

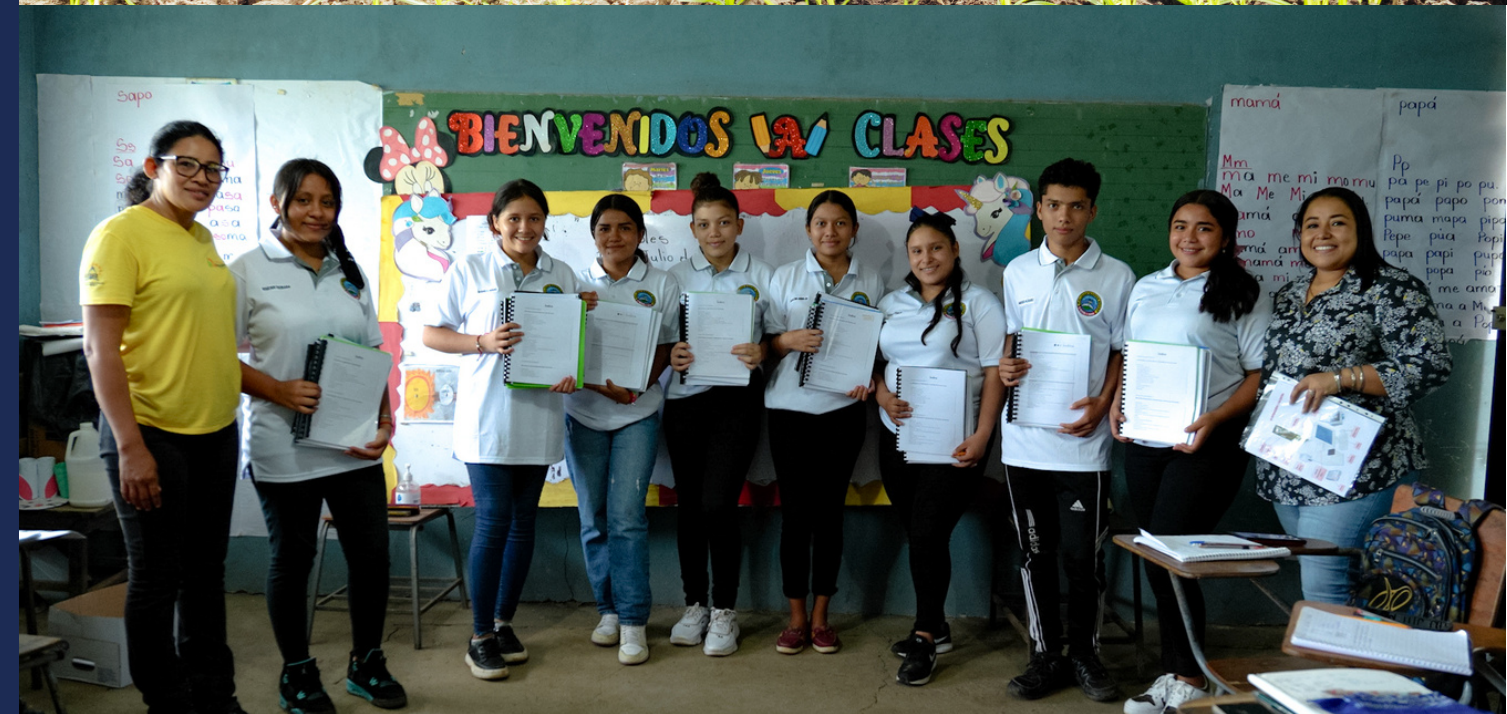


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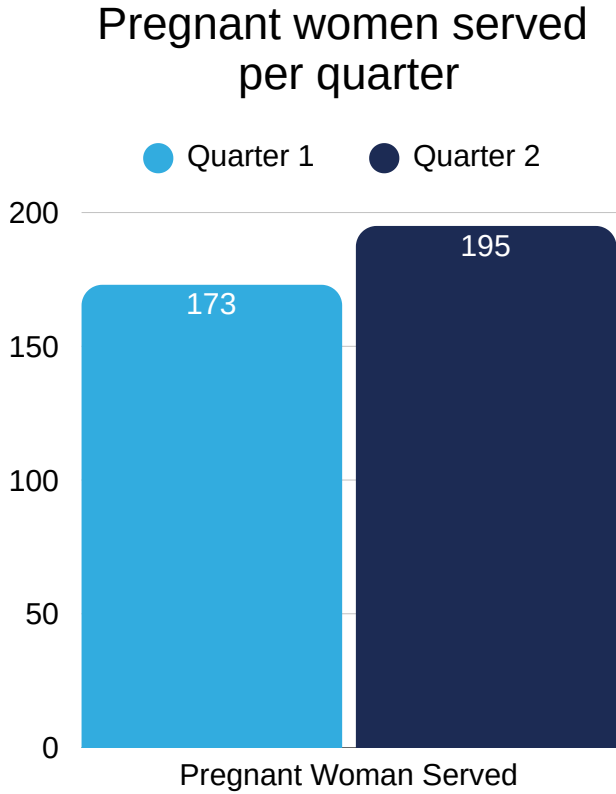
Semianual Newsletter

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First Steps

During the semester, **39 educational sessions** were held for pregnant women's clubs, providing **368 services** to **169 pregnant women**.



30 postpartum women were identified and received the safe maternity kit, which includes clothing and hygiene products for their babies.

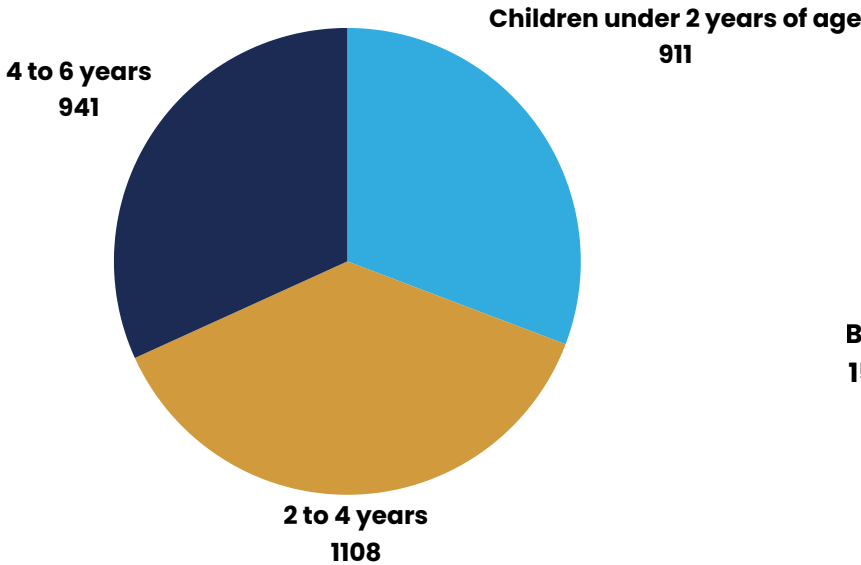
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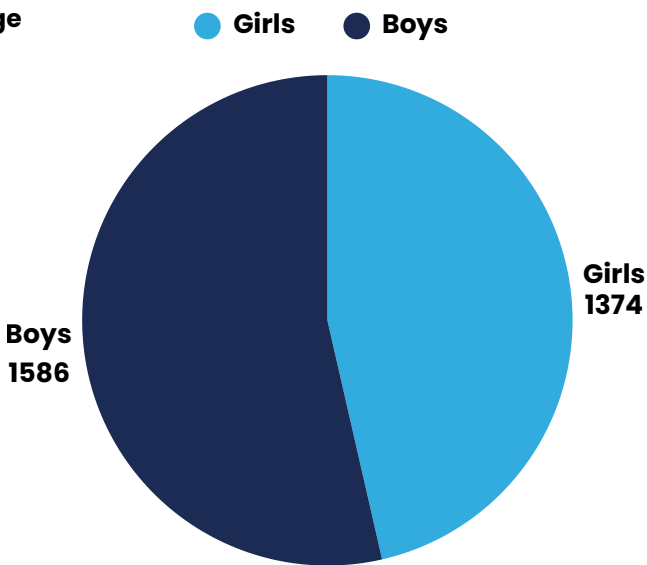
Between January and June, across the **18 communities** served, a total of **2,960 nutritional services** were provided to **767 children** under the age of six. Each child participated in an average of 3.9 sessions, distributed over **154 nutritional monitoring events**.



Nutritional Monitoring Reach by Age



Nutritional Monitoring Services by Sex

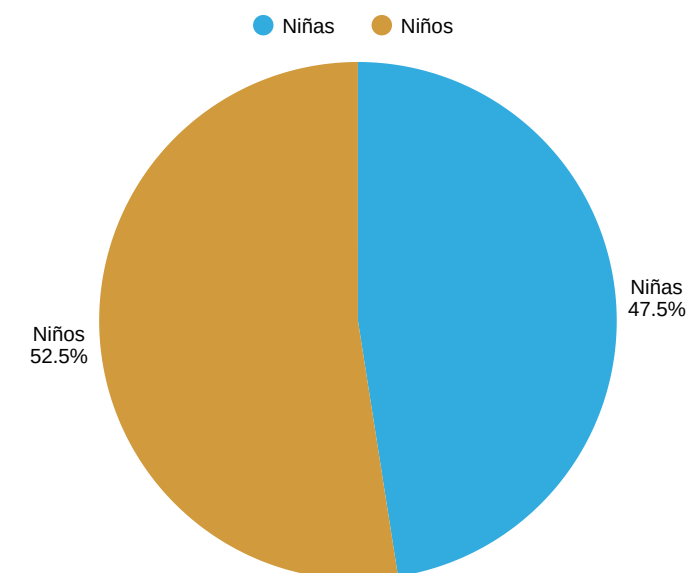


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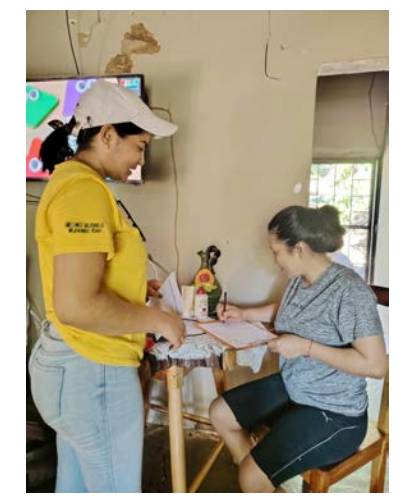
48 early stimulation sessions were held across **6** communities, providing **1,191 services** to promote the holistic development of young girls and boys.



Early Estimulation Sessions per Sex



112 underweight children received follow-up home visits. Additionally, a mapping exercise was conducted in the community of San Agustín to identify and engage pregnant women.



2 training sessions were provided as part of the capacity-building process for **6 volunteers** to implement nutritional monitoring and early stimulation in the community of Buena Fe. Additionally, ten reflection and follow-up sessions were held with eighteen volunteers across four communities.



First Steps

50 children aged 3 to 5 in three communities received **58 early stimulation sessions** (school readiness) on a weekly basis.



3 awareness sessions per community were held on school readiness and capacity building for **19 volunteers**.

The community of **Agua Agria inaugurates** a major facility with one of its main goals being to serve **early childhood development**.



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14 pre-primary centers were equipped with materials that enhance pedagogical activities, specifically aimed at developing gross motor skills, language, creativity, and logical thinking, benefiting **240 children**.



258 out of 327 **boys and girls** received anthropometric measurements across the **14 pre-primary centers**.



Healthy Families

Dengue prevention campaigns are being carried out in **18 communities** in coordination with health authorities. **10 community committees** have implemented key activities, including the elimination of breeding sites through garbage and waste collection, application of BTI in water containers, and fogging.



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Through **34 educational talks** on cervical cancer prevention, a total of **1,657 employees** were reached—926 women and 731 men.



161 Pap smears were performed for the early detection of cervical cancer.



In **4 communities**, **164 people** with functional diversity received care and counseling on physical rehabilitation to improve their quality of life, through two medical brigades organized by **Clínica Mayo and UNAH with support from HOI**



Healthy Families

74 families are strengthening the implementation of home gardens through technical support in key processes such as soil preparation, weed control, and planting of selected seeds. Around **50 families** have already achieved production during the first half of this year.



52 producers (23 women and 29 men) were trained in the production of organic inputs such as Bocashi compost and foliar biofertilizer, with the goal of applying them during the first planting cycle of staple grains on small plots.



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12 health committees received ongoing support. Five of them (2 men and 23 women) were guided through the development of their work plans in five sessions. Meanwhile, six committees made up of 30 female volunteers reflected on their actions to strengthen the roles of subcommittees. The Papalón committee was structured through a community-led initiative.



5 families built their eco-stoves and participated in a learning session on the importance of making positive changes in their daily habits, improving their living conditions, and protecting natural resources in alignment with environmental health.



Thriving in School

53 early primary classrooms (1st to 3rd grade) across **14 schools** received educational kits with didactic materials.



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90 school-aged girls and boys were supported with school supply kits to help them reintegrate into the education system, through a partnership with TESCO.



In **18 communities**, a sensitization campaign was carried out in all community spaces with the participation of members of the Parents' Association, to ensure that no child is left unenrolled.



Thriving in School

13 capacity-building sessions were held for the Parents' Association (**APF**), with the participation of **71 board members**—62 women and 9 men.



325 adolescents and youth aged 12 to 17 have access to the Joven Salud platform, which is being used as a reference tool during sexual and reproductive health talks.



A total of **143 children** serving as **peer facilitators** have been trained in self-esteem topics, with girls making up 57% of the group. Additionally, **82** have received training on healthy eating. Thanks to their commitment, 16 peer-led sessions have been conducted, **12** of which focused on strengthening self-esteem.



8 schools with educational gardens received ongoing support; five of them, equipped with mesh greenhouses, were provided with supplies and technical assistance to ensure successful production.



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Thriving in School

Out of **1,963 preschool and early primary school children** in **28 educational centers**, **1,797** received nutritional assessments during **14 sessions**. Feedback on the results was provided to parents and teachers in six schools where a higher percentage of students showed a tendency toward obesity. Resources were provided to strengthen physical education classes.



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75 students from the second and third education cycles in **14 schools** were trained as tutors and provided with resources to begin tutoring **256 students**, aimed at strengthening reading, writing, and math skills. This initiative is part of Fundación Terra's Scholarship Tutoring Program.



6 students were awarded scholarships for diversified studies through a partnership with the Luis Landa School of Agriculture.



Roof improvement and construction of **2 eco-friendly stoves** in the school kitchen to support the preparation of school meals.



With the presence of the **Ambassador of Japan**, CEB 12 de Octubre inaugurated **3 classrooms** along with other improvements.



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Education for All

29 adolescents and youth enrolled in **2 alternative education centers**, in the third cycle of basic education (7th to 9th grade).



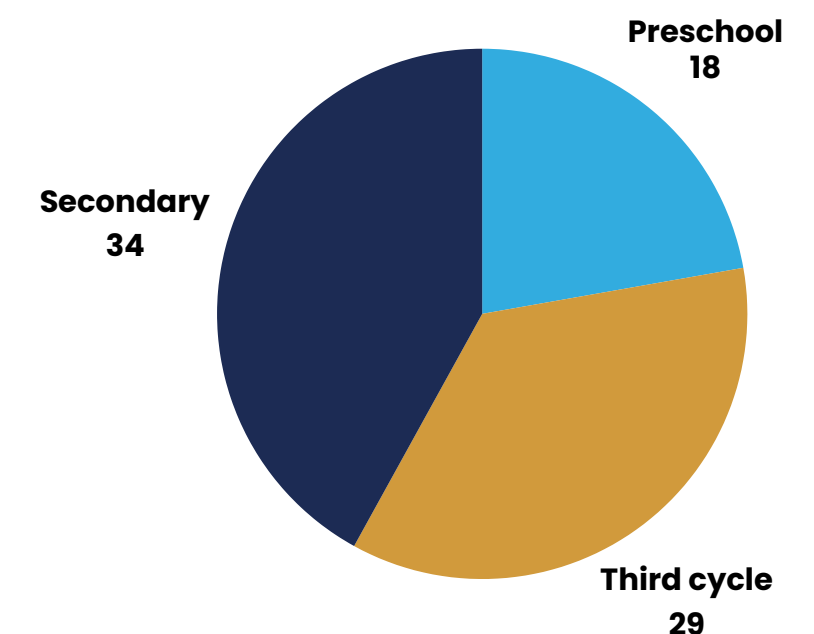
34 youth in two alternative secondary education centers are benefiting from kits for the first semester (**22 kits**) and materials to support the center's operations.



18 girls and boys enrolled in **3 community-based** pre-primary education centers.



Alternative education beneficiaries by level



Leaders in Action

Leaders from 2 communities have begun the process of empowering their Comprehensive Community Development Plans, using them as a guiding tool toward sustainable development.



In 3 communities, members of various grassroots organizations are progressing through sessions to analyze the thematic pillars of their Comprehensive Community Development Plans (PDIC), helping them identify their current and future potential.



In the community of San Jerónimo, Namasigüe, with the participation of **18 women and 2 men**, four sessions successfully integrated all neighborhoods into the community's Comprehensive Development Plan (PDIC)



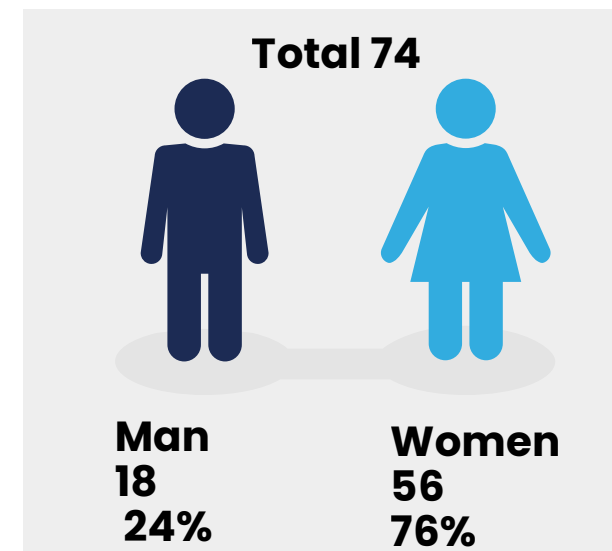
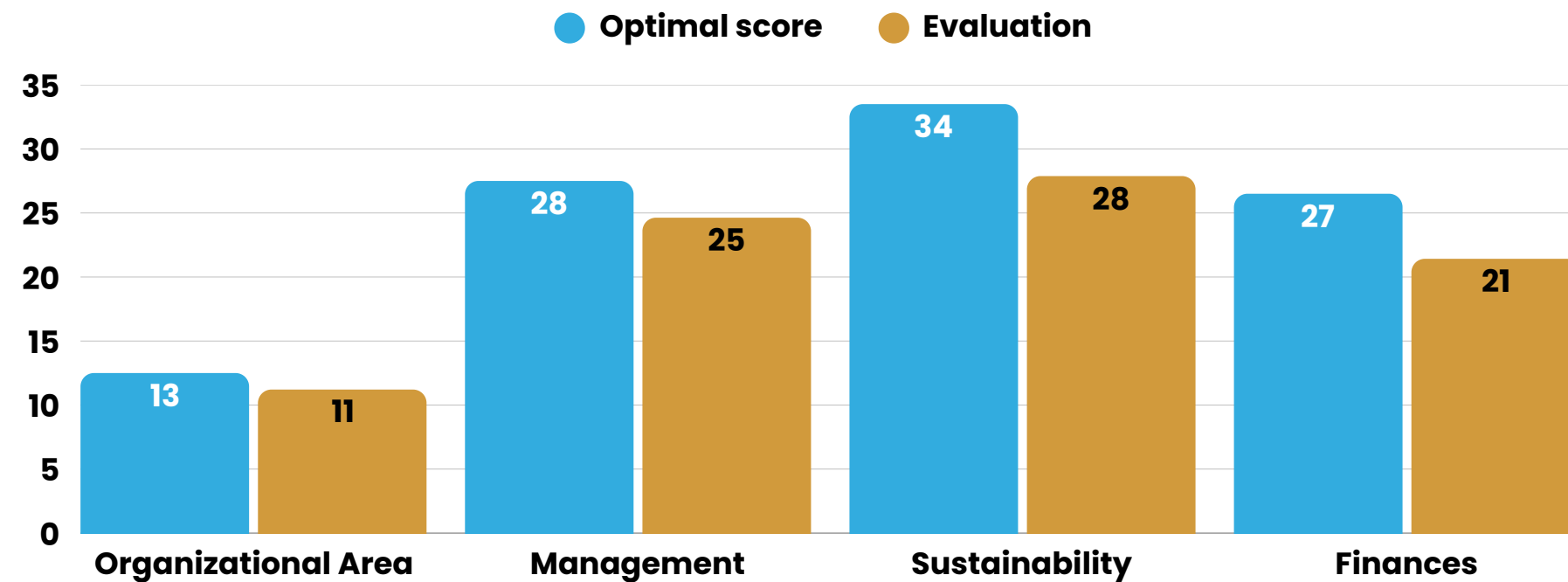
Support is being provided in **6 communities** for the implementation of their Comprehensive Community Development Plans (PDIC), through project profiling sessions.



Leaders in Action

12 Rural Savings and Credit Groups, through the participation of **56 women** and **18 male** board members, received their 2024 performance evaluation. Later, **77 members** took part in **12 sessions** where the results were shared.

Performance of Rural Savings and Credit Groups



14 Rural Savings and Credit Groups received an average of three support visits during the semester to work on strategies for strengthening their organizational structure and expanding investment areas to boost the local economy.



An exchange of experiences was held between **10** visiting Rural Savings and Credit Groups and **2 host groups** to share best practices, lessons learned, and insights that promote the economic and social growth of their communities.



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Leaders in Action

6 community nurseries were established under the leadership of six water boards, successfully engaging **104 participants**, including women, men, and children.



5 of the nurseries produced **1,350 native fruit trees**, which were planted by families in the communities of Laurelada and Agua Agria #2 in El Corpus, San Agustín in Namasigüe, and Tamarindo in Apacilagua.



Support was provided to the community of Altos de Estiquirín to continue implementing the **management plan for the recharge zone** of the water source.



Leaders in Action

A total of **109 leaders**, including **24 teachers**, are progressing through three of five workshops focused on developing their personal well-being plans. The initiative began under the theme 'Renew Yourself by Healing Body, Mind, and Spirit,' and promotes knowledge and practice of contemplative techniques.



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15 women serving on the leadership boards of Rural Savings and Credit Groups in the communities of Altos de Estiquirín and Tamarindo participated in the 'Weaving Hope' workshop, which focused on personal development. The workshop was facilitated by Fundación Quintanilla and also included technical staff from Fundación Agrolíbano.

Institutional Development

Once again, **FAINC Bridges of Hope** proudly participated in the annual **We Love Gala**, hosted by the **We Love Foundation**—an iconic event that brings together dedicated partners committed to development. This celebration not only showcases the power of collaboration, but also helps fund the First Steps program, a transformative initiative that changes lives from **early childhood in southern Honduras**.



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Jenny Molina, President of FAINC Bridges of Hope, officially launched the **“Spark of Light”** campaign—an inspiring initiative that invites people to “ignite their inner light to illuminate the world around them.” The campaign aims to continue supporting the most vulnerable families in southern Honduras through the impactful programs led by Fundación Agrolíbano.



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