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Drought Response Projects in Cuba

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Title of Project	Facing drought caused by El Niño in Santiago de Cuba
Area of influence	Santiago de Cuba- Palma Soriano
Start / end of the project	01/02/2016 - 31/01/2017
Project amount	631.656 Euros
ECHO contribution	600.000 Euros
Direct Beneficiaries	Individuals: 12.936 Organizations: 4
Local Implementation partners	National: National Institute of hydraulic resources (INRH) Local: Palma Soriano government
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Main project results Brief summary	The project will focus on the following areas: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ensuring access to safe water with the creation and/or rehabilitation of community water storage points, distribution of equipment for water storage and transportation. • Improve community knowledge about hygiene, diarrheal diseases and good water management with gender approach. • Strengthening the capacity of local actors in drought vulnerability analysis and in the comprehensive response to the effects of drought, with transfer of tools, technologies and appropriate practices for vulnerability analysis and rational use of water as adaptation measures.
Main products of the project	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Basic needs of the population covered by access to safe water for consumption: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) create or strengthen community water storages tanks of 5000 liters. These points are those used by authorities from time to time to deposit water which is distributed via tankers in communities. Through this measure it is looking to increase the storage capacity of community points and meet the minimum conditions to ensure that the water is not contaminated. (2) improving the distribution capacity of institutions through the rehabilitation of a tanker truck with more 16000L capacity, making it possible to supply water in the community tanks every day and to reach the amount of 15 liters of water per day and per person. (3) strengthen the capacities of families to transport and storage the water extracted from the community points. It is expected to deliver a 250 liter tank by family and also 10-liter tanks for transportation. Thus it consider that the extracted water will be transported and stored under the same conditions as when water arrives at the community point. (4) provide each family with a traditional mud filter (produced locally) to purify water in each beneficiary home, • Increased knowledge and skills of women and men, children, elderly, hygiene and proper water management. OXFAM decided to carry out awareness campaigns on promoting health in communities and schools with a focus on gender equality. This awareness campaign would be done via different media and the delivery of training materials to the population with the dissemination of good practices and



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	especial contributions of women. <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Strengthening the capacity of institutions in vulnerability analysis and planning comprehensive responses to the effects of drought. It is expected to improve the information and dissemination of best practices and strategies to increase the capacity of local actors and the producers of the agricultural sector (women and men) in order to collect evidence on the impact of this risk on local food security and livelihoods of the population at risk.