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SUCCESS STORY

COSSMA New Health Care Clinic

OUTLINE OF NEED



COSSMA has been providing comprehensive primary health care service as a private non-profit organization since 1987. Their mission is to improve the quality of life of the people of the community by providing excellent comprehensive primary health care. They needed a new building to improve medical services to a population of patients in growth.

HOW RURAL DEVELOPMENT HELPED:

Rural Development provided a first loan of \$2,554,000.00 and a subsequent loan of \$1,000,000.00. Development cost incremented due to a delay of state agency endorsements.

THE RESULTS:



A two-story new health care clinic building with elevator composed of 1,990.00 square meters with 85 parking spaces available for handicapped, patients and employees in the municipality of Cidra was inaugurated in August 31, 2009.

The first floor serves all direct patient services such as: medical, nursing, pharmacy, dental and WIC services.

The second floor houses the administrative office and allied health as social worker, health education, nutrition, environmental and occupational health and transportation, home visits for disabled and homebound.

The building also contains electrical substation, water cistern and pumps station, garbage station, loading and unloading areas.

This health care clinic is a state of the art medical project which provides a wide variety of medical services to rural communities.

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