



Global Responsibility

"Engineers Without Borders-USA is proud to be an ongoing partner with the CH2M HILL organization and its professionals. The talent exhibited by its people in assisting us in our many endeavors is priceless. We will continue to encourage our new generations of humanitarian engineers to follow CH2M HILL's lead in making this a better world."

Cathy Leslie, Executive Director,
Engineers Without Borders-USA

CH2M HILL and Engineers Without Borders-USA

Through an integrated community partnership, Engineers Without Borders-USA (EWB-USA) and CH2M HILL are improving the quality of life in the developing world and training the next generation of socially responsible engineers by implementing sustainable engineering projects.

CH2M HILL is a founding sponsor of EWB-USA and has been an active supporter of the organization since 2003. The company supports EWB-USA as one of its three enterprise Community Partners programs because of common values and a shared commitment to:

- Deliver sustainable engineering solutions
- Inspire and mentor a future engineering and construction workforce
- Give back to the global community
- Use engineering principles and technologies to improve quality of life

CH2M HILL's two primary goals in partnering with EWB-USA are to: help improve quality of life in the developing world, and to strengthen the engineering talent pipeline by mentoring students and providing professional development opportunities for employees.

Multi-faceted Support

CH2M HILL's support of EWB-USA is multi-faceted, including financial, in-kind, and leadership support.

Since 2003, CH2M HILL's financial support has totaled more than **\$350,000** directly to the organization with another \$158,000 in grants awarded to CH2M HILL employees to implement water, energy, and sanitation projects.



According to UNICEF, every 15 seconds a child dies due to lack of basic sanitation and access to clean drinking water. Worldwide one in six people do not have access to clean, safe drinking water and two in five lack basic sanitation. For an average project cost of \$15-35,000, the 12,000+ members of EWB-USA help ensure that small, rural communities in 45 countries do not fall victim to these staggering statistics.



Community education and engagement is essential to project success. In Mali (above), an EWB-USA volunteer invites local children to participate in surveying. In Nicaragua (below) a CH2M HILL employee teaches children about proper hand-washing procedures.



Professional engineers mentor aspiring engineering students on EWB-USA projects.



EWB-USA is developing a new water system in Valle Bonito, Honduras. It will improve health in the community by providing a clean, reliable, and sustainable source of drinking water.

An active network of **more than 80 employees** volunteer with local student and professional chapters. These individuals contribute countless hours and substantial passion and technical expertise to help grow the EWB-USA organization, mentor students, serve as public speakers and ambassadors, and bring sustainable engineering projects to life in countries such as Guatemala, Thailand, and Mali. CH2M HILL supports its employees through an Employee Grant Program and an internal network that facilitates the sharing of best practices and lessons learned, and provides opportunities to connect employees to internal resources and experts to support project implementation.

CH2M HILL also provides leadership and in-kind support to EWB-USA. Senior Transportation Project Manager Mike Paddock serves on EWB-USA's Board of Directors. CH2M HILL's Corporate Affairs team provides in-kind marketing and communications support to the organization. Leadership extends into the chapters with numerous CH2M HILL employees serving as chapter founding members and presidents. Employees have shared their expertise with EWB-USA to help establish the organization's regional structure, and project and QA/QC processes.

A Two-Way Partnership

While EWB-USA has benefited and grown from CH2M HILL's support, CH2M HILL has also received significant benefits from this partnership.

Partnering with EWB-USA allows CH2M HILL professionals to meet and work with a number of engineering students and professionals. These individuals tend to share a commitment to sustainable engineering practices, global responsibility, and cultural sensitivity and are solid candidates for career opportunities with CH2M HILL. CH2M HILL professionals who belong to EWB-USA chapters, participate in projects, or provide marketing and communications services, are given the opportunity to develop competencies in leadership, teamwork and technical skills. Professional development is a positive outcome of employee volunteerism, and supporting employees who are passionate about EWB-USA builds loyalty and goodwill among employees.

Engineers Without Borders-USA (EWB-USA) is a non-profit organization helping build sustainable infrastructure and improve the lives of people in developing communities around the world, while training future engineers to be socially responsible and culturally aware. It also is one of the fastest growing engineering professional societies with more than 12,000 members working on 300 projects around the world. EWB-USA is comprised of both student and professional chapters.