



Pacific Rim Eco-village Initiative

The Eco-village Initiative program works with villages in East and Southeast Asia and Latin America facing social-environmental problems, and seeks to bring in resources to the villages to help them transform themselves into self-sustaining villages. Our first Pacific Rim Eco-village Initiative is with a small village in Shandong Province, China.

General information about the project:

The village is located in Shandong province, China. Total population of the village is 1518. Total arable land is 198 acres. Residential area is 50 acres. Agriculture mainly depends on growing wheat, soybean, and corn, and some vegetables.

The Su River runs through the village. The river and soil in the village are heavily polluted by manufacturing upstream. The polluted soil is up to 20 m deep. Because of the water and soil pollution, about 18% of village residents have diabetes and cancer. Last year, 13 people died. During the past 5 years, 38 people under age 45 have died of disease.

The village plans to construct a drinking well. They are planning to dig to a depth of 160m to 180m to get drinking water. Total cost for the construction is approximately around RMB200,000 (USD \$30,000).

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Role of our organization in this project:

- **Short term plan:**
 - We are helping the village raise capital to construct a deep well. The purpose of this plan is to save the lives of 1518 villagers by providing drinkable water.
- **Long-term plan:**
 - Provide assistance to resolve water and soil pollution problems and to create a self-sustaining social - economic - ecological system.

What you can do to save the lives of others:

- Get involve in the project -- we are looking for volunteers and experts in water and soil pollution treatment.
- Give financial support -- to construct the well and to help fund the project.