Gratitude Report to VivaCell-MTS 2015
Building Homes, Communities and a Homeland
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Mr. Ralph Yirikian  
General Manager  
VivaCell-MTS

Dear Mr. Yirikian,

Another year is at an end and the New Year is almost upon us. Let me take the opportunity to express my gratefulness and thank you for the successful year coming to an end. Adequate and affordable housing is foundational for breaking the cycle of poverty housing in Armenia. Thank you for joining us in this vital mission and helping more people improve their housing conditions.

In 2015, we assisted 90 families in need of decent housing out of which 40 families - 219 persons from 18 communities of 10 regions of Armenia were assisted through the generous investment of VivaCell-MTS. This year they received the best gift for the New Year, the long cherished gift of decent housing.

I am pleased to share with you this gratitude report reflecting on the tremendous work done in 2015.

We truly appreciate your continued trust and support in our mission and wish you a Happy Holiday Season and a joyful, healthy and prosperous New Year!

With Gratitude,

Ashot Yeghiazaryan  
Fuller Center for Housing Armenia President
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With the highest sense of corporate social responsibility many volunteer staff members, led by VivaCell-MTS General Manager Ralph Yirikian joined the families and worked shoulder to shoulder with them helping to build their dream home.
The Manukyans live in Kakavdzor village of Aragatsotn region. Edgar and Julietta got married nine years ago. They have two children. For many years the young family has been living with Edgar’s parents, brothers and their families - 11 people in four rooms without a kitchen and a bathroom.

Edgar did some construction work in the basement of the half-built house and lived there as they could not go on with the construction.

Now the family can enjoy the happiness of having a decent home.

It’s already four years Edgar has started the construction of the house but the small income of the family was not enough to finish it. Edgar is engaged in cattle breeding; they have cows. Julietta works as a teacher of history in the local school. Eight months ago the family moved from the house of Edgar’s parents to their own half-built house.
Aragatsotn Region, Kakaviadzor Village
Project Type - Half-built
2. Kakoyan Family

The Kakoyans are one of the families who till now have not been able overcome the difficulties caused by the 1988 disastrous earthquake. 27 years have already passed from that time but the family has not been able to put a stone on the stone to finish the construction of the half-built house. After the earthquake the Kakoyans have lived in a yurt with Rouben’s parents and relatives, altogether 11 persons, then the family moved to Ashtarak town where they rented a house.

“In less than a year my husband’s health state worsened, and we had to return to our village. We found this metal container (domik) and have been living here till recently. I’ve already stopped hoping that one day we will have a home and my son, Roman, will marry,” shared Tamara, the family mother.

The family started the construction of the house 25 years ago but the low income of the family and the health problems didn’t allow to finish it. The Kakoyans have three children. Their two daughters are married. Their son, the 29 years old Roman, couldn’t get married due to housing conditions.

In 2015 the Kakoyans became FCHA partner family and after the construction started Roman brought his fiancé to the metal container as he already had the hope that by the end of the year the new house construction will be completed.
Aragatsotn Region, Melikgyugh Village
Project Type - Half-built
3. Vardanyan Family

The Vardanyans are a family of eight. They live in Melikgyugh village of Aragatsotn regon. Mkrtich and Susambar got married in 1986. Two years the young couple used to live in Ashtarak city. After the earthquake the family moved to Melikgyugh village. They found a metal container (domik) and lived there till 2015. Their daughter and four sons were born in that domik.

Mkrtich works as glazier. His elder son lives abroad now, the daughter is married. Three sons are pupils. Susambar takes care of the family and helps her husband. Arshak, the eldest son, who now lives with the family is trying to help them.

In 2015 the family became an FCHA partner family and owing to the generous support of VivaCell-MTS a house was purchased for them.

"I have been dreaming of a decent home for 27 years. Thank you! May God bless all the supporters for making this possible," said Susambar.
Aragatsotn Region, Melikgyugh Village
Project Type - Purchasing
4. Kakoyan Family

Artak Kakoyan
Manik Mkhitaryan
Mariam Kakoyan
Anna Kakoyan
Vahe Kakoyan
43 years old
39 years old
6 years old
2-year-old
5-month-old

Artak and Manik married in 1997. They lived with Artak’s parents and brothers with their families-28 people in one house. In 2000 the young couple moved to live in the house built by Artak’s great-grandfather. It was a one-room soil house. Many years the couple tried to renovate the house. Unfortunately, the couple could not have children and in 2009 they adopted a child, Mariam, who brought light and happiness into their lives. Artak has tried to create necessary living conditions but the income was never enough to care the family needs and to renovate the house in the meantime. The roof was leaking and the walls were getting damp. No kitchen, no bathroom. Last year, after 17 years of awaiting, the family was blessed with the birth of their own children - a daughter was born in 2014 and a son in 2015.

“ I can’t express how happy I am. Two blessings in two years - the birth of our children and a decent home where we can raise them. My wife and I are so happy - our children will have a safe home. May God bless all the supporters who made this possible,” said Artak.
The Khamoyans live in the village of Shgharshik more than 30 years. After marriage Mushegh and Knarik lived with Mushegh’s parents and 5 brothers. The family was growing and it was difficult to live together in a small house.

20 years ago the municipality gave the Khamoyans a half-built house and Mushegh with his family of 6 moved to live separately. They did some construction work but they couldn’t finish it with the only income of cattle breeding. Mushegh is also the herdsman of the village and the elder son Styopa helps him with it. The mother of the family, Knarik, takes care of the family and the two children with disability.

"A whole life, almost 20 years, my family has lived in this half-built house with cement floors, leaking roof and damp walls. Two of our children have serious health problems; my daughter was born with a heart disease. My son was born blind in one eye, he is also ill with brucellosis. My wife and I seem to have lost hope that anything good could happen in our life. And now, when our dream comes true, I am the happiest man in the world," said the father of the family, Mushegh Khamoyan.
Aragatsotn Region, Shgharshik Village
Project Type - Half-built
Margaryan family lives in the village of Shgharshik already many years. The family consists of three people now - the mother with her two sons.

“When I got married we lived with my husband’s parents. It was a large family. We have 3 sons. My husband built our home in 2002 and it seemed we would live in that house happily many years. Unfortunately, my husband passed away from heart attack. I stayed with three sons alone with the difficulties of life. My elder son was 18 and the younger was 10 years old then. Times were hard for me and my sons. During many years the roof of our house deteriorated and began leaking and made the house damp. My eldest son, Vaspur, is married and lives in Yerevan now with his family. Vahan works in the village municipality and the youngest son is busy with farming,” said the mother of the family, Horomsim.
Aragatsotn Region, Shgharshik Village
Project Type - Renovation

“Now my sons won’t worry that the leaking roof will completely destroy the house built by their father.”

~Horomsim Martirosyan
Arevshat Hakobyan was born and raised in an extended family in Shgharshik village of Aragatsotn region. He has 6 sisters and 6 brothers. After marriage Arevshat started building his own house. In 1980 he started the construction of the house and only after 10 years he could finish it; in that period Arevshat, with his wife and three children, lived in a relatives house. Finally the family could have a home of their dream. Since then the house hasn’t been renovated. The roof started leaking during rainy season. Arevshat works in the village municipality. His son, Hayk, has a temporary work in Russia. With the growing needs of the family the Hakobyans were not able to renovate the roof. "It's fantastic to know you have a home and can raise your children under a safe roof. Unfortunately, time
changes everything. Now my children have their own families. My elder son lives in Yerevan and my daughter is married. I am living with my youngest son and his family. I'm happy that my grandchild will have a safe roof and decent living conditions. Thank you! You gave us the chance to experience the happiness of the safety," said Arevshat Hakobyan, the grandfather of the family.
For many years the Avetisyans lived with family father's, Serob Avetisyan's parents and brother. After Serob's brother married the family had to move and live separately in the same area of the house with only 2 basement-rooms without any basic conditions vital for living.

"I couldn’t even imagine that one day we’ll have a decent home to live in. I am so happy my children will finally have a decent home," shared the mother of the family, Tsovinar Tsarukyan.

In 1992, during the Nagorno Karabakh war Serob was wounded in arm. With the bleeding arm he could save the lives of 18 friends. After staying a week in hospital, he went to war again. He got contusion and has head-aches even now.

In 1992 the Avetisyans received a land, but due to financial difficulties they could start the construction of their own house on that land only in 2013.

Serob works in a stone pit. His son is good at construction and helps the family in building their house. The mother of the family works as a baker in a bakery. A few years ago their eldest daughter got married. The youngest daughter has graduated from school. They are engaged in animal breeding. But even with this income it was too hard to care the family needs and in the meantime to build a house. Now they live in their decent home with all the necessities.
Aragatsotn Region, Ujan Village
Project Type - Half-built
Vachik Muradyan was born and raised in Ujan village, Aragatsotn region. The house where the family lives in was built in 1976 by Vachik’s father. Vachik has three brothers. The brothers used to live together. After each brother formed his own family, they started building their own houses and left the parents’ house. The youngest brother with his family left Vachik’s house last year. Now Vachik lives with his wife and his son in the house of his parents. Vachik is busy with farming. His son is 18 and helps him.

"The roof of our house was leaking, each time it rained and the house became wet and damp. Fortunately, this year there will be no need to worry about the leaking roof. We'll have a safe roof and next year, I hope, we'll do the interior renovation. You gave us hope and a will to do more," said Vachik.
The Gevorgyans are a family of five. The house the family lives in was built by Karen's grandfather. It was a small house with three small and damp rooms. One of the small rooms was serving as a kitchen and a bathroom at the same time. During these years the family couldn't have the opportunity to renovate or to add something in the house.

Karen is a hardworking man. He is busy with farming. Now he lives with his mother, his wife and two small children. His brother and sister got married and moved to live separately.

“Sometimes it is harder to renovate than to build a house. Since childhood I have dreamed of a comfortable home... At least, I want it for my children. This year my children will meet the New Year in our new home with a new roof, a new kitchen and a bathroom. It's a blessing. Thank You! " said Karen.
Aragatsotn Region, Getap Village
Project Type - Renovation
The Hayrapetyans live in Pokr Vedi village of Ararat region. After marriage, Raya and Vachagan, have lived with Vachagan's parents and brother’s family – ten people in two small rooms without a kitchen and a bathroom. In 1990, when their son, Haroutyun, was born, the family started the construction of their own house, but they could build only the basement. In this basement the young family has lived about 10 years. 16 years ago a neighbor, who was going to leave for Russia, gave them his house as a temporary shelter. The Hayrapetyans have been living there till the summer of 2015. Despite the fact that Vachagan is a hard working man, he couldn’t finish the construction of the house. Time passed by and it took him 10 years to build only the walls.

“This was the happiest year in my life. My family will have a home. My son, Haroutyun, was born and raised in a damp and wet basement. I couldn’t forgive it myself. Now, my son has his sons. I am so happy that finally we will finish the construction of our home, the home of our dreams, and my grandchildren will have a better life. Thank you so much,” said Vachagan Hayrapetyan.
The Antonyan family of five lives in Mayakovsky village of Kotayk region. For 13 years the family lived with Arthur's relatives - 11 people in three rooms. In 2010 their neighbour left Armenia for several years and gave the house to the family to live temporarily. 4 years ago the couple's parents helped them to start building their own house.

“...It was a dream for me and my family to have a home. 4 years ago we started building our home. We built the walls and did the roofing, but couldn't go on. My husband works in a stone factory, he is a hard working man, but his salary isn't enough to care the family needs and to build a house in the meantime. This year our neighbours came back and we had to leave the house we lived in. It is like a miracle to know that we will have our own place to call a home, that my children will have a safe roof over their heads," shared Naira, the young mother of three.
Kotayk Region, Mayakovsky Village
Project Type - Half-built
The Antonyans are a family of six. They live in Mayakovsky village of Kotayk Region. The house, the family lived was old and lacked necessary housing conditions; no kitchen, no bathroom.

Armen is the only breadwinner of the family. He works in Bottle Company as a labor worker.

With the growing expenses of the growing family they could not afford to renovate the house.

In 2015 the family became an FCHA partner family and now they live in a house with proper bathroom and a kitchen.

”I can’t express my feelings. I am so happy. May God bless you all,” said Lyuda, the family mother.
Kotayk Region, Mayakovsky Village
Project Type - Renovation
Melikyan family lives in Ddmashen village of Gegharkunik region. Jumshud and Leyla got married in 1994. The family lived with Jumshud’s parents and brothers’ family in a small three-room house. Two years later they moved to Sevan city and lived there in a rented apartment for two years. Times were hard, they couldn’t pay the rent and care the needs of little children. Jumshud’s sister had a land in Ddmashen village; she gave it to her brother's family, with the help of Leyla’s and Jumshud's parents they got a metal container (domik) on that land and lived there for 15 years. Only after 10 years they could afford buying a half-built house in the same village; there were only the walls built and the roofing done. For about 10 years they couldn't do any construction on that house and still lived in the metal container. Only last year they were able to build two rooms in the house and moved to live there.

“All these years I have dreamed of having a home. My sons have never felt the happiness of having a safe roof. One can't imagine what does it mean to live in a domik. In December 2014, first time in his life, my younger son, Taron met the New Year at a stone built home, even if half-constructed. Our dream of living like other people, with basic housing conditions, came true after so many years of awaiting. Thank you!” said the mother of the family, Leyla.
Gegharkunik Region, Ddmashen Village
Project Type - Half-built
Roman Karapetyan is a 24 years old handsome man. He was born and raised in the village of Yervandashat, Armavir Region. There was something that made him think that he is not like others; he always dreamed of having a stone built house, a real one that he could call a home.

Gevorg, Roman’s father, was one of the four sons of his father. When he married he moved to live separately. He bought a metal container (domik) and with his wife and new born elder son, Edgar, started to live there. Since 1990 Gevorg has started to build a house for his family but he could build only the walls and do the ceiling and continued living in that metal container.

“It is difficult to hear your child asking "why we don’t have a home?". My son now is not a child anymore. I hope his children will not ask him that question,” the family mother, Anoush shared.
Armavir Region, Yervandashat Village
Project Type - Half-built
The Meloyan family of twelve lives in a house built in 1980. With the big expenses of the extended family it was difficult to renovate the house and even the roof. During the windy seasons the asbestos roof sheets were broken and the ceiling and the walls became damp during rainy weather.

The two brothers have their own families and now the house is separated into two parts for each family. But the roof is one and it leaks during rainy seasons. The brothers have tried to renovate the roof, they replaced some of the broken roof sheets but it did not help.

Nelson is busy with farming and Ashot works abroad doing seasonal work. “My sons are hard working men. I see how they to do their best for their families, for my wife and me. It is truly difficult to care the needs of an extended family. I am sure your support will be a start up point for them not to get disappointed,” said grandfather Mnatsakan.
Armavir Region, Yervandashat Village
Project Type - Renovation
The Babajanyan family of 7 lived in a severely damaged soil house. Three years ago they started building their own house through the help of government but could build only the walls and the roof. It’s already two years the family has been living in the basement of the house. It is a small, dark, and wet room with concrete walls and floors. Gagik’s two children, Anna and Arman, are adopted. Anna is already married. The youngest son, Taron, is a schoolchild.

Gagik, his wife Tamara and their children spend half of the year in the mountains, as Gagik is a shepherd and his family helps him with it.

“I don’t believe in fairytales but this is a real fairytale. It is already many years my family has been living in the wet and dark basement of our half-built house without necessary living conditions. Now when I see how my recurring and unreal seeming dream comes true, how can I not believe?” said the father of the family, Gagik Babajanyan.
Vayots Dzor Region, Khachik Village
Project Type - Half-built
The Hayrapetyan family soil house, where they were living, was severally damaged in war time. Year by year it got even worse and unsafe. For many years the family has been living with the fear that the roof of the house could be ruined. Valerik and his wife, Yerjanik, decided to send their children and grandchildren to live in a hostel to keep them far from the danger. Now Valerik, his wife and his mother-in-law live in that soil house.

Years ago Valerik started building a new house on his garden area through government help but couldn't finish the construction due to financial difficulties. After the new house construction is finished his son together with his family will come back to live together.

“It is already long time my son with his family lives separately... I've always been dreaming that my son and my grandchildren will come to live with us. I can’t believe this is a reality and our new house is a safe and calm place to live in,” shared Valerik.
Vayots Dzor Region, Khachik Village
Project Type - Half-built
The Asatryans are a family of six. Samvel and his first wife, Gayaneh, lived with Samvel's parents in the borderline village of Khachik. The family has been dreaming of living in their own home one day.

In 1991 Samvel's father was killed by enemy fires when he was in the pasture. Unfortunately, misfortunes do not come alone. Samvel’s wife, Gayaneh’s heart couldn’t stand the fear after having heard the news of her father-in-law’s death, as she also had health problems. In the same period of time Samvel lost his father and the lovely wife.

The house construction was the only thing that could distract Samvel from pain. But it was difficult to care the growing needs of his children and build a house in the meantime. Time passed, Samvel married Susanna. Now they have a daughter. The growing family needs didn’t let to finish the house construction; they didn’t have a bathroom, and the roof was old and insecure.

“Time flies by... my eldest son is already 30 years old. My daughter, Anoush, is 29, she got married last fall... I am happy that we have a home with decent housing conditions,” said Samvel.
Vayots Dzor Region, Khachik Village
Project Type - Renovation
This is already the third generation of the Gyulnazaryans living in Shatin village. The home they lived was severely damaged and it was in stone fall zone. There weren’t necessary living conditions; there was no bathroom, no kitchen, only the fear of danger, and the fear of losing the house. They should have moved to a new house with the government help, as it was very dangerous to live in that stone fall zone. In 2008 the Government assisted them financially, but the assistance was enough only to build the walls and the roof of the new home.

The only income of the family is coming from farming. The Gyulnazaryans are a family of seven and it was hard to care the family needs and to finish the construction of the house at the same time. Rafayel’s parents are pensioners, his wife is busy with homework and the children are students. Rafayel is the only breadwinner. In 2015 the family become an FCHA partner family and will meet the New Year in their new home owing to the generous support of VivaCell-MTS.
Artak was 13 when his parents, his brother and sister had to move from their house, as it was in a stone fall zone. The Budaghyans were one of the first families in Shatin village who lost their home due to the danger of stone fall.

The government gave them a new, decent and comfortable house. But after many years the roof started leaking. The walls became damp and moldy and the alabaster started to rend. The entire house started to dilapidate.

Artak is 43 years old. Now he has his own family. The only income of the family is coming from farming. Artak is growing peaches and apples. Astghik takes care of the children.

Hopefully, now they have a safe roof and can manage the interior renovation by their own.
Vayots Dzor Region, Shatin Village
Project Type - Renovation
The family father, Arshaluys, was born and raised in the village of Shatin. Their old house was in stone fall zone and in 1986 the family had to move to a new house, which was given to them by the government.

It was a house without necessary living conditions. The family managed to renovate the house and to make it comfortable for living. They could make a decent environment for living inside of the house but could not afford to build the roof. Arshaluys has tried to replace some slates, but the roof continued leaking.

“When it was raining we had to put buckets and cups in the house and the house was damp and even wet in Fall and Spring. I don’t have a permanent job and the only income of our family is coming from farming and our single cow. Now with the financial support of VivaCell-MTS and with the help of FCHA we will not worry about damp walls during rainy seasons. Now we can say we have a safe roof over our heads,” said the father of the family, Arshaluys.
Vayots Dzor Region, Shatin Village
Project Type - Renovation
The Karapetyan brothers live in the village of Darbas, Syunik region. They orphaned when the elder brother was only 14 years old. Their only hope were their grandparents, but a few years later the grandparents passed away leaving the three brothers all alone with the difficulties of life. The elder brother became like a parent for the younger ones taking care of them.

The Karapetyans are hardworking, strong willed young people who, notwithstanding their harsh life, are doing their best to live and create a better future. Vrezh, the elder of the brothers, is working as a shift operator at hydroelectric power station. Rouben is a driver. The brothers are also engaged in farming and cattle breeding. The three brothers started building a house of their own, built the walls, the roof but couldn’t go on due to financial difficulties.

Now they can enjoy all the blessings that a decent home can bring to their life in the future.
The Hovhannisyan Family

24. Hovhannisyan Family

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The Hovhannisyans are a family of 10. Family father, Grigor, moved to the village of Bagravan, Shirak region in 1976, when his parents had to live the borderline village of Kharkov, near Ani, a ruined medieval Armenian city-site situated in the Turkish province of Kars near the border with Armenia. They bought a three-room house without basic housing conditions and lived there many years. When Grigor grew up and formed his own family, he started renovating the house but could renovate only the roof in 1992. The family was growing and the expenses were increasing accordingly. The family did not have a kitchen, a bathroom and even bedrooms for each of the sons with their families. The grandchildren have never seen how does the bathroom look like and since the birth have had a bath in a metallic tub.

Grigor and his sons are hard working men. The elder son, Aharon, works in stone pit. The younger son, Zohrap, has a temporary work in Russia. Now the family has a house with a new roof, a new comfortable bathroom and a kitchen where the women’s job will be easier.
Shirak Region, Bagravan Village
Project Type - Half-built
The Tsaturyans are a family of five. Till 1988 Hambardzum lived in an apartment with his parents. After the disastrous earthquake of 1988 they got a temporary shelter (domik) by Vanadzor municipality and moved to live there. Hambardzum and Maria got married in 2002 and lived with Hambardzum’s parents in a small temporary shelter. When Hambardzum’s younger brother got married he, together with his parents moved to live separately, as it was not possible to live together under the same roof.

The shelter they lived in was in unfavorable condition, and this made even harder to take care of the children so they rented a house. They started the construction of their own house, but could not finish it.

Hambardzum is the only breadwinner of the family. He is busy with trade. Maria is a housewife. She takes care of her children.

Hambardzum and Maria have three children. Now the sons are schoolchildren, their daughter, Nareh, is four years old.

The family total monthly income is about AMD185,000, which is not enough to keep the family and build a house.

Now the family lives in a beautiful house after so many years of awaiting.
Lori Region, Vanadzor City
Project Type - Half-built
The Margaryans are a family of four. Seryozha and Hasmik got married in 1982 and lived with Seryozha’s parents until the disastrous earthquake of 1988. During the earthquake, the house was damaged and they could not live there anymore.

The Margaryans moved to a temporary shelter and since then they have been living there. The life in that small temporary shelter was very difficult as there were no conditions necessary for living.

Seryozha and Hasmik have two children. Now Kristine is married and has two children. Seryozha and his son, Edgar, are obliged to go abroad (Russia) almost every year to do private work there, which is not stable though. Hasmik, the family mother, is a housewife. The income of the family is the father’s and son’s salaries.

“May God bless you for making this miracle a reality,” shared Mrs. Hasmik.
Lori Region, Lejan Village
Project Type - Half-built
The Sakhlyan family of four lives in Lejan village, Lori region. For many years Arsen and his brother with his family have lived with their parents, altogether nine persons under one roof. In 2012 Arsen bought a house and moved with his family to live separately. During years they have been trying to improve their housing conditions, but couldn’t finish it due to the growing needs of the extended family.

The main income of the family comes from agriculture. Arsen is engaged in farming. Valya, the family mother, doesn’t work, she is a housewife and their children are pupils.

“We were trying to improve our housing conditions but all seemed ineffective as the house got damaged each time it rained, as the roof was damaged and it was leaking. Now we can see the result of our work and finally our children will live in a healthier and cozier house,” shared Arsen.
Lori Region, Lejan Village
Project Type - Renovation
The Sakhlyans live in the village of Lejan, Lori region. Edgar Sakhlyan and his brother, Suren Sakhlyan, were born and raised in the house where they live now. Later the two brothers married and had to live together in the same house with their parents and their families.

Robert with his two sons are engaged in farming. Greta, the family mother, is an accountant and Armine, Suren’s wife, woks as a cook. The income of the family wasn’t enough to keep the family and renovate the house at the same time.

“Finally we will live under a renovated and safe roof. We couldn’t afford to do it without your help,” shared Edgar.
Lori Region, Lejan Village
Project Type - Renovation
The Yetaryan family of six lives in the Lejan village of Lori region. Serzhik and Hasmik married and lived in a small house without necessary housing conditions. They had two sons and a daughter. Their daughter is already married. The elder son married and moved to live separately. The younger son, Suser, married and lives with his family and his parents in the same house. During these years Suser tried to enlarge the house as the family was growing but couldn’t finish it due to the financial difficulties.

The income of the family comes from farming. Now Suser’s younger son has graduated from school and is helping his father. The elder son, Seryozha, is a soldier.

“Every year I wanted to renovate the house, but I couldn’t as the roof was so old that our house was getting damaged and dampening during rainy weather. Now after having renovated the roof I feel safer and can create necessary living conditions for my family. Thank you for your generous support,” shared Suser.
The Avalyan family of six lives in Movses village, Tavush region. Karine and Artak married in 1983 and lived in Artak’s paternal house. During the 1988 disastrous earthquake the house was damaged and they couldn’t live there anymore. They reconstructed the house to be able to live there but couldn’t finish the construction.

Artak and Karine have 3 sons who are leaving abroad to earn a living for the family. Artak works at the village school and Karine, the family mother, works in the village municipality.

The monthly income of the family is AMD 180,000 which includes Karine’s and Artak’s salaries and Areg’s, the family grandmother's welfare of AMD 50,000.

Owing to the partnership between FCHA and VivaCell-MTS they have a safe and warm house now.
Tavoush Region, Movses Village
Project Type - Half-built
The Badalyans live in the Movses village of Tavoush region. Before marriage Mourad lived with his parents in his paternal house. Mourad and Rouzanna married in 1990 and moved to Aygepar. They were working there and earning a living but everything changed when their apartment was destroyed by enemy’s bombardments. In 1994 they came back to the village of Movses and started working there. They tried to renovate the house creating simple housing conditions for living. The Badalyans have renovated some part of the house, but couldn’t finish it due to financial difficulties.

Mourad and Rouzanna have two children. They work in the local school. Their son, Grigor, left abroad to work and assist the family financially and Shoushanna works in a bank.

“Every year in winter we were thinking only how we should heat the house. But now owing to your support we will live in a warm and healthy house. We are so grateful to you for helping us,” shared Rouzanna.
Tavoush Region, Movses Village
Project Type - Renovation
The Avalyans live in the Aygepar village of Tavoush region. After marriage the Avalyans lived in Armenak’s paternal house for three years. In 2001 Armenak rented a house in Movses village and moved with his family to live separately. Then they moved to Aygepar village to work and earn a living. In 2014 Armenak bought a two-room apartment and moved there. They did some renovation, but couldn’t finish it due to the growing needs of the extended family.

Armenak and Satenik have three children. Armenak is a military. Satenik, the family mother, works in the kindergarten. Their children are pupils.

“\[I\] was only dreaming to have a house and be able to create at least basic housing conditions for our children. Last year one of my dreams came true and we had a house. And now my second dream is coming true; owing to your generous support now we have better conditions with a nice kitchen and a bathroom. Thank you so much for helping us,” shared Satenik.
Tavoush Region, Movses Village
Project Type - Renovation
The Grigoryans are a family of three. They live in the Aygepar village of Tavoush region. For many years the Grigoryans lived in Hayrapet’s paternal house. In 2014 Hayrapet with his family moved to live separately and rented a house. They couldn’t afford to buy a house due to the growing needs of the extended family.

Hayrapet and Marine have a daughter. Hayrapet is doing labor work. Marine, the family mother is a teacher at the local school. Their daughter, Lilit, is a pupil. Because of inadequate housing, they never even considered having a second child.

This year they bought an apartment and also renovated it owing to the generous support of VivaCell-MTS. “We could not even think that one day our dream will come true and we will have our own house. Finally we will live in a new house with all the necessities. There are no words to express our gratitude to VivaCell-MTS and Fuller Center for Housing Armenia,” shared Hayrapet.
Tavoush Region, Movses Village
Project Type - Renovation
The Galstyan family of six lives in Nerkin Karmiraghbyur village of Tavoush region. Hrachik and Varsik married in 1989 and lived in Hrachik’s paternal house with his parents. During these years they constructed their own house but couldn’t afford to finish it due to the growing needs of the extended family.

The breadwinners of the family are Varsik and Hrachik. Varsik is a seller. Hrachik, the family father, is a military. They have 3 children. Arayik, the elder son, is married. The younger son is a soldier. Their daughter is already married.

The monthly income of the family is around AMD200,000 which is not enough to care the family needs and finish the construction of their house. Now the family will meet the New Year in their new home and will enjoy the blessings of decent housing.
Tavoush Region, Nerkin Karmiraghbyur Village
Project Type - Half-built
35. Galstyan Family

The Galstyan family has lived in Nerkin Karmiraghbyur village for many years. Arthur lives with his family in his paternal house. In 1988, during the disastrous earthquake the second floor of the house was damaged. They tried to rebuild the house, but in 1992 the house, particularly the roof, was damaged as a result of enemy fires. During these years, they renovated as much as they could but weren’t able to finish the renovation.

“We are so happy that our children will live a safe and prosperous life. We will always be grateful for all that you have done to help us,” shared Arthur.
The Galstyan family of six lives in Nerkin Karmiraghbyur village of Tavoush region. Manvel lives with his family in his paternal house without necessary housing conditions. During years they were trying to renovate the house by their own, but they couldn’t finish it due to financial difficulties.

The Galstyan family are hardworking people, they have no stable work, but do their best to earn a living. The father of the family is engaged in farming.

This year their youngest son graduated from school and is helping his father. The elder son serves in the army. The monthly income of the family is not stable and they couldn’t afford to keep the extended family and renovate the house.

“Now my family will live in a comfortable house with all the necessities. We are so grateful to you for your invaluable support” shared Manvel, the family father.
Tavoush Region, Nerkin Karmiraghbyur Village
Project Type - Renovation
The Simonyans live in Nerkin Karmiraghbyur village, Tavoush region. Before marriage Armen lived with his parents in a small house. In 1999 Armen married Lusine and moved to Armen’s relative’s empty house, as Armen’s paternal house was too small for an extended family.

In 2004 Armen bought a house without necessary living conditions; without a bathroom and a proper kitchen and with the roof severely damaged of the hail and moved to live there with his family.

Armen and Lusine have two children. Armen is the only breadwinner of the family. He is engaged in farming. Lusine, the family mother, doesn’t work, she is a housewife. Their children are pupils. The family’s total monthly income is around AMD150,000, which is of course not enough to keep the family and build a house in the meantime.

Owing to the partnership between Fuller Center for Housing Armenia and VivaCell-MTS the family has finished the renovation of the house.
Tavoush Region, Nerkin Karmiraghbyur Village
Project Type - Renovation
### Arakelyan Family

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The Arakelyan family of six lives in Nerkin Karmiraghbyur village of Tavoush region. The Arakelyans were living in Ivan’s paternal house till the war of 1993. During the war Ivan’s paternal house was burnt and they were left homeless. In 1994 Ivan bought a house with very poor conditions and moved there with his family. Year by year they renovated as much as they could but weren’t able to finish the renovation.

Ivan and Anahit married in 1990 and have two sons. One of the sons, Arthur, married Natella and has a daughter. Arman, the younger son, studies at the Institute. He is a future military. The breadwinner of the family is Ivan. He is a serviceman. Anahit is a housewife and Natella, the daughter-in-law, takes care of the child. The income of the family is nearly AMD150,000 which is not enough to live and build a home at the same time.

Now owing to the partnership between Fuller Center for Housing Armenia and VivaCell-MTS the family lives in a nice house with a safe roof over their heads.
Tavoush Region, Nerkin Karmiraghbyur Village
Project Type - Renovation
The Chobanyan family of two lives in Nerkin Karmiraghbyur village of Tavush region. Svetlana, the family mother married and lived with her husband in his paternal house. Her husband was a military but six years ago he was killed by the enemy bullet. Now Svetlana lives with her son, Armen. Svetlana also has a daughter, who is already married.

They have been trying to improve their housing conditions before the unexpected death of the family father. Their dream remained unfulfilled; and they couldn’t afford to continue the renovation by their own. The only breadwinner of the family is Armen. He works in the police station. Svetlana gets a welfare as a widow. The total income of the family is AMD130,000.

Owing to the partnership between VivaCell-MTS and FCHA now they have a more comfortable house.
Tavoush Region, Nerkin Karmiraghbyur Village
Project Type - Renovation
40. Avagyan Family

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The Avagyan family live in Nerkin Karmiraghbyur village, Tavush region. Babken and Hasmik married in 1993 and lived with Babken’s parents. Babken’s parents passed away, and now they are a family of four.

Babken and Hasmik have two children, Roman and Rubina. Roman is a military and Rubina, their daughter, is a student. Babken works as a store-keeper. Hasmik, the family mother, is a housewife.

The monthly income of the family is AMD230,000 which is enough only for living. During years they tried to renovate their house to have better living conditions but couldn’t finish due to financial difficulties.

“There are no words to express my thankfulness. I am so happy that finally we live in a house with better conditions,” shared Hasmik, the family mother.
Tavoush Region, Nerkin Karmiraghbyur Village
Project Type - Renovation
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