

REPORT TO DISTRICT 5550 WORLD COMMUNITY SERVICE AND DISTRICT 5550 INC.
Quarterly Report - an overview of the Ripple Effect Program Accomplishments
For the period January 1, 2025 to March 31, 2025

2024/2025 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 4,498 students. Budget \$317,750	Status: Construction & training has been completed at 24 schools. The surplus funds were used for menstrual hygiene education program in Huehuetenango for 332 students. The training was completed in March. Status: A progress report was submitted 16/11/2024.	RC Moose Jaw Wakamow/RC of Nueva Guatemala Support Clubs: RC Estevan, RC Melfort, RC Moose Jaw, RC Weyburn, D5550, DDF from 8 US Districts, 9 US Clubs
2.0.14 Santo Domingo Xenacoj Scholarships	28 Middle school & 15 High School Scholarships provided by the REP for the 2024 school year. Host club RC of Vista Hermosa also provides an additional 5 Scholarships for High School students. This year the RC of Vista Hermosa will award a University Scholarship for the 1 st time to a deserving student for a three-year undergraduate program.	Status: The school year began in mid-February. Oswaldo is expected to provide a list of students and photos of the scholarship recipients for the 2025 school year soon. The funds will be wire transferred when the budget and list of students is received.	RC Moose Jaw Wakamow/RC Vista Hermosa Support: Rotary Year 2023/2024 RC Dryden RC of Neepawa RC Assiniboia RC of Kenora RC Regina Eastview RC Saskatoon North plus, many Rotarians and friends
2.125.6 Teachers Scholarship Project.	University del Valle de Guatemala in Sololá. 2 young women and one young man are enrolled in 2 nd year.	Status: The school year began in January 2025. Three students have been awarded scholarships. The funds were wire transferred at the end of February.	University del Valle de Guatemala and RC of Winnipeg Assiniboine Support: RC Winnipeg Assiniboine, D & N Morris, E. Thompson Foundation, Ashley Nordlund.
2.144 GG # 2456616 A Goal for Guate III	16 school computer project, 256 computers, 16 servers, teacher training and tech support. Budget \$88,820 US	The great news is that GG #2126029 was approved on December 4 th . The installation of computers and the training of students began in late February 2025.	RC Regina Eastview RC of Oeste Support Clubs RC Bakersfield West RC of Regina Eastview RC of Oeste D4250-DDF D5130-DDF D5550-DDF World Fund TRF
2.148 GG # 2351655 WINS in Schools	Water, sanitation, health and hygiene training in 7 schools. The project will directly benefit approximately 1,400 students. Cost estimate is \$97,570.00 (USD)	Status: The construction and training is complete in four schools. In March, construction started at Sector Aguilar school and then will move to Espana and Tierra Blanca. Construction is expected to be complete in two months and health and hygiene training in July/August.	RC of Regina Eastview RC Retalhuleu Support Clubs: Endowed Directed Gift Fund RC of Saskatoon North RC of Moose Jaw Wakamow RC of Encinitas US RC Retalhuleu RC Regina Eastview D4250 – DDF D5550 - DDF

**The \$100,000 US donation by the Rotary Club of Milwaukee
Has been matched by a \$100,000 US donation
by the Ripple Effect Program
January 1,2024 to December 31,2024**

Five School Construction Projects:

School Number & Name	Description	Status	Lead/Host Club
2.118.2 Otto Rene Castillo School (La Cienega)	Construction of two classrooms. Cost estimate is \$37,000 US.	Status: Construction is 100% complete. The painting of the classrooms by Rotarians and Rotaract members is complete. The classrooms are fully furnished with whiteboards and desks. The Inauguration was in early March. Final financial report is due.	RC of Gualan RC of South Eastman Support Clubs: RC of Milwaukee. RC of Regina Eastview, RC of Burlington North, RC of Gualan, RC of Portage La Prairie, Art Beselt, Jeanne Woolhouse, plus many Rotarians.
2.145 Héctor Barillas Orantes School	The project is the construction of two new classrooms, sealing between the wall and the ceiling in the existing classrooms for pest control (rats and pigeons) and the construction of 46 meters of perimeter wall. Estimated Cost: \$41,000 US	Status: Construction is 100% complete. The interior of the classrooms was painted by Rotarians, Rotaract and Interact members of the club. The classrooms are fully furnished with whiteboards and desks. The project was under budget by \$11,000 US due to all the donations received from local companies. The surplus funds will be used to build and equip a new kitchen. Final financial report is due.	RC of Guatemala Norte RC of Kenora Support Clubs: RC of Milwaukee, RC of Kenora, RC of Guatemala Norte, RC of Dryden, Doug and Gloria Archer Foundation, RC of Brandon, RC of Gimli, RC of Charleswood. Carlos F. Novella Foundation donated 300 bags of cement.
2.147 Cantón Panabaj School	Construction of 4 accessible classrooms and new bathrooms with one fully accessible toilet Estimated cost is \$77,000 US Municipality and community support is providing skilled and unskilled labour and some materials.	Status: Construction of two classrooms equipped with furniture and white boards is complete. Construction is progressing well on the other two classrooms and washrooms.	RC of Vista Hermosa RC St. Boniface/St. Vital Support Clubs: RC of Milwaukee, RC Vista Hermosa, RC of St. Boniface /St. Vital, RC of Saskatoon Nutana, RC of North Bay, RC of Saskatoon North, RC of Kenora
2.143 Los Cedros School	To provide two classrooms with furniture, washrooms, an elevated water tank and metal support structure for water supply to sanitary services, concrete floor, and hand washing station for hygiene and health improvement and new washrooms. Estimated Cost: \$43,500 US	Status; Construction was 100% complete in July 2024. The final financial report is due	RC of Nueva Guatemala RC Moose Jaw Wakamow Support Clubs: RC of Nueva Guatemala, RC of Moose Jaw Wakamow, RC of Milwaukee, RC of Estevan, RC of Melfort, RC of Moose Jaw, RC of Weyburn
2.146 Sector Las Brisas School	Construction of 2 classrooms and a kitchen. Estimated cost: \$53,000US	Status: Construction was 100% complete in the October of 2024. In addition to this, surplus funds were used to build a concrete structure to support a water tank and an upgrade to the water supply pipelines. Final Financial report is due.	RC of Retalhuleu RC of Regina Eastview Support Clubs: RC of Milwaukee, RC of Retalhuleu, RC of Regina Eastview

Five school construction projects(continued)

Los Brisas School Construction - construction of two new classrooms and a kitchen.

Cost Estimate: \$53,000 US

Construction was completed under budget. The surplus funds are being used to build a concrete structure to support a water tank and upgrade the water supply pipeline.

Host Club: Rotary Club of Retalhuleu **International Club:** Rotary Club of Regina Eastview

Two new classrooms

new kitchen

inside new classroom



Otto Rene Castillo Construction- construction of two classrooms (2nd level).

Estimated Cost \$37,000 US

The RC of South Eastman has provided the funding for classroom furniture which will be delivered before the 1st day of school on February 14

Status: Construction is 100% complete and the classrooms are fully furnished with whiteboards, teacher and student desks and lockers for the teachers funded by the RC of South Eastman.

Host Club: Rotary Club of Gualan **International Club:** RC of South Eastman



Hector Barillas Orantes School-construction of two classrooms and refurbishing existing classrooms and perimeter wall. Estimated Cost: \$41,000 US

Status: Construction is 100% complete and the classrooms are fully furnished with desks and whiteboards.

Host Club: Rotary Club of Guatemala Norte **International Club:** Rotary Club of Kenora



Canton Panabaj School is located in the community of Canton Panabaj, Municipality of SANTIAGO ATITLÁN in the Department of SOLOLÁ

Description of Project: The project is the construction of four accessible new classrooms and new washrooms with one fully accessible toilet and wash stations and health and hygiene training.

Status: two of the four classrooms are 100% complete and fully furnished with white boards and desks. The construction of the other two classrooms and washrooms are progressing well. It is estimated the project will be complete in two months.

Host Club: Rotary Club of Vista Hermosa.

International Club: Rotary Club of St. Boniface/St. Vital

Cost estimate is \$98,000 US. The municipality and community have committed to provide the skilled and unskilled labour and some materials for an approximate value of \$27,000 US.



Los Cedros School Construction -construction of two new classrooms with desks, white boards, washrooms, wash stations and a water tower.

Host Club: Rotary Club of Nueva Guatemala

International Club: RC of Moose JawWakamow

Cost Estimate: \$41,000 US

Status:The construction of two new classrooms, new and refurbished washrooms with water tank, new wash stations and roof over the stage and playground area was completed in July 2024. This was the 1st school to be completed in \$100,000US match with the RC of Milwaukee, RC of vista Hermosa and Ripple Effect Program

New Projects 2024/2025

School Number and Name	Description	Status	Lead/Host-support clubs
Nueva Esperanza	Construction of two classrooms	School visit 2024 Planning stage No funding	RC of Gualan To be determined
Las Carretas School	Drill a well and provide a water purification system and 2 level building for equipment. Cost Estimate is \$14,000 US.	School visit 2024 Planning stage No funding	RC of Gualan To be determined
Varones school	Roof over playground	School visit 2024 Planning stage No funding	RC of Gualan To be determined
Barrios El Ponzon	Construction of three classrooms	School visit 2019 Planning stage No funding	RC of Los Amates To be determined
Dr.Roberto Molina	Roof over playground Estimated REP cost \$32,000 US	School visit 2024 Planning stage No funding	RC of Quetzaltenango To be determined
San Isidro Robles	Replace submersible pump in well Refurbish washrooms Ensure community sewer to school is repaired before school opens in January 2025.	Club to replace submersible pump.	RC of Coatepeque To be determined
A Gol for Guate I and II	-FUNSEPA to prepare a budget to upgrade/repair computers and re-training/training to teachers in approximately 35 schools. The goal is to have all the computers working and teachers trained in early 2025.	Planning stage No funding	To be determined
New school to be proposed by President.	Construction of two classrooms.	Planning stage No funding	RC of Quetzaltenango To be determined

Ripple Effect Scholarship Program



School marimba band



Mothers preparing lunch for us on our school visit in November

The Ripple Effect Scholarship Fund is administered by the RC of Moose Jaw Wakamow. The Project Manager is Marian Kettlewell of the RC of Moose Jaw Wakamow.

Status: The 2025 school year started in mid-February. The RC of Vista Hermosa will provide a list of names and photos of the scholarship recipients for the 2025 school year soon.

The cost for a middle school scholarship is \$160 Canadian and the high school cost is \$650 Canadian at current exchange rates. The total cost for 28 Middle School and 15 High School scholarships is \$16,000 Canadian.

Fundraising is ongoing for REP Scholarship recipients for the 2025 school year.

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

Teacher's Scholarship Program

The Ripple Effect Teachers Scholarship Program is administered by the Rotary Club of Winnipeg-Assiniboine. The Project Manager is DGN Warren Thompson.

Status: The school year started in mid-January 2025. The three students are registered in 2nd year majoring in Music however one of the students is completing a few 1st year courses as well.

The total cost for 3 Teacher Scholarships is \$3,300 US or approximately \$4,800 Canadian.

Fundraising is ongoing for the Teacher Scholarship recipients for the 2025 School Year.

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

University of Valle del Guatemala (UVG) 2025 Scholarship Program

REP Project Monitoring Team



2025 Scholarship Recipients



Erick Gudiel Xocop
Major: Music



Santos Cristina Vesques Choror
Major: Music



Catarina Nohemi Perez
Major: Music

Public Relations/Social Media

Ripple Effect Program Facebook group – Ripple Effect Program has 511 followers.

The Canadian Ripple Effect Committee (CREC) met once in the 3rd quarter a zoom meeting on February 5th and one CREC/GREC zoom meeting on March 5th. Also, the RC of Moose Jaw Wakamow members met with sister club members of the RC of Nueva Guatemala on March 24 to celebrate the completion of their 24 school WASH Global Grant. This historic meeting

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the first such meeting between all club members of both clubs in D4250 and D5550. This is the largest Global Grant ever in our District at over \$317,000 US directly benefitting almost 5,000 students.

Members of the Canadian Ripple Effect Committee welcome all opportunities to do a presentation at your club.

Please contact any committee member to set up a date and time for your presentation. We have a lot good news stories to share with you.

Rotary Clubs in D5550 who would like to set-up a zoom meeting with a Guatemalan club in D4250. Please e-mail glemaistre1@hotmail.com

The highlight of the Project Monitoring trip is meeting is meeting the beautiful children and being entertained with their wonderful dancing, singing and musical talents.





Respectfully Submitted,

Co-Chairs, Gord & Deb LeMaistre, on behalf of the Canadian Ripple Effect Committee.