

Demanding Rights, Resources and Results for Women Worldwide

"Indigenous Women on the Air: Community Radio to End Violence"

MADRE is pleased to submit this final report to the Forix Foundation on your grant of \$9,450 in support of MADRE and Wangki Tangni's collaborative programming to end violence against Miskito women and girls in Nicaragua.

Thank you for your generosity and for trusting the work MADRE and our grassroots partners do in support of women's rights and sustainable development.

December 2015 Final Narrative Report

Since 1983, MADRE has been working hand-in-hand with Wangki Tangni, an Indigenous women's organization based in Waspam, on the North Atlantic Coast of Nicaragua. Wangki Tangni's mission is to realize the health, economic and social development of Indigenous Miskito communities while taking into consideration the promotion and protection of their traditional culture. Wangki Tangni reaches and aids 115 Miskito communities by offering programs, building local infrastructure and institutions, and providing essential coordination between numerous Indigenous and non-Indigenous organizations as well as local and regional authorities.

One component of MADRE's latest programming with Wangki Tangni is a community radio that delivers information about women's rights and how women and girls survivors of violence can access legal and medical services, as well as cover other topics such as children's rights, the justice system, gender relations, and the role of masculinity and engaging men and boys to end violence against women. Thanks to the generous support of the Forix Foundation, Wangki Tangni was able to purchase a one year annual broadcast license for their radio station and distribute solar powered radios that enable Miskito women to tune into the weekly community radio broadcasts.





Solar powered radios ready for distribution! Thanks to the support of the Forix Foundation, these radios will allow Miskito women in remote communities in Waspam, Nicaragua to listen to radio programming that informs them of their rights.

In addition, MADRE and Wangki Tangni were able to use the funding from Forix Foundation to organize communications trainings for Wangki Tangni women's rights promoters to ensure they have the operational skills they need to run a radio station, and provide the digital voice recorders needed to conduct interviews with community members. Six women's rights promoters attended the communications training in November 2015, where they learned best practices for conducting interviews (i.e. how to ask sensitive questions pertaining to violence against women) and for using the digital voice recorders (i.e. test prior to recording, playback).



A training on human rights documentation using the new digital voice recorders. Excerpts of the recorded training will be used in future radio programming broadcasts.



Women's rights promoters practicing with their digital voice recorders during a communications training on best practices for conducting interviews and using the recorders.



Using skills acquired during the communications training to conduct interviews during the VIII Annual Women's Forum, to be aired during future radio programming broadcasts.

The impact of this grant goes beyond establishing a community radio station and providing the tools necessary for the implementation of violence against women radio programming. With this radio program MADRE and Wangki Tangni aim to reduce violence against women in the 115 Miskito communities by building the capacities of local stakeholders at the community, territorial, municipal and regional levels through gender and culturally relevant approaches to eradicating violence against women and social stigma. The weekly radio sessions and follow-up group discussions will also empower Miskito women and girls with an increased understanding of women's rights and how to use the customary and statutory legal systems to uphold their rights. Survivors of violence will be supported medically, psychologically, socially and legally throughout the process of reporting their cases, claiming their rights and accessing justice. And, so much more.

Final Financial Report

One Year Budget – FY 2015	Number of units	Pri	ice per unit	T	otal price	Amount Requested	Amount Spent
Community radio station							
Solar-powered radios (Ambient Weather WR-099)	200	\$	25.00	\$	5,000.00	\$5,000	\$5,891.68**
Brand Transmitter FM RVR Solid 2-Kilos, Estado Digital	1	\$	14,500.00	\$	14,500.00		
Antenna Sytem Broadband \$ 600 C / UPOR	4	\$	600.00	\$	2,400.00		
Distributor for 2 Kilos	1	\$	600.00	\$	600.00		
Cable Jumpers Helliax of Media, Mas Eight Co. Half Connectors	4	\$	100.00	\$	400.00		
50 ft. Helliax 7/8 Cable with its two ends LES	1	\$	1,500.00	\$	1,500.00		
12 channel Mixer (Pevey 12)	1	\$	600.00	\$	600.00		
Microphones Brand Shuere	2	\$	150.00	\$	300.00		
Pedestales for microphones	2	\$	50.00	\$	100.00		
Audio Connectors	5	\$	20.00	\$	100.00		
Labor costs for installing the whole system	1	\$	1,200.00	\$	1,200.00		
Additional cost for installing 120 FT. radio tower	1	\$	1,200.00	\$	1,200.00		
CDs to record the programs	100	\$	2.00	\$	200.00		
Annual broadcast license fee	1	\$	1,000.00	\$	1,000.00	\$1,000	\$1,000
Subtotal for community radio station				\$	29,100.00		
Communication trainings							
Preparation and printing of communication training manuals	15	\$	130.00	\$	1,950.00	\$1,950.00	\$1,950
Voice recorders to conduct communication trainings	15	\$	100.00	\$	1,500.00	\$1,500	\$608.32*
Round-trip NYC-Waspam for MADRE Trainer	1	\$	1,500.00	\$	1,500.00		
Subtotal communication trainings				\$	4,950.00		
Technical assistance and coordination							
Wangki Tangni local coordinator monthly stipend	12	\$	200.00	\$	2,400.00		
MADRE Program Coordinator 3% annual salary for one year	1	\$	1,500.00	\$	1,500.00		
MADRE Program Director 1 % annual salary for one year	1	\$	900.00	\$	900.00		
Subtotal technical assistance and coordination				\$	4,800.00		
TOTAL				\$	38,850.00	\$9,450	\$9,450

^{*}Due to customs law, we were only able to bring into Nicaragua 10 voice recorders, as opposed to 15, and the recorders were \$58.99/recorder, as opposed to \$100. That said, we purchased 10 voice recorders at \$58.99 for a total, with shipping and handling, of \$608.32.

All receipts are included as attachments; please do not hesitate to contact Johna Hoey directly at jhoey@madre.org with any additional questions.

MADRE is grateful for the continued support of the Forix Foundation and we look forward to future collaboration in demanding rights, resources and results for women worldwide!

^{**}The Ambient Weather WR-099 solar powered radios were \$30.99/unit as opposed to \$25/unit, so with the remaining \$891.68 under the voice recorder line item we were able to cover the cost of 190 radios under this grant. The remaining 10 radios of the 200 radios ordered were covered thanks to a grant from LUSH Charity Pot.