



REPORT SUMMARY TO DISTRICT 5550 WORLD COMMUNITY SERVICE & DISTRICT 5550 INC.

Quarterly Overview – Ripple Effect Program

Period: July 1, 2025 – September 30, 2025

School Projects & Global Grants

- **WASH in Schools (GG #1875249)** – 24 projects in 6 departments, benefiting **4,498 students**. Budget \$317,750. Completed with surplus funding menstrual hygiene education for 332 students in Huehuetenango.
- **Scholarships – Santo Domingo Xenacoj** – 28 middle school & 15 high school scholarships (plus 5 more from RC Vista Hermosa). First university scholarship launched.
- **Teacher Scholarships – Univ. del Valle de Guatemala** – 3 students (Music majors). Two achieved >90% averages. Semester ends November 2025.
- **Goal for Guate III (GG #2456616)** – 16 schools equipped with **256 computers & 16 servers**. Teacher training nearly complete. Budget \$88,820 USD.
- **WASH in 7 Schools (GG #2351655)** – Washrooms completed in 7 schools for **1,400 students**. Initial training completed; retraining planned for fall/winter.

School Construction (Funded by RC Milwaukee & Ripple Effect Program – \$200,000 USD)

- **Otto Rene Castillo School** – 2 classrooms, complete.
- **Héctor Barillas Orantes School** – 2 classrooms, kitchen, furniture; under budget by \$11,000. Complete.
- **Cantón Panabaj School** – 4 classrooms + washrooms (incl. accessible). 2 finished; remainder 80% complete. Est. completion late 2025.
- **Los Cedros School** – 2 classrooms, washrooms, water system. Complete.
- **Sector Las Brisas School** – 2 classrooms, kitchen, water system. Complete.

Upcoming Projects (2025/2026 Planning Stage – Funding Needed)

- Nueva Esperanza (2 classrooms)
- Las Carretas (well, purification system, building) – Est. \$14,000 USD
- Varones (roof over playground)
- Barrios El Ponzon (3 classrooms)
- Dr. Roberto Molina (roof over playground) – Est. \$32,000 USD
- San Isidro Robles (pump & washroom refurbish)
- New school (2 classrooms)

Scholarship Programs

- **Ripple Effect Scholarships** – 28 middle school & 15 high school students supported in 2025. Annual cost approx. \$16,000 CAD. Fundraising underway for 2026.
- **Teacher Scholarships (UVG)** – 3 music students entering 2nd year. Annual cost approx. \$4,650 CAD. Fundraising underway for 2026.

Public Relations & Engagement

- Facebook group: **517 followers**.
- Canadian Ripple Effect Committee met once in Q1; also joint strategic planning session with GREC.
- Clubs are encouraged to invite CREC for presentations and to connect via Zoom with Guatemalan clubs.

Respectfully Submitted,

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