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## Rotary Club of Anchorage East

**MODESTA MARIBEL TOLCHAN BARAN** is a 20-year old woman from Canton Chihuaste in Semayac Municipality in the Department of Suchitepequez.

According to her mother, Modesta fell out of bed when she was 5 years old and hit her head. She had been a normal child up until that time, but after the fall she could only crawl and now has twisted legs and other developmental problems. She has not been to school.

There are 7 people in their house – the father (48), the mother (41) and four siblings, in addition to Modesta. The siblings are three girls 16, 14 and 13, and one boy 11.

The father went to school through 6<sup>th</sup> grade, but the mother did not go to school. The 16-year old daughter completed 3<sup>rd</sup> year of *basico*. The son is in the 4<sup>th</sup> year of *primaria*.

The father is an agricultural day laborer who cuts cane, clears corn fields and clears coffee fields. The mother is a homemaker.

In the picture, the name on the ID board is “Maribel”.

