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# “GUARDIAN WARRIOR” EXCHANGE PROGRAM

## BARRIO HOME CONSTRUCTION

What can be more important to a family than a home? Yet due to a severe lack of employment and housing opportunities in Agua Prieta, many families are forced to live in hovels constructed of wooden shipping pallets and cardboard. Often several generations reside together in one-room, dirt-floor shacks with no electricity or running water. This refugee situation is untenable as families are denied access to the most basic needs of the human condition. The substandard housing breeds shantytowns and an overwhelming sense of desperation and hopelessness. Drugs and crime flourish. No parents should have to raise their children like this.

Our volunteer Barrio Home Construction Program was established to address this inadequate housing dilemma. In this program our volunteers work with the family members to build a simple shelter made of brick walls, concrete floors and metal roofs. Basic to us, but to the recipient families this modest shelter is a dream come true.

Get ready for a real “manual labor” experience as you pound nails, mix concrete, lay brick and build a family’s future with your own two hands. And don’t worry if you have no construction experience. We have local on-site experts to guide you in each of these activities. Whether you construct part of a home or all of it, your work and compassion will change the direction of a family’s life forever. What a powerful legacy! The Rancho Feliz Barrio Home Construction Program is one of our most meaningful and popular volunteer programs.





# THE COST TO BUILD A BARRIO HOME

(CURRENCY IN U.S. DOLLARS.)

## PHASE I ..... \$1,950

<b>Concrete Floor</b>	<b>\$ 490</b>
20 bags of cement	\$ 295
7 cubic meters gravel	\$ 110
*labor	\$ 85

<b>House Walls</b>	<b>\$ 1,460</b>
2,500 blocks	\$ 920
5 cubic meters sand	\$ 80
20 bags of mortar	\$ 270
*labor	\$ 190

## PHASE 2 ..... \$1,520

<b>Band Beam</b>	<b>\$ 380</b>
6 pieces re-bar	\$ 95
2 cubic meters gravel	\$ 32
8 bags of cement	\$ 127
*labor	\$ 127

<b>Roof</b>	<b>\$ 1,140</b>
lumber & nails	\$ 500
metal panels	\$ 640

## PHASE 3 ..... \$1,630

<b>Windows</b>	<b>\$ 250</b>
4 windows	\$ 250

<b>Door</b>	<b>\$ 250</b>
door & frame	\$ 250

<b>Plumbing</b>	<b>\$ 500</b>
toilet	\$ 180
sink	\$ 140
shower fixtures	\$ 180

<b>Furnishings</b>	<b>\$ 630</b>
2 beds	\$ 420
2 dressers	\$ 210

## PHASE 4 ..... \$1,600

<b>Appliances</b>	<b>\$ 1,100</b>
stove/oven	\$ 300
refrigerator	\$ 500
hot water heater	\$ 300

<b>Project Management</b>	<b>\$ 500</b>
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**TOTAL COST .. \$ 6,700**



*\*Rancho Feliz hires local laborers to work with and teach the volunteers how to mix cement, pour foundations, lay block, build roofs, set windows and doors, etc. This is of great benefit to the volunteers and provides much needed jobs to the local economy.*