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## ECOM Foundation Partners with BasicNeeds in Kenya



The ECOM Foundation continues in partnership for 2014 with BasicNeeds to improve the social, economic, and health status of small holder coffee farmers and their families (6,158 persons) in the low-resourced rural Maara district of the Tharaka Nithi County, Kenya, in Cirigwa and Thima. Projects are designed to improve crop production by educating farmers in sustainable farming practices, and to improve health and wellness, through integrated family capacity building and empowerment. This is achieved by deepening the participation and benefits of women, youth, and the most vulnerable persons with mental health and substance



abuse disorders, who are often excluded from farming and other social and economic activities. "Together, we can make a difference in their lives!"

## Chiapas Community Builds First of Two ECOM Foundation Satellite Schools



Construction has completed in Union Buena Vista for the first of two satellite schools which will serve upwards of 800 students and community members per school. Next comes computers and a satellite dish. We will post more photos soon! Congratulations to all of the Project Managing Team and Volunteers in Chiapas!



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