



SERVE TO CHANGE LIVES
District Grant Final Report
2021-2022

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District Grant # P-3706

Rotary Club: **Greeley Centennial**

Project Title: **Honduras Hurricane Recovery**

Project Description:

1. **Is this a scholarship governor's grant report?** Yes No (If yes, go directly to line 16)
2. **Briefly describe the project.** What was done and where did the project activities take place? Explain how the beneficiaries and other community members were involved?

Application Narrative: The 2020 Atlantic hurricane season has been among the worst in recent history, recording 30 named tropical storms and hurricanes. On November 5, Hurricane Eta, a Category 4 hurricane, made landfall near Tela, Honduras. The area received 24 inches of precipitation in under 24 hours. It is the third-most intense November hurricane on record, just behind Hurricane Iota, a Category 5 hurricane, which made landfall on November 16, 2020, putting most of the country under water. Recovery efforts will be widespread, and the needs are great. The Greeley Centennial Rotary Club already helped fund the shipment of 5 large boxes of emergency and medical supplies to the Tela, Honduras region.

In the last five years, Dos Rios Elementary, a Greeley-Evans school, has been providing three schools in Honduras with supplies for students and teachers. Dos Rios teachers, in collaboration with numerous Colorado Rotary Clubs have provided support to the Tela, Honduras rural schools community within the Lancetilla Botanical Garden. This previous work has included the construction of a middle school addition, providing electricity and solar energy, repairing plumbing, making significant roofing repairs on four buildings, providing clean stoves and school uniforms, and the construction of a vocational technology and sewing center within the botanical gardens. These projects were made possible through funds provided by members of the Greeley Centennial Rotary, Craig Rotary and the Greeley After

Hours Rotary Clubs, and Simple Suppers for Kids in Desperate Situations (SSKIDS). The Josefa Lastiri Morazan School is located adjacent to the botanical garden. This school serves 60 students grades K-5 and 45 secondary students grades 6-9 on weekends. The second school is Escuela Lempira, located about a 30-minute hike from the botanical garden. This school serves 45 students grades K-5. The third school in our project is Escuela Jose Trinidad Cabañas located about 25 minutes from the botanical garden. This school serves 45 students grades K-5. Needless to say, we have made a significant contribution to the communities within the botanical garden valley.

In order to help the smaller, rural communities within the Lancetilla Botanical Garden area (now part of the Escuela Nacional de Ciencias Forestales), and to provide access for other hurricane relief efforts, much work is needed with clean-up efforts. This grant will provide resources for tools, equipment, and local labor to remove debris and make essential repairs to roadways, providing access to the schools and infrastructure within the botanical garden (see attached budget). During a service trip in 2019, members of the Greeley Centennial Rotary met with members of the Tela, Honduras Rotary Club. Our club will coordinate with members of the Tela club to encourage our ongoing relationship and to ensure these dollars fulfill its intended purpose.

- 3. How many Rotarians participated in this project?** Due to Covid-19 concerns and ongoing political uneasiness, no travel occurred to Honduras by our Rotary membership during 2021. Two members of our club worked closely with our contacts in Honduras to ensure that the grant funds were delivered and put to use quickly to help with the hurricane relief efforts.
- 4. What did they do? Please give at least two examples.**

We coordinated communication and oversight of the funds being spent and worked with our Honduras partners to ensure the funds were spent with fidelity. At the conclusion of the project, the club members worked to secure documentation (pictures and invoices) of how the funds were spent.

- 5. How many non-Rotarians benefited from this project?**

There are approximately 500 families that live in the rural areas within the Lancetilla Botanical Gardens who needed immediate relief with clearing roads to be able to have access to additional international support and aid in the aftermath of the hurricane.

- 6. Who are the beneficiaries and what is the expected long-term community impact of this project?**

The beneficiaries of this project include numerous families who work within the botanical gardens, many of whom make their living selling fruit and other agricultural products along the roadside outside of the botanical gardens. Additionally, the children of these families needed cleared roads to be able to return to school once recovery operations had progressed. Others working within the nearby community of Tela needed clear roads to be able to get to work or have access to food, fuel, and health care. In the long term, providing access to the community of Tela enabled these families to connect with others, have access to critical resources, and begin to return to a more common way of life.

- 7. If a cooperating organization was involved, what was their role?**

The Lancetilla Botanical Gardens (Josefa Lastiri de Morazán) administration and employees helped to organize recovery efforts and the logistics of locating tools, equipment, and labor to clear roads and fill in washed out areas to provide access to additional aid operations.

8. Income:

Income Source	Amount
Greeley Centennial Rotary Match	\$1,035.00
District 5440 Match	\$1,000.00
Total Project Income	\$2,035.00

9. Expenditures: (number receipts starting with 1 and indicate a receipt # (s) for each expenditure) (Do not include travel expenses)

Item #	Date	Description	Total
1.	11-15-2021	Lancetilla Botanical Garden Invoice (approximate)	\$1,968.52
2.	03-04-2021	Greeley Centennial Rotary Wired Funds Receipt	\$2,035.00
Total Project Expenditures			\$2,003.52

10. Please explain any variance of more than 5% between the budgeted amount and the actual amount including the reason for the variance and why the alternative was chosen.

N/A

11. Project score (5=strongly, 4=agree, 3= neutral, 2=disagree, 1=strongly disagree)

	Project Score	Comments
The overall project was successful	4	Completed with positive results.
The grant process worked well	5	
My interaction with partner clubs was good	3	
We achieved the results we expected	4	The project was beneficial to the people in the Lancetilla Botanical Gardens and Tela, Honduras area.

12. Did you upload photos in your project on matchinggrants.org under the Photos tab? Yes

13. What worked well on this project and why?

Ultimately, the project was successful as it supported the immediate needs of the local community to ensure access to life-saving resources, such as food and medical care. Having a previous relationship with the leadership and staff at the botanical gardens and Josefa Lastiri de Morazán was helpful in being able

to send financial support and ensuring that the dollars were spent with their intended purpose. Having a trusted relationship with our Honduran contact allowed us to send these funds with confidence.

14. What did not work well and how would you suggest improving it?

The hurricane relief and recovery efforts were compounded by the Covid-19 pandemic. Getting the funds wired and securing financial documentation from the Lancetilla Botanical Gardens also took time. This was compounded by lack of resources and difficulty with communication. We hope to make another service trip to Honduras later in 2022 and will continue to work on communication and relationships with our contacts at the botanical gardens.

15. How was this project publicized?

Two presentations were made with our Greeley Centennial Rotary club in addition to school contacts with Weld County School District Six for relief efforts, collecting supplies to ship to Honduras as well. Our ongoing projects in support of the schools and people within the Lancetilla Botanical Gardens have been spotlighted locally through the Greeley Tribune: <https://www.greeleytribune.com/2018/09/23/terry-frei-greeleys-dos-rios-elementary-and-rotary-clubs-pitch-in-pennies-and-dollars-for-honduras-schools/>.

16. Scholarship Governor’s grant only N/A

Project Inventory

Please list all items provided in this grant that are over \$500 in value and are not expendable.

Item Purchased	Date of Purchase	Cost	Initial Destination/ Location	Comments
N/A				

By signing this report, I confirm that to the best of my knowledge these District Grant funds were spent only for eligible items in accordance with Trustee-approved guidelines, and that all the information contained herein is true and accurate. Receipts for all grant-funded expenditures are attached. I also understand that all photographs submitted in connection with this report will become the property of RI and will not be returned. I warrant that I own all rights to the photographs, including copyright, and hereby grant the District, RI and TRF a royalty free irrevocable license to use the photographs now or in the future, through the District and the world in any manner it so chooses and in any medium now known or developed. This includes the right to modify the photographs as necessary in the District’s and RI’s sole discretion. This also includes, without limitation, use on or in the web sites, magazines, brochures, pamphlets, exhibitions and any other promotional materials of the District, RI, and TRF.

Please attach all receipts or an invoice and a copy of the check used to pay the invoice. Funds over \$100 not used must be returned to the district grants treasurer.

Certifying signature of primary contact:



Date: 01/20/2022

Print name: **Matt Thompson**

Expenditures:

Item #1



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COTIZACION

Nombre del Centro Educativo: CEB JOSEFA LASTIRI DE MORAZAN
CCEPREB JOSEFA LASTIRI DE MORAZAN
Aldea: LANCETILLA Municipio: TELA Fecha de Elaboración: 4 DE FEBRERO DE 2021

Cantidad	Descripción	Precio Unitario	Total
1	Trabajo labor	25,000	25,000
5	Renta de equipo (por día)	2,750	13,750
8	Base de la carretera (por yarda cúbica)	660	5,280
1	Miscelánea	2,500	2,500
1	FLETE	1,500	1,500
		Total Lps.	48,030

USD
\$ 1,021.63
\$ 512.31
\$ 266.40
\$ 102.46
\$ 61.48
\$ 1,968.52

Item #2

INTERNATIONAL OUTGOING WIRE TRANSFER REQUEST	
First National Bank of Omaha	
Customer Name: *THE CENTENNIAL FOUNDATION	
Requested Date/Time: 03/05/2021 11:07:26	
Wire Amount: 2000.00	Wire Fee Amount: 35.00
Currency Type: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> US Dollars	<input type="checkbox"/> Other Currency (Specify):
Sender/Bank Customer	Account Number to Debit: 44037139
	Account Name and Address: *THE CENTENNIAL FOUNDATION 2103 21ST AVE GREELEY CO 80631
Beneficiary/Recipient <i>(This is the ultimate recipient of the funds)</i>	Beneficiary's Account Number (if needed): 6480896
	Beneficiary's Name and Address: JUSTO ALBERTO OLIVA COLONIA SANTA MARIA 8 CASA #30 CALLE PRINCIPAL ROATAN, ISLAS DE LA BAHIA HN
	Beneficiary's Phone (if provided): 50494745269
Beneficiary Bank	SWIFT Code: FCOHHNTE
	IBAN, CLABE or Other (if applicable):
	Bank Name and Address: BANCO FINANCIERA COMERCIAL HONDUREN A S.A. (BANCO FICOHSA) COLONIA LAS COLINAS TEGUCIGALPA,HN
Purpose for Wire <i>(A clear description of a payment's purpose such as down payment on home purchase or to purchase equipment for business, etc.)</i>	SHIPMENT OF SUPPLIES TO HELP HURRICANE VICTIMS
Other Messages or Instructions needed to process the wire (as applicable) <i>(ATTN, REF #, INVOICE, LOAN, etc.)</i>	

This is your receipt. Retain until you have verified it with your statement.

Authorized Sender's Signature 

Printed Name CHRISTOPHER M WOODRUFF