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## RIPPLE EFFECT PROGRAM

REPORT TO DISTRICT 5550 WORLD COMMUNITY SERVICE AND DISTRICT 5550 INC.

This Quarterly Report will be an overview of the accomplishments of the Ripple Effect Program beginning  
**April 1, 2020 and ending June 30, 2020**

### 2019/2020 School Projects Progress Report

**In the 2019/2020 Rotary Year, the REP invested over \$335,000 Canadian in education in Guatemala directly benefiting over 5,600 students and teachers.**

School Number & Name	Description	Stage of Completion	Lead/Host /Support Clubs
2.129 GG # 1875249 Water, Sanitation and Hygiene WASH in Schools.	23 school projects in 6 Departments benefiting more than 4,000 students. Budget \$317,750	Completed construction of Yulmuc school in May. Further construction is suspended due to the Covid-19 Pandemic.	RC Moose Jaw Wakamow RC of Nueva Guatemala Support Clubs: RC Estevan, RC Melfort, RC Moose Jaw, RC Weyburn D5550 -DDF 8- US Districts -DDF 9- US Clubs
2.141.1 Hernaldo Beltran Jr. School Phase 1- No.1 and Phase 1- No.2	Remodelling of an existing building to accomodate 5 classrooms and corridor and classroom furniture.	Completed construction of Phase 1.1 and 1.2. Wire transferred funds on June 8 to purchase classroom furniture.	RC Gualan RC Prince Albert Support: RC Prince Albert, RC of Brandon, RC of St. Boniface/St. Vital , RC Saskatoon, Lynda Metcalf, Carol Claypool, RC Bolton, RC Guelph, RC Oakville Trafalgar, RC of Burlington Lakeshore.
2.128 A Goal for Guate II GG # 1862270	20 school computer project, 320 computers, 20 servers, teacher training and tech support. Budget \$99,000 US Benefiting 6,678 students plus 261 teachers.	Project monitoring continues . Final report is due on /or before January 28, 2021.	RC Regina Eastview RC Guatemala Oeste Support: Government of Canada Funding. DDF-D5550 DDF-D4250 FUNSEPA Foundation
2.0.14 Santo Domingo Xenacoj Scholarships	28 Middle school and 15 High School Scholarships. RC of Vista Hermosa -5 High School students.	2020 school year began January 15 <sup>th</sup> . Classes suspended in March due to Covid 19 Pandemic and are still suspended.	RC Moose Jaw Wakamow RC Vista Hermosa Support: RC Moose Jaw Wakamow RC Estavan RC Neepawa RC Winnipeg Downtown RC Sioux Lookout RC Selkirk RC Saskatoon Riverside RC Hudson Bay RC St. Boniface/St. Vital St. Andrews River Heights United Church many Rotarian Donors
2.125.6 Teachers Scholarship Project.	University Valle de Guatemala in Solola. 4 young women are registering for 3 <sup>rd</sup> year. Attend University every Saturday for 11 months/year.	2020 school year begins January 15 <sup>th</sup> Classes suspended in March due to Covid -19 Pandemic. Students continue to take classes on line.	University del Valle de Guate. RC of Kenora Support: D & N Morris, E. Thompson Family, Mary Dyck, RC Winnipeg Assiniboine, RC of Regina Industrial Parks, RC Selkirk Ashley Nordlund. Kim Mowrey

2.137 Casserio Los Pinos GG # 1862925 Simple schools	Three classrooms, furniture, boys and girls' washrooms and biodigester septic system. Budget \$61,000 US	Project is 90% complete. Due to Covid -19 school furniture has not been purchased yet. Final report is due on/or before January 21, 2021.	RC Los Amates RC Saskatoon Meewasin  Support: RC Saskatoon Meewasin RC Saskatoon Riverside RC Saskatoon North, RC Watrous, RC Bolton RC Los Amates D5550 D4250
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## New Projects for 2020/2021

School Number & Name	Description	Status	Lead/Host Club
2.143 Carlos A. Valaquez Kindergarten	Construction of a rear emergency/fire exit at a kindergarten school with 300 children onto a dead-end lane and a security fence at front entrance to protect children from busy street	Construction is still suspended due to Covid-19 pandemic.	RC of Kenora RC of Quetzaltenango  Support: D5550 -WCS grant
2.116.2 Sector Barrios GG #2098184 for Simple School	Construction of three classrooms Cost is \$45,187	GG #2098184 for Simple Schools submitted and authorized on December 28. List of required alterations submitted to TRF at end of April. Waiting for response.	RC Regina Eastview RC Retalhuleu <b>Support:</b> RC Regina Eastview District 5550-DDF RC Retalhuleu District 4250-DDF
2.129 Nuevo San Luis GG # 2096181 for Simple Schools	two classroom and washrooms Cost is \$44,132 US	GG #2096181 for Simple Schools submitted and authorized on Dec. 4 List of required alterations submitted to TRF at beginning of March. Waiting for response.	RC Coatepeque-Colomba RC Saskatoon Riverside <b>Support:</b> RC Saskatoon Riverside RC Saskatoon Meewasin, RC Saskatoon Meewasin, RC Saskatoon Nutana, RC Saskatoon North, RC Coatepeque -Colomba D5550 DDF
2.132 Colpech school GG # 2098204 for Simple Schools	Construction of two classrooms, Principal office, library and washrooms. Cost is 48,198 US	GG # 2098204 for Simple Schools submitted and authorized on December 28. List of required alterations submitted to TRF on June 21. Waiting for response.	RC Kenora RC Huehuetenango  <b>Support:</b> RC Kenora, RC Dryden, RC Gimli RC Huehuetenango District 5550-DDF
2.144 A Goal for Guate III	New global grant proposal.	Pending approval of GG.	RC Regina Eastview RC of Oeste
2.141.2 Hernaldo Beltran Jr. School Phase 1- No.3	Remodelling of a 2nd existing structure to provide 1 classroom, a multi-purpose room with stage.	Construction is expected to start in July on Phase 1.3.	RC Gualan RC Prince Albert Support: RC Moose Jaw Wakamow, RC Estevan, RC Melfort, RC Moose Jaw, RC Weyburn RC of Gimli, RC of Kenora, RC of Dryden
2.138 Roberto Molina School	Construction of three classrooms Cost \$43,000 U.S.	<b>High priority for funding. Plan is to start construction pending funding</b>	RC Quetzaltenango RC Kenora
2.136 Xecoxol	Renovation of bathroom and kitchen.	Not funded	RC Nordeste RC in D5550 to be named

2.141.3 Hernaldo Beltran Jr. School	Construction of new washrooms and refurbishing existing washrooms and septic system. Health and hygiene training.	Not funded	RC Gualan RC to be determined.
2.85.2 El Corcho school	Refurbishing existing washrooms	Construction to start in July	RC Regina Eastview RC Retalhuleu Support D5550-WCS grant
2.142 Barrios El Ponzon	Construction of three classrooms and boys and girls' washrooms	Not funded	RC of Los Amates RC of ?

**The Hernaldo Beltran Jr. School construction is progressing well.**

The re-bar has been installed in the windows and above the walls, the steel doors are in and painted bright blue, and the floor tiles have been installed. Next will come more painting, cleaning, and then the furniture!



**Ripple Effect Scholarship Fund**



The [Ripple Effect Scholarship Fund](#) is administered by Rotary Club of Moose Jaw Wakamow. The Project Manager is Marian Kettlewell of the RC of Moose Jaw Wakamow. School started January 15, 2020 at the Santo Domingo Xenacoj middle and high school. The cost for a middle school scholarship is \$160 Canadian and high school is \$650 Canadian at current exchange rates.

Cost is \$11,000 US per year or \$14,000 Canadian. **Funding is required for the 2021 school year.**

Rotary Clubs, Rotarians and friends are encouraged to support this great program!



**Teacher's Scholarship project** awarded scholarships to four young ladies for the 2019 school year. School started January 15, 2020 at the University del Valle de Guatemala in Solola. The young ladies are in 3<sup>rd</sup> year and expect to graduate in the fall of 2020. Cost is \$4,500 US or \$6,000 Canadian. **Funding is required for the 2<sup>nd</sup> semester of the 2020 school Year.** Rotary Clubs, Rotarians and friends are encouraged to support this program.!!

### **Public Relations/Social Media:**

Ripple Effect Program facebook group – [Ripple Effect Program](#) has 412 members.

Ripple Effect Twitter – “[RotaryRipple](#)” has 1,090 followers.

Canadian Ripple Effect Committee had three “Zoom” Meetings in the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter and 9 meeting in the 2019/2020 Rotary Year.

The Ripple Effect Program video was played at the first virtual District Conference in D5550 and the whole conference was a great success!

### **Covid-19 Pandemic -Update in Guatemala**

The number of confirmed cases now exceeds 22,000 and the number of deaths is 947. Hospitals in Guatemala City are overflowing and on the verge of collapse.

One of the main issues for the people is food security and personnel protective equipment (PPE) for health care workers.

Rotary clubs in Guatemala are focused on providing food to families who have little or no income.

School in Guatemala is not expected to open until January 2021.

Most of the Ripple Effect Program school construction projects have been suspended till further notice.



### **Upcoming Events**

Gord and Deb have postponed their 2020 Project Monitoring trip to Guatemala due to Covid -19 pandemic.

The 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Rotary Motorcycle Ride is planned for August 22 in support of the Rotary District 5550 Ripple Effect Program. The Rotary Club of Regina Eastview is organizing the charity ride. For more information on participating and/or sponsoring a rider please contact PDG Peter Neufeldt.



**The Ripple Effect Program is changing lives and creating hope for a brighter future through education!!**

**From the children of Guatemala:**

**“Thank you for making our Dream a Reality”**

Respectfully Submitted,  
 Gord & Deb LeMaistre  
 Canadian Ripple Effect Committee Executive



**Global Grant # 1875249 - WASH in 23 Schools** led by the Rotary Club of Moose Jaw Wakamow/Rotary Club of Guatemala Nueva

**The Yulmuc School is the first school washroom to be completed.**



**GG # 2098204-Colpech School Building Plan-** lead by RC of Kenora/RC of Huehuetenango



3 toilets

Library

Office

Kindergarten

Grade 5

**GG # 2096181-San Luis School** – lead by RC of Saskatoon Riverside/RC Coatepeque-Colomba-construction of 2 classrooms and washrooms.



**GG # 2096181 -Sector Barrios School** lead by RC of Regina Eastview/RC Retalhuleu- construction of 3 new classrooms.

