

# Ember Bridge

*Life taking river.  
Miles of remote jungle.  
Two bridges built.  
Eighteen more needed.*

*“Fan into flame the gift of  
God which is in you...*

*for God gave us a spirit not  
of fear but of power and  
love and self-control.”*

2 Timothy 1:6-7

\$100,000 PER BRIDGE · 100% SERVICE · 0% PROFIT OR OVERHEAD

**\$50K**  
MATERIALS

**\$30K**  
LOGISTICS

**\$10K**  
TOOLS

**\$10K**  
CONTINGENCY



## THE OPPORTUNITY

Following tragic death after death, two years ago, retired Navy Seabee Commander and licensed Professional Engineer Joe Charles stood in the jungle of Panama’s Ngabe-Bugle Comarca and made a promise to Pastor Samuel Abrego: “I can build a bridge.”

Bridge One was completed June 2025, funded entirely by family and friends. Bridge Two followed in April 2026. The model works. But **the deaths continue**. The Cricamola stretches **39 miles** through the most remote rainforests in northwestern Panama, draining a **906-square-mile** watershed that receives **~10 feet** of rainfall annually, nearly four times the global average. Mountain headwaters rising a mile above sea level send **catastrophic flash floods** tearing through the valley with little warning. For these communities, each crossing is a gamble with their lives. **This is not a matter of convenience. It is a matter of survival.**

## THE RIVER, BY THE NUMBERS

<b>12+</b>	deaths per year from river crossings
<b>Apr, 2026</b>	Another little girl was taken by the river on her way to school
<b>~20,000</b>	people cut off from medicine, school & church
<b>39 mi</b>	of remote, unreachable river corridor
<b>3,531</b>	cubic feet of water per second discharge from flash flooding

## WHY PARTNER WITH EMBER BRIDGE

- ✓ **The crisis is geographic, not solved.** The Cricamola is long, remote, and unreachable by road. Each bridge serves only the villages within walking distance. Deaths upstream and downstream continue until every village has a crossing.
- ✓ **Validated execution.** Two bridges built on time, on budget, safely, with quality, and with zero institutional funding. A licensed PE leads every build. Disciplined, accountable, not check-and-hope charity.
- ✓ **Permanent impact, multi-decade ROI.** A single \$100K investment saves lives every day for 40+ years. Founders absorb all overhead; every sponsor dollar tracked with quarterly impact reports.
- ✓ **Brand permanence.** Your company name engraved on a brass plate on a bridge in Panama, a photographable, visitable legacy your team can experience firsthand.
- ✓ **Last operators on the ground.** Where peer NGOs and local government investment has not reached due to logistical and political complexity, Ember Bridge goes. Early partners shape the next 18 builds.

### TAX-DEDUCTIBLE GIVING

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### DONOR-ADVISED FUNDS

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