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What do I get for becoming a member of the Link?

As a member of the Link you will receive a regular quarterly newsletter giving you news of Link activity in general and reports from our representative in Nicaragua about progress with the scholarship project as well as news from the schools. The newsletter will also include news about events and developments in El Viejo

You will also receive information about activities and events organised by the Link in Norwich that you can take part in such as the annual Sponsored Bike Ride and the pub quiz.

You can also stand for election as an officer of the link or as a member of its executive committee.

Lastly, you will know that you are making a difference to the lives and futures of children in a deprived and largely forgotten part of our world.



Visit the Link website at:
www.norwichelviejo.org.uk



A typical rural house in El Viejo

Norfolk & Norwich El Viejo Friendship Link

It costs
£36 to keep
this child in
school for
a year

By giving just £3
a month YOU can
keep her there!

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BECOME A MEMBER

Become a Link Supporter and help us to keep 240 children in school.

Just £3.00 a month will keep a child in education for a year and provide a school uniform, (shirt/blouse, trousers/skirt, socks and shoes) a schoolbag with exercise books, pens and pencils and also provides \$10 per child to their school to buy education material.

The Link works with eight schools in poor areas of our twin city of El Viejo in Nicaragua. We fund 240 scholarships each year to provide primary education to children from poor families who would not be able to go to school without our help. Over 700 children have received six years of education under our scheme but we need your help to keep going. Become a supporter and keep a child in school.

The Annual Membership fee is £12.00 individual, £15.00 family membership, £20 for organisations and £6.00 unwaged. However, a regular monthly amount of £3.00 is suggested which provides a year's education for a child.



Love affection and Friendship

Grateful to the generous people
Who carry good intentions in their souls
The children of our schools
Are reaching their goals

To our good friends we offer
Love affection and friendship
We say this most sincerely
My Lord and my school my two witnesses

We'll fulfil our responsibility
To learn and improve every day
And secure better living conditions
Full of great value and dignity

Poem dedicated to the generous people of Norwich Link England
Susana Magdalena Selva Quiroz
Grade 4 Evermilda Somarriba School
Community of Toro Blanco, El Viejo.

The Norwich Settlement

In 1998 Hurricane Mitch, one of the strongest hurricanes ever experienced, devastated the area along the borders between Honduras, El Salvador and Nicaragua. Many



Houses at the settlement and one of the residents

people were killed and there was widespread destruction of homes. Just a few miles from El Viejo a crater lake in the extinct volcano of Las Casitas burst and the resulting deluge killed many people in the village of Poselttega. In El Viejo 42 families who lived near the river lost everything when their homes were washed away.

The Link organised a relief fund and raised over US\$20,000 and, in partnership with the local Council in El Viejo, co-funded the replacement of their homes on a new site outside the city. The families, in gratitude for the help from the people of Norwich decided to name their new settlement 'Norwich' in recognition of the support they received. The settlement also includes a small school.

In 2007, as the result of overcrowding at the school at the settlement, the Link funded the construction of a new classroom at the school.



The opening of the new classroom at the Norwich School in 2007

HMRC Registered Charity No. XT32407

Affiliation and Supporter Standing Order Form

(Note: minimum personal affiliation fee is £12.00 p.a.)

To the Manager: (Your bank/building society's name and address)

Account Name.....

Bank sort code

Account Number.....

Please pay The Norfolk and Norwich—El Viejo Friendship Link

the sum of £3 £5 £10 £15 £ Other

(tick appropriate box) (insert amount)

every month/quarter/year* starting on

and credit A/C of the Norfolk and Norwich — El Viejo Friendship Link, Co-operative Bank, 69 London Street, Norwich, NR2 1HT.

Sort Code 08-92-99 Account No. 65425620 (*delete as appropriate)

Signed.....Date

Gift Aid - By agreeing to 'Gift Aid' your contribution, the Link can reclaim the amount of income tax paid on it.

I confirm that I am a UK Income Tax Payer and expect to pay tax at least equal to my contribution.

Please gift-aid my contribution YES NO

(Please tick appropriate box)

Your contact details:

Name

Address.....

Postcode.....Telephone.....

Email.....