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Fast Facts:

The Water Well Trust is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization.

The Water Well Trust develops programs and identifies resources to:

- provide wells to individuals and families in the U.S. who do not have a safe drinking water supply in their homes
- rehabilitate or replace contaminated wells to protect the health of well owners
- ensure safe drinking water for well owners nationwide
- develop projects that use wells as part of affordable, safe drinking water delivery systems

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Well Within Reach



Do You or Someone You Know Need our Help?

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What is the Water Well Trust?

The Water Well Trust (WWT) is a 501(c)3 organization created by the Water Systems Council to promote wells.

One of the things the WWT does is to help low-income families nationwide who need safe drinking water to get wells. There are many excellent organizations working to provide safe drinking water to people in need in developing countries. The Water Well Trust is focused on helping those people here — at home — in the United States.

In the United States, they are the people living in rural, unincorporated areas or minority communities that may be isolated and difficult to reach. Or, they can even be found in a community just outside of a major metropolitan area or in a forgotten corner of a suburban area.

They are low-income families who cannot afford to pay for public water supplies (PWS). And, they live in areas where the extension of PWS to serve them doesn't make sense...for them, for the PWS owners, for federal, state or local funding sources...for anyone!

For millions, this means they are forced to haul water or continue to use contaminated water sources.

New individual wells and small, shared wells are the best, affordable and cost-effective way to provide safe drinking water to these households.



Who Do We Serve?

The Water Well Trust works for low-income families and individuals who have wells that are no longer functioning properly, have contamination issues that render the well unusable, or have no well or other safe water source.

Why Now?

It's time! It's unconscionable that there are people in the United States without safe drinking water. It also doesn't make sense that the best solution – wells – is not available to the low-income households who are hauling water or using contaminated water.

The Water Well Trust is the only organization dedicated to working on these issues in the United States. But we need your help.

Real People, Real Needs. One Example.

Marge and Bill Smith* were living the American dream when they purchased their property in Arkansas in 2005. They started construction on their new home and were told that water service would be coming to the area "soon." Except "soon" never came. Bill is a disabled veteran and even with Marge's income, the couple is considered below the poverty threshold. They can't get a bank loan to finance a well and there are no government funds available for a well or to install water lines as the per capita income in the surrounding area is too high.



And it isn't just the Smiths. Six other families purchased property in this same area and were also told that water service would be available. They and Smiths have been living in their homes without a well or access to a public water supply for eight years.

Trying to reach this low-income area with a public water supply is not cost-effective for the county or affordable for the families. Residents are forced to haul water from a coin-operated water dispenser provided by a neighboring water district. The machine takes quarters and residents pay to fill containers and larger water storage tanks transported in the back of pickup trucks.

Once home, the residents unload the storage tanks and containers or transfer the water to storage tanks onsite. There are many opportunities for contamination of the water during this process. And, due to the size and weight of the storage tanks, it is hard for most of the families to clean them between fillings.

Hauling water is a physical and financial hardship these families face everyday.

The Solution

After more than eight years of hauling water these families received financing from the Water Well Trust for new wells for their homes and they now have access to a safe drinking water source. But our work has just begun. It is estimated there are almost 2 million Americans living without a safe water supply. Please make your tax deductible contribution to the Water Well Trust by filling out the form on the back of the brochure or by visiting www.waterwelltrust.org.

Names changed to protect privacy.