

REPORT TO DISTRICT 5550 WORLD COMMUNITY SERVICE AND DISTRICT 5550 INC.
Quarterly Report - an overview of the Ripple Effect Program Accomplishments
 For the period July 1, 2025 to September 30, 2025

2025/2026 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 and is progressing well. The school year ends in mid- October.	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. Majoring in Music.	Status: The three students passed their first semester with two of the student's averages exceeding 90%. The 2 nd semester began in July and will end in November.	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	Status: As of early August, 240 computers plus 15 servers have been installed in 15 schools. The last school's computers and server will be installed by the end of August 2025. Teacher training is complete in 11 schools and the remaining 4 schools is scheduled by September 15, and training in the remaining school will occur by the end of September.	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 WASH in Schools	Provide infra structure improvements to washrooms in 7 schools as well as water, sanitation, health and hygiene training to the students. The project will directly benefit approximately 1,400 students. Cost estimate is \$97,570.00 (USD)	Status: The construction/refurbishing of washrooms was completed in all 7 schools at the end of June. Initial wash training for staff & students will be completed at the end of August. The final evaluation and retraining of teachers & students in schools renovated in 2025 will be completed this fall or early in 2026. The Interim report was submitted and accepted by TRF on September 17.	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. Final financial report has been submitted and accepted by the RC of Milwaukee.	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, providing classroom furniture for the students and teachers and a kitchen. Estimated Cost: \$41,000 US	Status: Construction is 100% complete. The project was under budget by \$11,000 US due to all the donations received from local companies and a big donation of cement from the Carlos F. Novella Foundation. The refurbished and equipped new kitchen is complete. The final report has been submitted and accepted by the RC of Milwaukee.	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 80% complete 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 is 100% complete The final financial report is approved and accepted by the RC of Milwaukee.	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, a kitchen and a concrete structure to support a water tank as well as upgrading the water supply pipelines. Estimated cost: \$53,000US	Status: Construction is 100% complete. Community and local Government support were provided to complete an improved water supply and delivery system to the school's washroom and kitchen facilities, which included the construction of a water tank tower. We expect a Final Report shortly.	RC of Retalhuleu RC of Regina Eastview Support Clubs: RC of Milwaukee, RC of Retalhuleu, RC of Regina Eastview

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 new classrooms and a 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 80% complete. (see photo below). 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.

Two classrooms are 80% complete



WASH in 7 SCHOOLS GG 2235050

Host Club: RC Retalhuleu

International Club: RC of Regina Eastview and significant partners RC of Saskatoon North and RC of Moose Jaw Wakamow

Pajales school

Sector Barrios

El Corcho Sur



A Goal For Guate III Global Grant 2126029

Host Club: RC Guatemala Oeste

International Club: RC Regina Eastview and significant partners RC Bakersfield West (USA), RC of Healdsburg (USA):

Description: The project is equipping 16 school computer classrooms at 16 schools with 256 computers and 16 servers as well as teacher and student training and tech support.

Cost estimate: \$88,820 US

Status: To date 240 computers and 15 servers have been installed in 15 schools. Teacher and student training is complete in 11 schools and is expected to be completed in the remaining schools by the end of September or early October.



Student enjoying his computer class



computer classroom

New Projects 2025/2026

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 washroom	RC Club of Coatepeque to replace submersible pump.	RC of Coatepeque 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 Program 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 and is progressing well. 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 2026 school year. Rotary & Interact Clubs, Rotarians and friends are encouraged to support this great program!

University of Valle del Guatemala (UVG) 2025 Scholarship Program

The Ripple Effect Teachers Scholarship Program is administered by the Rotary Club of Winnipeg-Assiniboine. The Project Managers are DGE Warren Thompson and Grant Buchanan.

Status: 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 2nd semester classes started in July. All the students passed the first semester with two of the students doing very well with an average of over 90%!!

The total cost for 3 Teacher Scholarships is \$3,300 US or approximately \$4,650 Canadian.

Fundraising is ongoing for the Teacher Scholarship recipients for the 2026 School Year which starts in January 2026.

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

2025 Scholarship Recipients



Erick Gudiel Xocop
Major: Music
1st semester 91.20%



Santos Cristina Vesques Choror
Major: Music
1st semester 91.60%



Catarina Nohemi Perez
Major: Music
1st semester 60.60%

Public Relations/Social Media

Ripple Effect Program Facebook group – Ripple Effect Program has 517 followers.

The Canadian Ripple Effect Committee (CREC) met once in the 1st quarter and CREC/GREC also met once on the REP Strategic Plan zoom meetings in

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





Respectfully Submitted,

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