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Half Full: A Personal Water Collection System

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THE PROBLEM:

There are thousands of displaced refugees in the Middle East, where water is often limited. In some camps refugees must carry gallons of water over long-distances to provide for their families. Long queues, harsh weather, and tensions over access to water are just some of the everyday struggles of a refugee.

HOW DOES IT WORK?

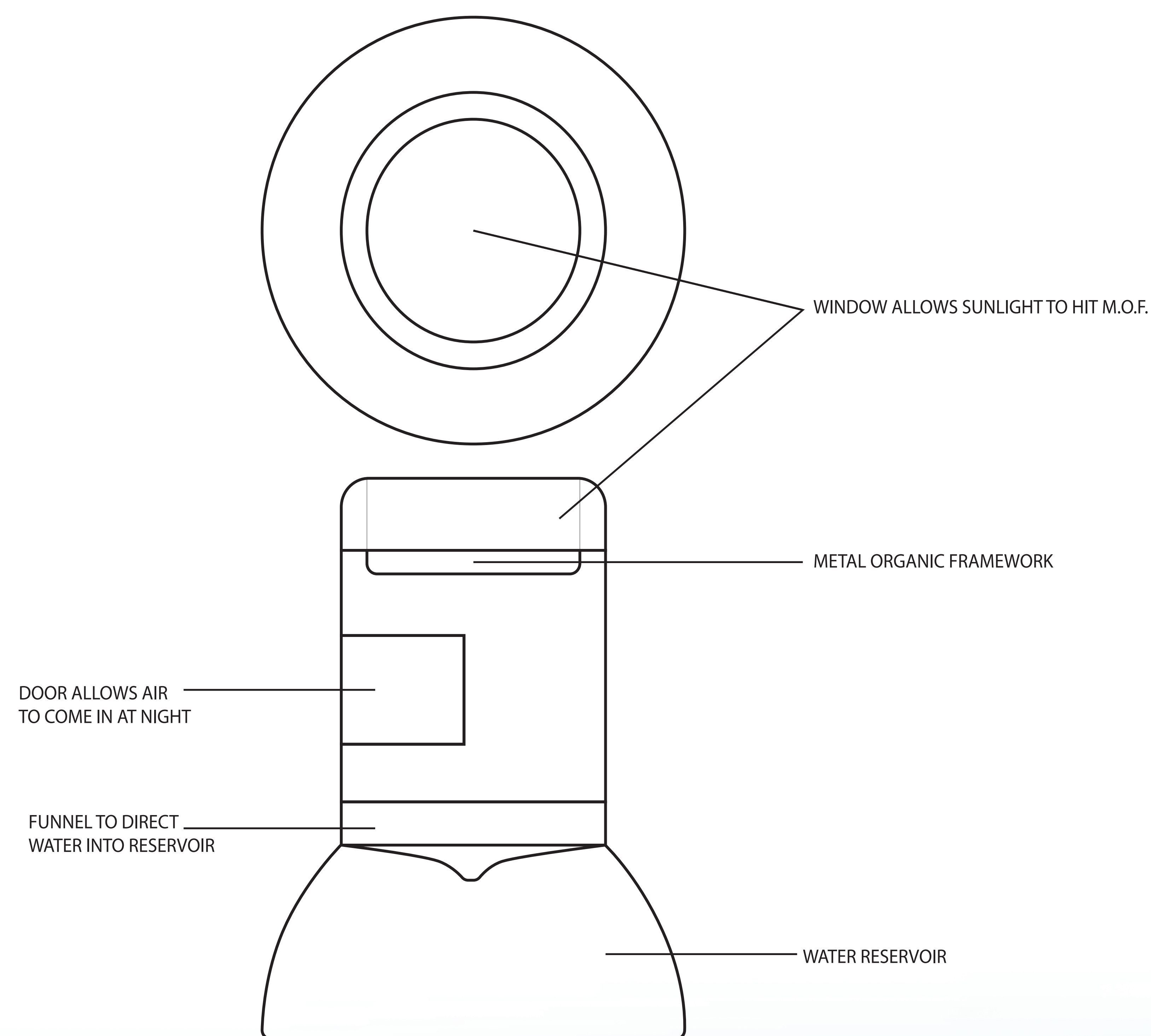
The MOF works when it is exposed to the air overnight, and is in a closed system during the day. Sunlight heats up the MOF during the day and induces condensation in the system. The water can then be directed into a reservoir for collection.

WHAT IS THE TECHNOLOGY?

An MOF is created when metal ions bond with organic compounds in a solvent. A useable, powdery substance is left over when the solvent boils and the liquid evaporates.

THE SOLUTION:

Distributing small scale water-collection units to provide individual families with their own source of drinking water.



"The first problem we face
is getting water..."