



Who Are We?

Handmade by Friendship Bridge® is a *Microcredit Plus* service of the nonprofit social enterprise Friendship Bridge. We support the artisans of Friendship Bridge by acquiring the skills, education, learning experiences, support, and technical assistance they need to reach their potential and independently sell their handmade products in local, national, and international markets.

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Services

Product Development: We oversee construction of new samples, sourcing of Guatemalan textiles, and offer products for private label.

Production Management: We serve as a production supervisor between wholesale buyers and artisans who are Friendship Bridge clients.

Quality Assurance: Our professional team can help to oversee product quality control and receive/provide feedback to the artisan women on product satisfaction.

Shipping Services: We work with specialized shipping companies to ensure that product delivery is on time. We can also coordinate shipments and documentation needed for customs.

Artisan Stories: We believe that sharing the stories of the artisans as well as information on how and where these products are made is very important. We are happy to share images of the creators and their stories.

Opportunity: We create opportunities for the women we serve, and support our mission to empower women in Guatemala.

Online Stores

Retail Store:

www.handmadebyfriendshipbridge.org

Wholesale Store:

www.wholesalehandmadebyfriendshipbridge.org

Password: HelloHandmade

Impact

IMPACT RESULTS FROM OUR MOST RECENT BASIC TRAINING SESSIONS:



AS A RESULT OF OUR ADVANCED TRAININGS, CURRENTLY, 30+ ARTISAN WOMEN ARE EXPORTING PRODUCTS TO USA



WHICH COME FROM 4 DIFFERENT REGIONS OF GUATEMALA



IMPACTING 15+ COMMUNITIES



OUR ARTISANS HAVE DEVELOPED 800+ HIGH-QUALITY HANDMADE PRODUCTS SINCE ESTABLISHMENT.

History

Handmade by Friendship Bridge® was known as the Artisan Market Access Program in 2015 and became its own brand in 2019. As a learning organization, Friendship Bridge has evolved substantially since it began work in Guatemala in 1998 to support women living in poverty and with limited economic opportunities. It has diversified its offerings and provided additional products and services since its founding. Friendship Bridge discovered—through surveys and research—the need of many of the artisan women for access to new markets to sell their products and bolster their income. However, many of the artisans faced geographical and language barriers and/or did not have the business skills necessary to thrive in today's marketplace.



Line of Business

We are an e-commerce retail and wholesale brand. All of our products are carefully handmade by Guatemalan artisan women.

“Through my time with Handmade by Friendship Bridge®, I have felt empowered. I have been able to provide for my family. I also am grateful to Handmade for giving me the opportunity to participate and be an independent woman. Thank you.” —Mirian

Like Mirian, many women in Guatemala struggle every day to provide for their families. We are committed to empowering women to alleviate the effects of poverty and make an exponential impact. Supporting us means you will help provide development, learning, and growth opportunities to those women.

“My dream for my children is for them to graduate one day and to have a better future.” —Mirian

Watch Mirian's video: <https://youtu.be/cCWqMU22YHM>

