



SUPPLEMENTAL MATERIALS

Proyecto Agua del Aire en Puerto Rico

Host Site, Sponsor & Partner FAQs

A practical companion to the Project Guide

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Who this supplement is for

Community organizations considering a host site; businesses and foundations considering sponsorship; manufacturers considering equipment support; and technical, solar, transportation, water-quality, or professional partners who want to understand how they can participate.

Quick Ways to Participate

- **Host a site:** Offer a qualified community location with reliable power, distribution capacity, and a designated site steward.
- **Contribute equipment or services:** AWGs, solar or batteries, freight, installation, water testing, filters, maintenance, or professional support.
- **Sponsor a defined need:** Support one machine, one site, transportation, power improvements, testing, or another specific project expense.
- **Recommend a community:** Connect BCBC with a trusted organization serving residents affected by water shortages.

Host Site Questions

How can my organization be considered as a host site?

Complete BCBC's Partner Interest Form or contact the project team. Expressing interest does not commit an organization to participate. BCBC will first learn about the community served, the proposed location, available power, water need, distribution capacity, and who could serve as the designated site steward.

Does a host organization have to purchase the Atmospheric Water Generator?

No. BCBC is seeking donated equipment, humanitarian or demonstration units, nonprofit pricing, sponsorships, and in-kind support to reduce the direct financial burden on community host organizations wherever possible.

Does a host site have to already have solar power?

No. Reliable electrical capacity is the primary requirement. Existing solar generation and battery storage can make a site especially strong because AWGs can require substantial power and the project is intended to remain useful during outages.

What does a host organization need to provide?

A qualified host should provide a secure equipment location, sufficient electrical access, an established connection to the community, a way to distribute water safely, and a designated site steward who can oversee routine operation, maintenance, testing coordination, and basic records.



Who will maintain the equipment?

Each host organization must identify a designated site steward. That person will oversee routine operation and cleaning, track filter schedules, coordinate water testing, report problems or downtime, and maintain basic production and distribution records. Manufacturer and technical support will be coordinated according to the equipment selected.

How much water will a site produce?

Production depends on the machine selected, humidity, temperature, operating hours, power availability, and maintenance. BCBC will treat manufacturer figures as rated capacity and document actual water production at each pilot site.

Will a host be expected to pay ongoing maintenance costs?

There is no standard host fee built into the pilot. Filter replacement, maintenance, testing, and other operating expenses will be identified for each system before deployment, and BCBC will seek manufacturer, sponsor, grant, or project support where possible.

Who will own the machine after installation?

Ownership and long-term responsibility will be established in writing before deployment based on the terms of the manufacturer, donor, sponsor, and receiving organization. No host site will be expected to accept equipment without understanding those responsibilities in advance.

Can we recommend a community even if we cannot host a machine?

Yes. Grassroots organizations, residents, and community partners are encouraged to identify trusted organizations and communities where additional water access may be valuable.

Sponsor & Business Questions

How can a business, manufacturer, or professional partner participate?

Partners can contribute at the level that makes sense for them. Support may include an AWG, solar or battery equipment, freight, installation, engineering, water testing, filters, maintenance, professional services, financial sponsorship, or introductions to other resources.

Does a company have to sponsor an entire site?

No. A business can support one defined component. One partner may provide the machine, another may help with power, another may move the equipment, and another may fund testing or installation. Those contributions can be combined into one operating community water site.

Why should a company or organization partner with Proyecto Agua del Aire?

The project offers an opportunity to contribute to a measurable community response to Puerto Rico's water crisis. Contributions can be connected to an identifiable site and documented through installation milestones, water production, community use, and project impact reporting.

How will participating partners be recognized?

BCBC intends to acknowledge major contributors through project announcements, social media, media outreach, installation coverage, photography and video, progress updates, and the Phase I impact summary. Recognition may reflect a partner's role, such as Water Technology Partner, Community Site Sponsor, Energy Resilience Partner, Transportation Partner, or another appropriate designation.



Can a company donate products or services instead of cash?

Yes. In-kind support is central to the project strategy. Donated equipment, freight, electrical work, solar or battery systems, professional services, water testing, filters, storage, installation, and other resources can directly reduce the amount of cash that must be raised.

Participation & Next Steps

How will the first five sites be selected?

Selection will consider demonstrated water need, reliable power, community reach, secure installation space, distribution capacity, a designated site steward, and the technical fit between the proposed location and available equipment. Site selection is not first-come, first-served.

What happens after a Partner Interest Form is submitted?

BCBC will review the submission and follow up with promising sites or partners to discuss the proposed role, available resources, and next steps. Potential host sites may then move into a more detailed technical assessment before any equipment commitment is made.

Does the project have to secure all five sites before the first installation can happen?

No. The project is designed to move site by site. A qualified location can proceed once the appropriate machine, power requirements, transportation, installation plan, water-safety procedures, and responsible site steward are in place.

What is the best way to help right now?

Potential hosts can submit or recommend sites. Manufacturers can offer equipment or nonprofit pricing. Businesses can sponsor specific needs. Solar, transportation, installation, water-quality, and technical partners can contribute services or resources. Introductions to organizations capable of helping are also valuable.

Ready to connect?

Contact Boricua Community Building Center to discuss a potential host site, equipment donation, sponsorship, technical contribution, transportation support, or community referral.

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