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Award Winning Projects - 1st Progress Report

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Winner: Jane Crouch (Intrepid Travel, Australia)

Project Title: Water Filters in Chichubamba Community - Peru

Project Summary: Improving the health of the people of Chichubamba South by giving them access to clean drinking water, by providing ceramic water filters and education in their use and maintenance

Also See: [Original Project Proposal Details, Implementation & Discussion](#)

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Chichubamba Water Filters Project in Peru - Progress Report

August 1

We participated in a town meeting in Chichubamba where we discussed the filters in more detail with the majority of the members of the community.

We explained and discussed:

- 1) the donation of funds by Intrepid Andes for water filter installation in their homes,
- 2) the process of production,
- 3) the importance of the filters' proper use to reduce the incidence of parasites in community members, and
- 4) the process for installation and training in the community of Chichubamba.

August 3

In the last week, in conjunction with Potters for Peace, the production of the 80 ceramic water filters for the community of Chichubamba South was completed and we purchased the water containers for the preparation of the installation in the community.

August 13

Meeting with first group of 15 recipients - members of Agrotourism Chichubamba, who we have a strong relationship with. Each household were given a complete water filter. On receipt, of the water filter each household has given Pro Peru a faecal sample which they will test to obtain a base line of comparison before and after filter use.

The Water Committee of Chichubamba will design the criteria to choose the future groups for water filter installation in the community and ProPeru Service Corp will provide the future trainings with the goal to work with one group every two weeks.

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Photographs of the Town Meeting:



Picture 1: Mercedes Durand, Water Filter Coordinator at ProPeru explaining how the filter works



Picture 2: Town Members from Chichubamba listening to the presentation on water filters.



Picture 3: Lisbeth Nina, Health Coordinator at ProPeru, explaining the water filter's importance for improving one's health.
