



Anhui Dabie Mountain Area Community Development Project

1 Villagers of Doushahe Village, Huoshan County



2 Maojianshan Village, Yuexi County



3 Children returning to their homes in Changlin Village, Taihu County



4 Heifer helps villagers set up Self-Help Groups to bring them together for community development



5 Heifer will provide livestock such as pigs, goats or cattle and training to help them become self-reliant

Who are we helping?

We are helping 400 impoverished families from 8 villages in Huoshan, Yuexi and Taihu Counties, Anhui Province, who have suffered from the destructive snowstorm in 2008.



What is it like there?

- The 3 counties of the Dabie Mountain area are the poorest counties within Anhui Province.
- Due to their remote geographical locations, diversified landscapes, sparsely located population, and poorly developed communication, education and health facilities, the economic development of the area remains slow.
- Southern China suffered from a disastrous snowstorm in Jan 2008. Large areas of farmland were destroyed and over 60 thousand houses were damaged. Among the nearly 6 million victims most live in the Dabie Mountain area.



Information about the poor villages:

	No. of villages in the whole county	No. of poor villages	Net annual income of the poor people
Huoshan	130	25	Over 1/4 of the population has a net annual income below RMB 720, for the rest it ranges from RMB 720 to 1090.
Yuexi	182	21	
Taihu	174	27	



How will we help?

- Provide quality animals such as pigs, cattle, chickens or goats, as well as training in animal husbandry, community development, and disaster resistance in order to help raise their productivity and standard of living.
- Work with partners to provide training to local villagers and teachers to improve the education level of the communities.
- Work with local authorities to help the villagers build methane gas wells, rubbish bins and compost sheds in order to improve the living environment.
- Assist villagers to set up Self-Help Groups in order to bring the community together and motivate them to work towards sustainable development and self-reliance.
- Another 590 families will benefit by "Passing on the Gift" and receive animal offspring and raising techniques from the first generation recipients.

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