

Basic Information

Grant title

Fruit Tree Nursery for La Paz, Honduras

Type of Project**Humanitarian Project**

Address community needs and produce sustainable, measurable outcomes

Primary Contacts

Name	Club	District	Sponsor	Role
Carlos Zelaya	La Paz	4250	Rotary Club	Host
Irma Cole	Lakeland	6890	Rotary Club	International

Committee Members

Host committee

Name	Club	District	Role
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International committee

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Do any of these committee members have potential conflicts of interest?

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For each Rotary member who serves on the grant committee, list all relationships that the member has with any scholarship recipients, cooperating organizations, project vendors, or other individuals or organizations that will benefit from the grant.

N/A

Next, list all relationships that district officers and other members of the sponsor clubs or

districts (other than the members of the grant committee) have with any award recipients, cooperating organizations, project vendors, or other individuals or organizations that would benefit from the grant.

N/A

Project Overview

Tell us a little about your project. What are the main objectives of the project, and who will benefit from it?

Honduras faces significant environmental challenges, including rampant deforestation, soil degradation, food insecurity, and increased flooding risks due to climate change and unsustainable land practices. This project aims to establish a fruit tree nursery in La Paz, Honduras, as a strategic solution to these pressing issues. The nursery will cultivate and distribute fruit-bearing trees to be planted in deforested areas, providing dual benefits: ecological restoration and increased access to nutritious food for local communities. The project will directly benefit farmers, rural families, and indigenous communities by promoting agroforestry techniques that enhance both environmental resilience and food sovereignty.

Areas of Focus

Which area of focus will this project support?

Environment

Measuring Success

Environment

Which goals of this area of focus will your project support?

Supporting agroecology and sustainable agriculture, fishing, and aquaculture practices; Using education and social outreach to promote pro-environmental behaviors; Implementing responsible land use tools for environmental protection;

How will you measure your project's impact? Find tips and information on how to measure results in [the Global Grant Monitoring and Evaluation Plan Supplement](#). You need to include at least one standardized measure from the drop-down menu as part of your application.

Measure	Collection Method	Frequency	Beneficiaries
Total number of direct beneficiaries	Direct observation	Every week	100-499

Do you know who will collect information for monitoring and evaluation?

Yes

Name of Individual or Organization

Honduras Compassion Partners

Briefly explain why this person or organization is qualified for this task.

Location and Dates

Humanitarian Project

Where will your project take place?

City or town

La Paz

Province or state

La Paz

Country

Honduras

When will your project take place?

2025-10-01 to 2027-10-01

Participants

Cooperating Organizations (Optional)

Name	Website	Location
Honduras Compassion Partners	https://www.hondurascompassion.org/partners/	PO Box 177 Huntingtown United States

Supporting Documents

Do any committee members have a potential conflict of interest related to a cooperating organization?

No

Why did you choose to partner with this organization and what will its role be?

Partners (Optional)

List any other partners that will participate in this project.

Rotarian Participants

Describe the roles and responsibilities that the host and international sponsors will have in this project. Please be specific. Which sponsor will receive and manage the grant funds?

Describe how the partnership between the host and international sponsors was formed. What agreement have the sponsors made toward ensuring that the project will be implemented successfully? How will they manage any challenges that arise throughout the project?

Budget

What local currency are you using in your project's budget?

The currency you select should be what you use for a majority of the project's expenses.

Local Currency

USD

U.S. dollar (USD) exchange rate

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Currency Set On

03/04/2025

What is the budget for this grant?

List each item in your project's budget. Remember that the project's total budget must equal its total funding, which will be calculated in step 9. Project budgets, including the World Fund match, must be at least 30,000 USD.

#	Category	Description	Supplier	Cost in USD	Cost in USD
1	Equipment	Nursery Infrastructure	Local	20000	20000
2	Supplies	Seedling and materials	Local	15000	15000
3	Training	Training and educational programs	Local	10000	10000
4	Operations	Labor and Operational	HCP	15000	15000
5	Monitoring/evaluation	Monitoring and Assessment	Club Rotario La Paz	5000	5000
6	Signage	Signs of the Project	Club Rotario La Paz	1000	1000
Total budget:				66000	66000

Funding

Tell us about the funding you've secured for your project. We'll use the information you enter here to calculate your maximum possible funding match from the World Fund.

#	Source	Details	Amount (USD)	Support*	Total
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*Whenever cash is contributed to the Foundation to help fund a global grant project, an additional 5 percent is applied to help cover the cost of processing these funds. Clubs and districts can receive Paul Harris Fellow recognition points for the additional expense.

How much World Fund money would you like to use on this project?

You may request up to 0.00 USD from the World Fund.

Funding Summary

Total funding:

Total budget:

66,000.00

Sustainability

Humanitarian Projects

Project planning

Describe the community needs that your project will address.

The project aims to address several critical challenges in La Paz, Honduras, including:

Deforestation: Widespread tree loss has led to soil erosion, climate instability, and biodiversity loss.

Soil Degradation: The region's mountainous terrain makes it vulnerable to erosion and poor agricultural productivity.

Food Insecurity: Approximately 38% of Hondurans experience food insecurity, especially in rural areas.

Flooding Risks: The lack of tree cover increases the frequency of landslides and river sedimentation, affecting local infrastructure.

How did your project team identify these needs?

The needs were identified based on:

Environmental data showing high deforestation rates and the impact of climate change.

Community observations regarding declining agricultural yields and worsening floods.

Food security reports highlighting the high dependence on subsistence farming and the lack of alternative food sources.

How were members of the benefiting community involved in finding solutions?

Local farmers, students, and municipal authorities participated in discussions and workshops to define the best approach. They contributed insights on traditional agroforestry techniques, land availability, and preferred fruit tree species.

How were community members involved in planning the project?

Adult High School Manos Amigas Para Bendecir is providing student labor and educational support.

Mayor's Office of La Paz is assisting with logistics and mobilizing community members.

Honduras Compassion Partners is ensuring long-term sustainability and land access.

Project implementation

Summarize each step of your project's implementation.

Do not include sensitive personal data, such as government ID numbers, religion, race, health information, etc. If you include personal data, you are responsible for informing those whose personal data is included that you are providing it to Rotary and that it will be processed in accordance with Rotary's [Privacy Policy](#).

#	Activity	Duration
1	Nursery Establishment: Land selection, infrastructure setup, irrigation installation, seed sourcing	6 month
2	Community Training: Workshops on soil conservation, tree planting, and sustainable land management	4 month
3	Tree Distribution and Planting: Supplying and planting fruit tree seedlings in targeted areas	6 month
4	Monitoring and Expansion: Assessing survival rates, providing technical support, and planning future expansions	8 month

Will you work in coordination with any related initiatives in the community?

Yes

Briefly describe the other initiatives and how they relate to this project.

The project aligns with existing environmental and agricultural programs in La Paz, involving local government and non-profits.

Please describe the training, community outreach, or educational programs this project will include.

Workshops for farmers and students on sustainable agroforestry and climate adaptation.

Public awareness campaigns about the benefits of reforestation.

Training sessions on nursery management and fruit tree care.

How were these needs identified?

The project's approach was informed by:

Research on environmental and agricultural challenges.

Surveys and discussions with farmers and local stakeholders.

Consultation with local authorities and conservation organizations.

What incentives (for example, monetary compensation, awards, certification, or publicity), will you use, if any, to encourage community members to participate in the project?

Certification programs for trained participants.

Potential future income from fruit production.

Community recognition and media coverage.

List any community members or community groups that will oversee the continuation of the project after grant-funded activities conclude.

Local farmers' groups will monitor tree growth and maintenance.

Students and teachers from Manos Amigas Para Bendecir will support ongoing training.

Municipal authorities will provide oversight and logistical support.

Budget

Will you purchase budget items from local vendors?

Yes

Explain the process you used to select vendors.

The project prioritizes local suppliers to support the regional economy.

Did you use competitive bidding to select vendors?

Yes

Please provide an operations and maintenance plan for the equipment or materials you anticipate purchasing for this project. This plan should include who will operate and maintain the equipment and how they will be trained.

Community members trained in tree nursery management.

Farmers provided with technical support for tree care and soil management.

Local suppliers available for replacement parts and materials.

Describe how community members will maintain the equipment after grant-funded activities conclude. Will replacement parts be available?

If the grant will be used to purchase any equipment, will the equipment be culturally appropriate and conform to the community's technology standards?

Yes

Please explain.

After the project is completed, who will own the items purchased by grant funds? No items may be owned by a Rotary district, club, or member.

All purchased materials and equipment will remain community-owned, ensuring long-term benefits.

Funding

Does your project involve microcredit activities?

Have you found a local funding source to sustain project outcomes for the long term?

Yes

Please describe this funding source.

Will any part of the project generate income for ongoing project funding? If yes, please explain.

No

Authorizations

Authorizations & Legal Agreements

Legal agreement

Global Grant Agreement - to be authorized by the primary contacts and club presidents (or DRFC chairs if district-sponsored)

This Global Grant Agreement (Agreement) is entered into by The Rotary Foundation of Rotary International (TRF) and the grant sponsors (Sponsors). In consideration of receiving this Rotary Foundation Global Grant (Grant) from TRF, the Sponsors agree that:

1. All information contained in this application is, to the best of our knowledge, true and accurate.
2. We have read the Terms and Conditions for Rotary Foundation Global Grants (Terms and Conditions) and will adhere to all policies therein.
3. The Sponsors shall defend, indemnify, and hold harmless Rotary International (RI) and TRF, including their respective directors, trustees, officers, committee members, employees, agents, associate foundations and representatives (collectively Rotary), from and against all claims, including but not limited to claims of subrogation, demands, actions, damages, losses, costs, liabilities, expenses (including reasonable attorney's fees and other legal expenses), awards, judgments, and fines asserted against or recovered from Rotary arising out of any act, conduct, omission, negligence, misconduct, or unlawful act (or act contrary to any applicable governmental order or regulation) resulting directly or indirectly from a Sponsor's and/or participant's involvement in grant-funded activities, including all travel related to the grant.
4. The failure of the parties to comply with the terms of this Agreement due to an act of God, strike, government regulation, war, fire, riot, civil unrest, hurricane, earthquake, or other natural disasters, acts of public enemies, curtailment of transportation facilities, political upheavals, civil disorders, outbreak of infectious disease or illness, acts of terrorism, or any similar cause beyond the control of the parties shall not be deemed a breach of this Agreement. In such an event, the Agreement shall be deemed terminated and the Sponsors shall refund to TRF all unexpended global grant funds within 30 days of termination.
5. TRF's entire responsibility is expressly limited to payment of the total financing amount. TRF does not assume any further responsibility in connection with this grant.
6. TRF reserves the right to cancel the grant and/or this Agreement without notice upon the failure of either or both of the Sponsors to abide by the terms set forth in this Agreement and the Terms and Conditions. Upon cancellation, TRF shall be entitled to a refund from the Sponsors of any global grant funds, including any interest earned, that have not been expended.
7. The laws of the State of Illinois, USA, without reference to its conflicts of laws principles, shall govern all matters arising out of or relating to this Agreement, including, without limitation, its interpretation, construction, performance, and enforcement.
8. Any legal action brought by either party against the other party arising out of or relating to this Agreement must be brought in either, the Circuit Court of Cook County, State of Illinois, USA or the Federal District Court for the Northern District of Illinois, USA. Each party consents to the exclusive jurisdiction of these courts, and their respective appellate courts for the purpose of such actions. Nothing herein prohibits a party that obtains a judgment in either of the designated courts from enforcing the judgment in any other court. Notwithstanding the foregoing, TRF may also bring legal action against Sponsors and/or individuals traveling on grant funds in any court with jurisdiction over them.
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District Rotary Foundation chair authorization

I hereby certify that this global grant application is complete, meets all Foundation guidelines, is eligible for funding, and that the sponsoring club and/or district is qualified.

All Authorizations & Legal Agreements Summary

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Irma Cole	Lakeland [Rotary Club]	6890	

District Rotary Foundation chair authorization

Name	Club	District	Status
José Interiano Torre	Usula [Rotary Club]	4250	
Edward Odom	FishHawk- Riverview [Rotary Club]	6890	

DDF authorization

Name	Club	District	Status
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Legal agreement

Name	Club	District	Status
Marsha Leap	Lakeland [Rotary Club]	6890	
Leila Valladares Suazo	La Paz [Rotary Club]	4250	