



THE ROSA VERA FUND

DECEMBER 2005 DONOR UPDATE

Beneficiary: The Case of Briana

Briana is a 3 year 6 month old girl with moderate grade protein malnutrition, known as Kwarshiorkor's disease in medical lingo. Primary consequences of untreated protein malnutrition include stunted growth, susceptibility to illness, and probable compromise to intellectual development.

Intervention

Briana's condition was identified by the community health worker Guadalia Alanes while making home visits (see right).

The RVF is currently providing:

- Protein and vitamin supplementation
- Weekly home visits for weight checks
- Nutritional information & training for Briana's mother

RVF Contribution: \$5/ month as needed

Family Contribution: \$2/ month

Community Health Worker Profile: Guadalia Alanes Cuaquira



Guadalia, seen above offering basic nutrition information, is a 27 year old woman currently in her third year of nursing school. She will be graduating in June, 2009, with the title of Registered Nurse. In her own words, her desire is to "continue her work at a higher level within her community, helping those who need it most". She will likely continue to work for Rural Andean Health Committee, who has also assisted in her tuition.

Invention

The RVF pays about a third of Guadalia's \$15 weekly stipend.

RVF Contribution: \$5/ week = \$250/ year

Recipient Contribution: 30-35 hours work per week

RVF DONOR/CONTRIBUTION UPDATE: DECEMBER '05

- # of individuals/families contributing: 43
- Funds raised in RVF Year 1 thus far: \$10,594

