



Escuela Rural Mixta Los Pinos

Community: Los Pinos
Municipality: Los Amates
Department: Izabal
Country: Guatemala

Area of focus: Basic Education and Literacy.

Site visits: fall 2015 (Deb and Gord LeMaistre). A meeting was held with the Principal, teachers, members of the parent committee and Rotarians from Los Amatos in the fall of 2015.

Location: The Community is located in the Department of Izabal at KM 219 of the Pan American Hwy on the road to the Atlantic Ocean. The school is a rural school and located approximately 19 km from Los Amates. The people who live in the community are employed in agriculture growing mainly corn and black beans. This is a very poor community with a population of approximately 450 people.

Description: The existing school has one small cement block classroom built a few years ago by the government. There is also a shack with a lean-to built of bamboo and tin roof. The shack has a sheet to divide it into two classrooms. The washroom is an outhouse and there is no kitchen. The school has very few books and desks are in poor shape. This is the only public school in the area.

The School Enrolment for 2015:
45 boys and 36 girls with 5 teachers

The Project Plan: Construction of three new classrooms and boys and girl's washrooms with a septic system. Water for the school is piped in from the mountains.

Estimated Cost: \$47,000 Canadian

Q261,640 or \$34,885 US (Q7.5 = \$1.0 US) (\$1.35 CDN= \$1.0 US)
Cost of the septic system is not included. Cost for septic system is to be determined.

Funding:

Community and teachers will provide unskilled labour.
Municipality's contribution to be determined.

The construction can begin as soon as all funding in place.

Partners: five Rotary Clubs in Saskatoon and possible other Rotary clubs in Central to Northern Saskatchewan and the Rotary Club of Los Amates, Guatemala.



There are 3 existing classrooms in this dirt floored shack.

Students study in a lean-to made of wood posts, rough lumber and tin.



Toilets are pit toilets in a shack with a plastic tarp door.

Donor Packages:

Our goal is to raise \$47,000 CDN to build a school in Los Pinos Guatemala. In appreciation for your donation, you will receive recognition at our dinner on November 3rd 2016 and a certificate of appreciation to display at your office. Every donation is valuable and we appreciate your support of this Ripple Effect project.

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Should you have questions please contact Sarah King, Rotary Club of Saskatoon North 306-222-7280 or sking@sasktel.net

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