



Prince George's County

STORMWATER STEWARDSHIP GRANT PROGRAM

APPLICANT Centro de Apoyo Familiar

PROJECT Aguas Sanas Familias Sanas, Healthy Waters Healthy Families

GRANT AMOUNT \$30,333

PROJECT SUMMARY Centro de Apoyo Familiar's (CAF) mission is to revitalize communities through economic, social, and educational empowerment in collaboration with faith based organizations.

In 2017, CAF conducted the Aguas Sanas Familias Sanas, Healthy Waters Healthy Families project to raise awareness about stormwater issues. CAF provided training to church promotoras (community health promoters) to become stormwater educators and leaders in their community. The promotoras conducted seven workshops, with the support and supervision of CAF staff, at several County churches, engaging a total of 225 families.

During the workshops, families had the opportunity to learn about

stormwater issues, its impact on human health, and what they can do as a family and in their community to address these issues. Residents learned about County resources, including the Rain Check Rebate Program, and were also provided with other informational materials.

By the end of the workshop, families left with increased awareness, knowledge, and resources to feel empowered to take action, such as to install a rain barrel through the Rain Check Rebate program and to use less water to conserve resources. This project reached Spanish-speaking residents and helped to translate the message of clean water to empower actions for a cleaner, healthier Prince George's County.

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