

## *Filters for Families*

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### Urgent Disaster Funding for Puerto Rico

The earthquakes in Puerto Rico have left 300,000 people without drinking water and the entire island without electricity. As of Tuesday morning, there are 800 people in the southern area living in shelters. The first 2 weeks of a disaster are the most vulnerable for communities since basic supplies like water and food are difficult to locate. Filters for Families (FFF) worked in Nepal in the 2015 earthquake disaster to provide 5,000 filters (30 liters/hour) and hundreds of 150, 250 and 500 liter water drums (flow rate 120 liters/hour) with Sawyer filters inserted in the top. After Hurricane Maria, FFF provided a 150 gallon tank and 67 individual filters to the Fisher community in Guayanilla, Ponce and some local mountain areas. This is the same area affected by the recent earthquakes in Puerto Rico. A 2 -bucket Sawyer system filter is \$45 and the large 150 gallon community filter is \$300 (gravity flow no electricity is needed). Linda will be traveling without FEMA support, so help with her expenses is also appreciated.



1/Above: Inner bucket  
w/3 unit

2/Above: placing drum on  
pallets & installing 2 taps

3/Home in Quanica  
Earthquake damage

4/church in Guayanilla  
Earthquake damage

Albert and Antoni built the large 150 gallon tank for the Fisher community in Guayanilla in 2017 after Hurricane Maria. Linda spent 2 months working with FEMA in the same area inspecting houses and distributing filters in her off time.

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With much gratitude,  
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