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## The Family Rios Pujlla

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In the family of Mario Rios Pfuro und Gregoria Pujlla Sullcapuma live Mario's mother and the children Ronald (15 years), Jaime (13 years), Griselda (10 years), Richart (8 years) and Belisario (4 years). During the week Ronald and Jaime live in the village Patacancha where they attend the Secundaria.

Currently Mario works in agriculture and the family income is by far too low to satisfy all of the needs. Fortunately they have sufficient potatoes, chunos and morayas (dried and frozen potatoes) to trade with and to get corn, beans, wheat and tarwi. The potato farming and treatment are completely ecological as they neither use chemical fertilizers nor anything else for protection which is very important for them and they are very proud of it.

Mario is a very open and happy person. He really wants that his family is one of the first with whom we are working as he has the strong desire to improve their current situation.

He is one of the leaders in the community. Although he doesn't have an official position his word weights heavy and in the absence of the president he organizes a lot. An example is the construction of our small house. Without Mario it wouldn't have been finished in the time agreed.



Like most of the women Gregoria is quite shy but very nice. She produces handicraft to increase the family income. Her biggest problem is the fact that she has no possibility to sell them and especially not to a fair price and therefore she is very interested in this part of our project.

The big worry for both of them is their son Jaime. When he was two years old he had an accident while playing with a big puppet. As he wanted to sit down he lost his balance and fell into the cooking fire. His whole head and most of the skin were burnt. Since then he has only hair in a few places. He feels very insecure and is ashamed. Therefore he never removes his cap and doesn't allow any pictures of himself. Mario would like to help him. Alipio had to explain that there are no medicaments to cure this and that transplantation would be the only solution.

The house of the family is typically for Chaullaccocha but one of the few which is secure during the rainy season. As usually all of them live in one room and share one bed. Of course the animals live in this room as well. Quite often the guinea pigs and chicken stumble through the pots before it is actually their time to be eaten.



As Mario and Gregoria are very interested to improve their life situation, they were selected by another NGO to get a smoke-free kitchen with a chimney installed. The people came, built up everything and left without explaining anything to Mario. Consequently the kitchen looks really nice but doesn't work! The house is still full of smoke.

His house is one of the few which has a transparent part in the roof and therefore light during the day.

The town had installed toilets (latrines) which are still not ready. Therefore they can't be used and the knowledge of how to take care of and maintain them lacks completely.

In addition Marion has a couple of other worries which are unknown in most of the other families. The town magistrate had promised to collect the plastic garbage on a regular basis but doesn't do it. Consequently he collects it but doesn't know what to do with it. The plastic results mainly from milk-, yoghurt-, and drinks-bottles.

The hygienic situation in which the family lives are in accordance to that. The same is true for the food which consists mainly of potatoes and their dried and frozen versions. The whole family and especially the kids do suffer from this. The corresponding details can be found in the document "Life in an Andean Village".

Mario and Gregoria would like to learn how to prevent the illnesses and therefore how to improve their personal hygiene and the situation in the house. If we are able to instruct them in these areas Mario is willing to build a new and improved house because he thinks that this would be the easiest way to improve their life situation. Their dream is to have a nice house where all of the basic necessities such as toilette and solar based electricity exist. They would love to have a solar shower because at the moment they have to wash themselves with ice-cold water and become ill quite fast. Mario would like to raise trout as he has the water to earn some more money but needs the corresponding construction.

The dream of Mario and Gregoria for her kids is that they receive a good education. They told us that they themselves feel very uncomfortable and are usually treated badly by officials as they hardly speak Spanish and come from a community. They don't want their kids to live through the same experience. They would prefer if the children could live in the town where there are more job possibilities but they should come back regularly into the village. Therefore they need a better house.