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Rotary
Ripple Effect Program



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RIPPLE EFFECT PROGRAM

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

This Quarterly Report is an overview of the accomplishments of the Ripple Effect Program

For the period

July 1, 2022 to September 30, 2022

2022/2023 School Projects Progress Report

School Number & Name	Description	Stage of Completion	Lead/Host /Support Clubs
2.129 GG # 1875249 Water, Sanitation and Hygiene WASH in Schools.	24 school projects in 6 Departments benefiting more than 4,000 students. Budget \$317,750	Construction is completed at 24 schools. Next report is being prepared. Health & Hygiene Training for students, teachers & Parent Committee will be completed in October. Marian & Glenn attended the "Grand Opening" of Chuchuca washrooms, Saturday June 18	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
2.116.2 Sector Barrios GG #2098184 for Simple School	Construction of three classrooms. The GG was amended to include the construction of a kitchen to utilize the surplus funds. Cost is \$45,187	Construction of three classrooms and new kitchen is complete. Status: GG is closed.26/09/22 Congratulations for a job well done!!	RC Regina Eastview RC Retalhuleu Support: RC Regina Eastview District 5550-DDF RC Retalhuleu District 4250-DDF
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 7,000 students plus 261 teachers.	Project monitoring continues. Interim report submitted and accepted 11/03/22. Project monitoring and evaluation continues. Next report due 13/03/23	RC Regina Eastview RC Guatemala Oeste Government of Canada Funding. DDF-D5550 DDF-D4250 FUNSEPA Foundation

2.138.1Dr. Roberto Molina School-Phase 2	construction of one classroom Student Desks, white boards and teacher desk also provided. Cost is \$13,000 US	Construction of the 3rd classroom is complete. Classroom furniture provide by RC of Quetzaltenango	RC Quetzaltenango RC South Eastman Support Clubs: RC of Kenora RC of Prince Albert RC Brandon Plus Individual Rotarians D&G Archer Harold Empey, A Warriner, B.Okwudili, Susan Barclay, B.Morningstar
2.0.14 Santo Domingo Xenacoj Scholarships	28 Middle school and 15 High School Scholarships are provided by the REP for the 2022 school year. RC of Vista Hermosa the host club also provides an additional 5 Scholarships for High School students.	2022 school year opened in February however in class learning did not take place as planned due to Covid. In class learning started at the end of May. A vocational event was held for graduating students in April to help approximately 50 students prepare applications for university. The hope is 3-5 students will be accepted.	RC Moose Jaw Wakamow RC Vista Hermosa Support: Rotary Year 2020/2021 RC Moose Jaw Wakamow RC Portage La Prairie RC Assiniboia RC of Kenora RC of Regina Eastview RC Saskatoon North plus, many Rotarians
2.125.6 Teachers Scholarship Project.	University Valle de Guatemala in Sololá. 3 young women and one young man are registering for 2nd year in 2022. Attend classes every Saturday for 10 months/year.	Students have started the 2 nd semester. Wire transfer of funds will occur the week of September 19 for 2 nd semester tuition fees.	University del Valle de Guate. RC of Winnipeg Assiniboine Support: RC Winnipeg Assiniboine, D & N Morris, E. Thompson Foundation Ashley Nordlund. Kim Mowrey
2.137 Casserio Los Pinos GG # 1862925 Simple schools	Three classrooms, furniture, boy's and girls' washrooms and biodigester septic system. Budget \$61,000 US	Status: next report due 19/07/23. GG is now in compliance	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
2.129 Nuevo San Luis GG # 2096181 for Simple Schools	two classroom and washrooms Cost is \$44,132 US GG was amended to include the construction of a kitchen with the surplus funds.	Construction of two classrooms, washrooms and kitchen is complete Starting to work on final report. (Sept.18) Next report due:2023/03/08	RC Coatepeque-Colomba RC Saskatoon Riverside Support: RC Saskatoon RC Saskatoon Meewasin, RC Saskatoon Nutana, RC Saskatoon North, RC Brandon D5550 DDF

2.141.3 GG #2120729 Hernaldo Beltran Jr. School Phase 3	Construction of new washrooms, wash stations and refurbishing existing washrooms and septic system. Health and hygiene training for over 700 students. Est. cost is \$76,939 US	Construction is 70 % complete. i)The septic tank has been cleaned and refurbished. iv)inside the main two-story washroom building tile is being installed and partitions are going up.	RC Gualan RC Burlington Lakeshore Support Clubs: RC of Kenora D7080 clubs D4250-DDF D7080-DDF D5550-DDF Anonymous Fund Guatemala Carlos F. Novella Foundation
2.132 Colpech GG #2098204 for Simple Schools	Construction of two classrooms, Principal's office, library, and washrooms. Cost is \$48,198 US	Construction is complete. The final report was authorized and submitted on August 22. The final Report was submitted on August 22. After review by TRF, a number of items must be address and more information is required before the grant can be closed. The report status is incomplete.	RC Kenora RC Huehuetenango Support: RC Dryden, RC Gimli D5550-DDF

New Projects for the Rotary Year 2022/2023

School Number & Name	Description	Status	Lead/Host Club
2.147 Official Urban Mixed School Otto Rene Castillo	Construction of two classrooms on the 2 nd level. Cost is \$30,600 US	Need to have an engineer determine if the 1 st level can support the 2 nd level.	RC of Gualan RC of be determined
WASH in Schools GG	WASH in 9 schools project involving 1,400 students. The budget we received subsequently was nearly \$114,000.00 (USD).	The Club's International Service Projects Committee is in the process of drafting a presentation on the project for the Club Directors meeting.	RC of Regina Eastview RC Retalhuleu
2.132.1 Colpech School WCSF Grant	To upgrade electrical and provide classroom security and furniture for the computer classroom. Estimate Cost: \$4,500	Preparing Club to Club agreement.	RC of Kenoa RC of Huehuetenango D5550 WCSF
2.144 A Goal for Guate III GG # 2126029	20 school computer project, 320 computers, 20 servers, teacher training and tech support. Budget \$99,000 US	To the best of our knowledge the Global Grant Application is ready for submission to TRF. We understand from Kenneth Ordonez, RC of Guatemala Oeste, that TRF is not accepting any new application from their Club until TRF has received and approved outstanding identified project reports.	RC Regina Eastview RC of Oeste Support Clubs RC Cloverdale D4250-DDF D5550-DDF Anonymous fund of Guatemala
2.136 Xecoxol School	Construction to refurbished existing washrooms for boys, girls and teachers. Cost estimate is being revised	Romeo, the construction Manager is preparing a revised more affordable budget to refurbished the existing washrooms	RC Nordeste RC to be determined
2.145 Casserio Jolon-Zaj	Construction of three to four classrooms	Pre planning stage.	RC of Huehuetenango RC of Kenora

GG # 2098204 Colpech School -construction of two classrooms, library and washrooms and retaining wall is complete. Health & Hygiene Training for students, teachers and Parent Committee is complete.

Host Partner: Rotary Club of Huehuetenango International Partner: Rotary Club of Kenora
Children playing in new playground – no more dirt or mud!! Children in new classrooms



Hernaldo Beltran Jr School - WASH in Schools Global Grant-70% complete.

Host Club: Rotary Club of Gualan

International Partner: RC Burlington Lakeshore

Inside new washrooms

two-story washrooms



San Luis School Global Grant- construction of two classrooms, washrooms and kitchen.

Host Club: RC Coatepeque – Colomba

Lead Club: RC Saskatoon Riverside





Ripple Effect Scholarship Fund

2019 Photo

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 opened in February, 2022 at the Santo Domingo Xenacoj Middle and High School. In April, the RC of Vista of Vista Hermosa hosted a Vocational day event for graduating students to talk about university courses and how to submit an application. The hope is 3-5 students will attend university next year.

The cost for a middle school scholarship is \$160 Canadian and high school is \$650 Canadian at current exchange rates. Total cost for 28 Middle School and 15 High school scholarships is \$11,000 US per year or \$14,500 Canadian. **Fundraising is ongoing for REP Scholarship recipients for the 2023 school year.** Rotary Clubs, Rotarian's and friends are encouraged to support this great program!



April 2022- Vocational activity for students-how to complete an application for university.

Teacher's Scholarship Project

The Ripple Effect Teachers Scholarship Program is administered by the RC of Winnipeg-Assiniboine. The co-project Managers are John Saunders and Warren Thompson.

Status: Status: Three of the four students are doing very well with averages ranging from 85% to 91%. The fourth student is struggling a bit with a 68% and failed one course. She can take the course again in 1st semester of 2023 at no cost to REP.

All four students are registered for the 2nd semester and the wire transfer for tuition will be sent to the University the week of September 19 to 23.

Total cost for 4 Teacher scholarships is \$4,500 US or \$6,000 Canadian.

Fundraising is ongoing for the Teacher Scholarship recipients for the 2023 School Year.

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



Four students - 2nd semester of 2nd year in 2022

Public Relations/Social Media

Ripple Effect Program Facebook group – [Ripple Effect Program](#) has 441 members

Canadian Ripple Effect Committee had one zoom meetings in the 1st quarter of the Rotary Year and it was a joint meeting on September 7th with CREC/GREC to work on the REP Strategic Plan for the period January 1,2022 to December 31, 2025.

Since Covid-19, Zoom meetings are a new way for Rotary Clubs in D5550 and D4250 in Guatemala to connect, get to know one another, discuss projects and build friendships. These “zoom” meetings help to build goodwill, peace and understanding between our countries.

Canadian Ripple Effect Committee and Guatemalan Ripple Effect Committee will continue to meet quarterly in the 2022/2023 Rotary Year. Our next meeting is November 16. This will be a hybrid meeting with Gord and Deb in Guatemala.

- Rotary Clubs in D5550 who would like to set-up a zoom meeting with a Guatemalan club in D4250. Please let me know, as this can be easily arranged.
- Marian Kettlewell and Glenn Hagel presented in person at the Rotary Club of Estevan in September.

Ripple Effect Program Fundraiser – The 14th Annual Motorcycle Ride Fundraiser

Ripple Effect Motorcycle Ride Fund Raiser July 9, 2022 is a Regina Eastview success story. With a contingent of 8 Bikers, a clear sky, and a passion for “the road”, they raised over \$13,821.00 for the children of Guatemala. The CREC program is delighted with the success of this effort under Peter and Doug’s leadership. A big thank you to the organizers, all the participants, sponsors and Rotarians who donated. The children of Guatemala thank you!!



Donald MacRae Peace Award: Thank you

Deb and I would like to thank the committee who nominated us for the Donald MacRae Peace Award for our work with the District 5550 Ripple Effect Program. To be the successful candidates is a huge honor and surprise. We are very proud of the accomplishments of the Ripple Effect Program.

“We have been privileged to help this initiative Ripple Effect Program significantly impact many communities in Guatemala and help to create hope and peace in the lives of thousands of children. We have a great Team and The Donald MacRae Peace Award is directly related to their support. We are humbled and very proud to be recognized with this most distinguished award.”

Deb & Gord

We would like to thank everyone who has been part of this” amazing” Team

Thank you again for the nomination.

With great appreciation,

Gord and Deb

Covid-19 Level 3 -High -Update in Guatemala on September 17, 2022.

Majority of country is in red, orange and yellow zones. No green zones.

The number of confirmed cases now exceeds 1,114,758 the number of deaths is 19,648.

Recovered: 1,092,521. A spike in the number of cases occurred in July and August and number of cases increased by over 218,000.

Vaccination Update: only 35% of the population is vaccinated.

Guatemala has one of the lowest vaccine rates in Latin America at 35% of a country with over 16.1 million. A lot of indigenous people are not getting vaccinated because they think it will damage their health, kill them or because of what the church told them. Missteps by government and health officials in connecting with the indigenous culture has led to low vaccination rates.

How school classes are delivered depends upon COVID and the "stoplight" which indicates the level of infection per municipality and regions. There are three models: virtual, "hybrid" or blended and actual attendance in the classrooms.

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