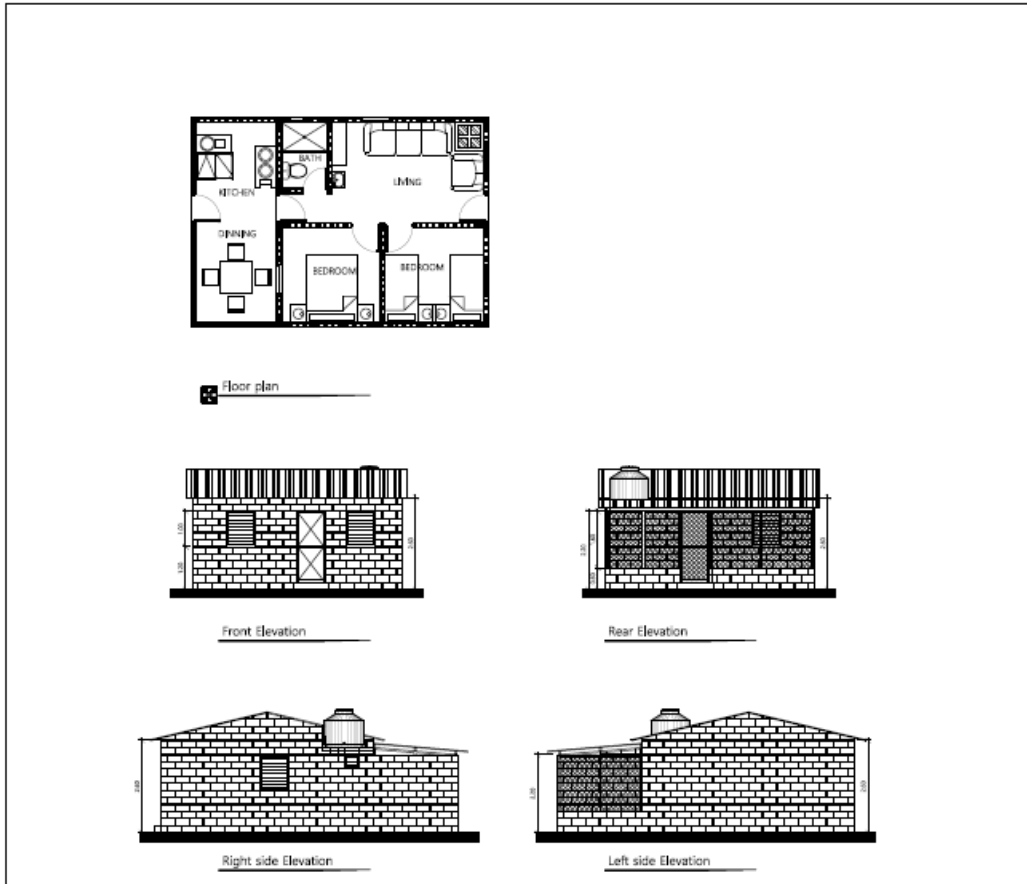
Right Side Elevation



Left Side Elevation

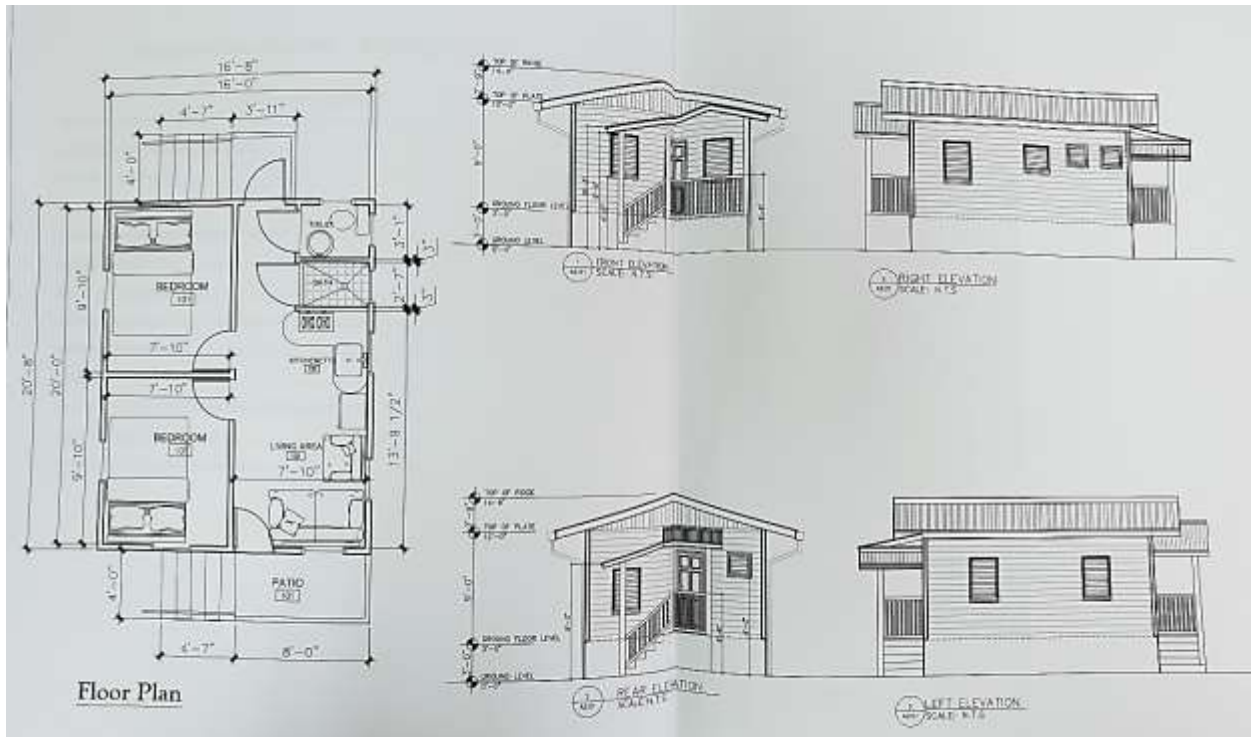
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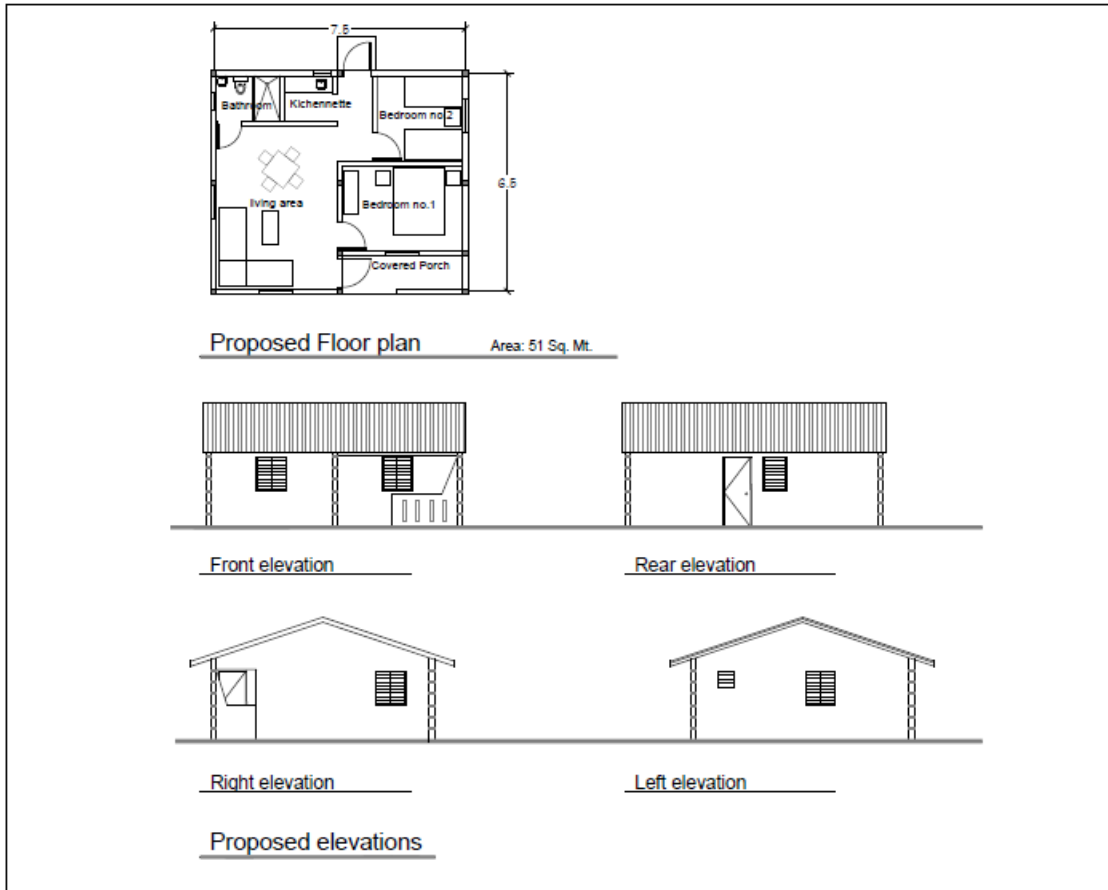
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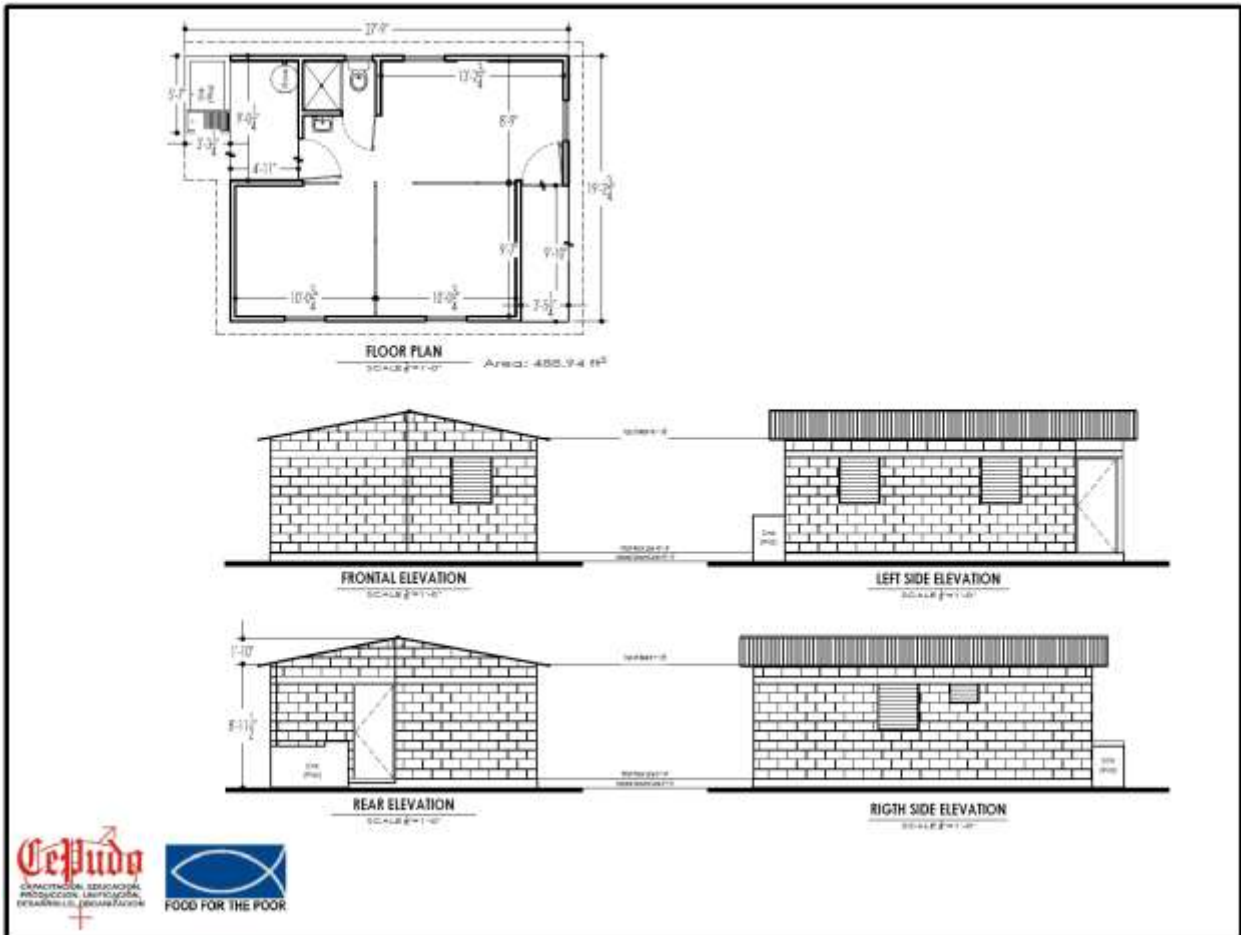
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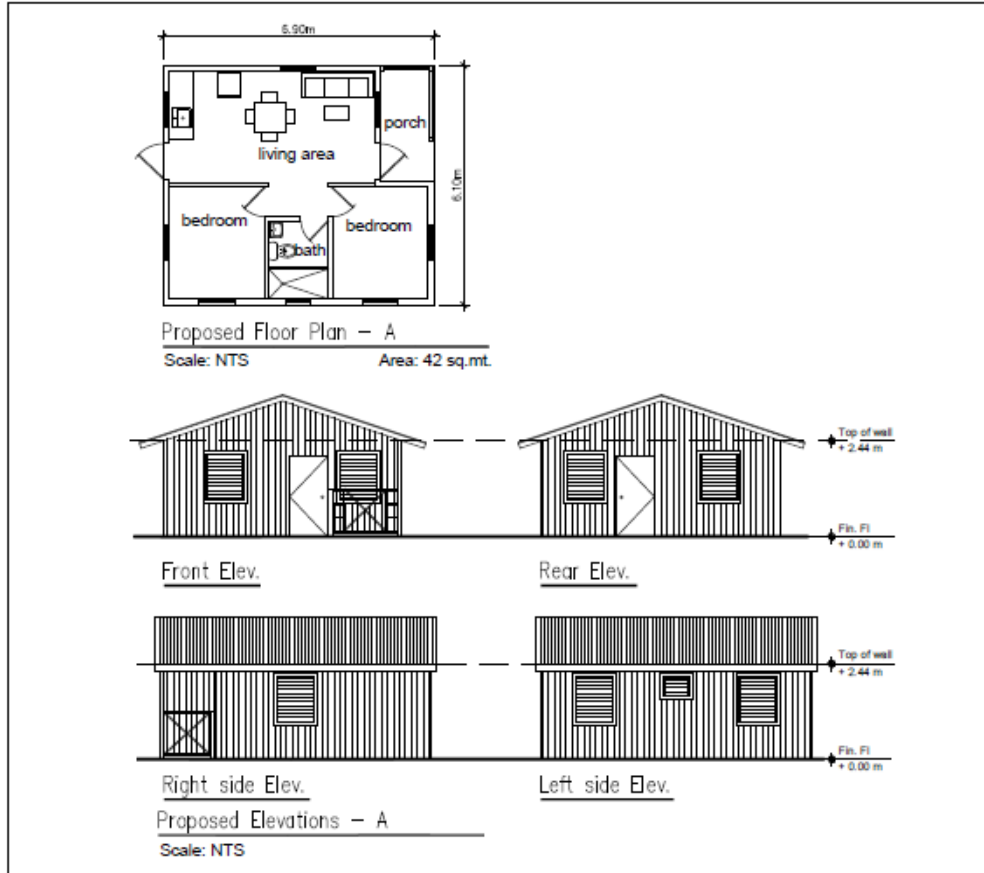
Honduras

Architectural plans for homes built in Honduras.



Jamaica

Architectural plans for homes built in Jamaica.



Budget

QTY	UNIT	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT	TOTAL
New Secure Housing				
1	Sum	<p>Construction of a two-bedroom house on a reinforced concrete foundation or lightweight wood frame construction (depending on location).</p> <p>Quality control inspections included.</p> <p>Each house is equipped with sanitation, including a toilet and sink; cooking area with sink and eco-stove (depending on location); municipality electricity connectivity or solar-powered light kit (depending on location).</p> <p>Furnishings include a dinette set for four and two beds.</p>	\$9,800.00	\$9,800.00
		Total Direct Costs		\$9,800.00

Indirect Costs	
Corporate, Network & Field Operation	
In-country project management expenses	\$0.00
Food For The Poor fulfillment, project management and monitoring expenses	\$0.00
Total Indirect Costs	\$0.00
TOTAL PROJECT COST	\$9,800.00

The funds you generously contribute to Food For The Poor will be used toward completion of your project of choice. If any of your donation exceeds budget cost, rest assured that it will be used to fund other Food For The Poor programs and organizational support designed to meet the urgent needs of the poor.

Contributions are tax-deductible under Internal Revenue Code section 501(c)(3).

About Food For The Poor

Food For The Poor, one of the largest international relief and development organizations in the nation, does much more than feed millions of hungry children and families living in poverty primarily in 17 countries of the Caribbean and Latin America. This interdenominational Christian ministry provides emergency relief assistance, clean water, medicine, educational materials, homes, support for vulnerable children, care for the aged, skills training, and microenterprise development assistance. For more information, please visit www.FoodForThePoor.org.