

PROJECT AYUDA OVERVIEW | FALL 2017

OUR MISSION

Operation Nehemiah desires to partner with "in need" non-profit organizations and churches on building and rebuilding projects that will help transform the lives of the people they serve as we all work together in Jesus' name.

Operation Nehemiah is a registered 501(c)3 non-profit corporation relying on volunteers to organize and oversee projects and complete the rebuilding work.



Dani and Gera Ayuda, ages 24 and 25
Both suffer from Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy.
As of 2012, both are paralyzed from the neck down.

The Back Story

Operation Nehemiah was contacted in August 2017 by a south suburban non-profit organization and asked to assist in renovating a home in Harvey for the Ayuda family. ON toured the home, talked to the homeowner, Ana Ayuda, and determined that the project does fit into our scope and purpose. However, we will need help ('ayuda' in Spanish) to complete the project

\$5300

needed in CASH or IN KIND DONATIONS

The Ayuda Family Story

Dani and Gera Ayuda were born in La Piedad Michoacan, Mexico. They were completely healthy, normal little boys. However, at the age of 4, mom Ana noticed that they were having difficulty walking and seemed to be falling a lot. She sought medical attention and doctors in Mexico City, 5 hours away.

Doctors tried numerous tests and biopsies (without anesthesia) with no success in identifying the problem. After 3 frustrating years and the boys' health worsening, Ana and her husband moved the family to the US where doctors diagnosed both boys with Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy, a genetic disease with no cure.

Life Gets Harder

After years of Ana and her children suffering from physical and mental abuse at the hands of her husband, Ana kicked him out and became a single parent to their 6 living children (2 others died at young ages).

Then in 2012, both Dani and Gera became paralyzed from the neck down as a result of a required surgery. Since then Ana has become their full-time nurse and caretaker, assisting with all of their daily living needs (eating, dressing, toileting, bathing, etc.)

MATERIALS NEEDED

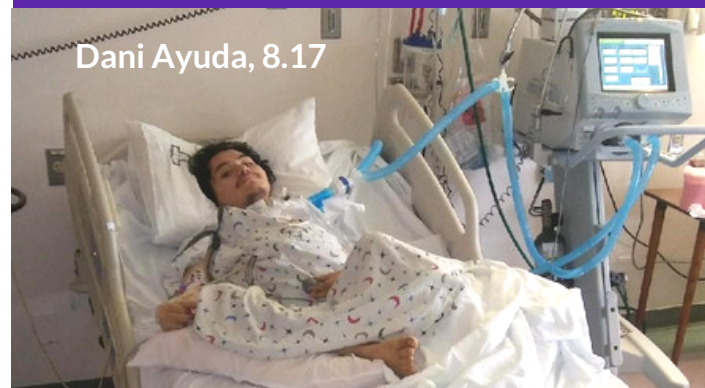
- Approx. 190 feet of gutters/downspouts
- Air conditioner (condenser, coil, line set, misc. parts)
- 8 vinyl replacement windows
- 2 steel security doors (metal door and frame)
- Approx. 1000 /sf blown in insulation.

OUR REQUEST TO YOU

You are receiving this information because Operation Nehemiah is asking you to consider donating to Project Ayuda so that we can help the family finish the life safety repairs needed to make the home livable. If you are in a position to help financially or with in kind donations of materials or labor, please contact us today. Thank you in advance for your donation.

TO DONATE, CONTACT

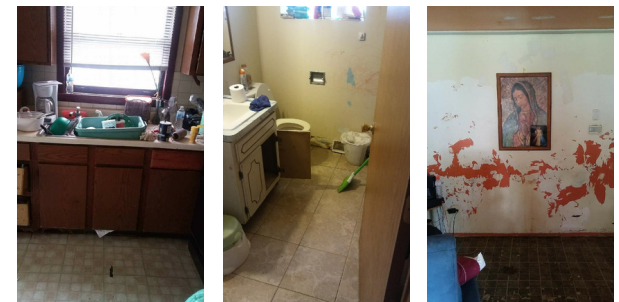
Joe Bianchi, ON Board Member
708.906.8281
joe@inlandcapital.com



Unable to Keep Up

After 20 years of non-stop doctor appointments, surgeries and treatments, Ana has had many financial setbacks and has not been able to keep up their home. The most urgent life safety issues include:

- non-draining/unusable kitchen sink
- a shattered toilet leading to sewage and water continually running through the home
- a rat infestation in the walls, attic and crawl space



Current Challenges

- Dani suffers from severe depression and is suicidal and schizophrenic.
- Dani is currently in a nursing home because he is on a ventilator and requires a climate controlled environment. He cannot return home until repairs are made.
- Ana's father and brother came from Mexico this summer to help with the repairs but could not complete them due to a lack of funds and materials.