

Monday April 11, 2016

Dear Mr. John Gerace,

Phoenix, Arizona

I am sending this e-mail to express my sincere gratitude for the contribution made by you and other members of your group. I am writing to thank you for the Blue balls. I am very happy and appreciative the gifts because your generosity has inspired me to help communities in Costa Rica, which are facing economic problems and right now, the balls were handed over to a group of students in order to support the educational system as a part of the learning process in Costa Rica. I mean, I do appreciate the blue balls because at this moment, the students are using them to develop their abilities as a daily practice, strategies that they can acquire over the time as well as material to enjoy their leisure time. At the same time, this lovely action has inspired some students to practice the sport that majority of the Costa Ricans children love that is soccer. Therefore, I promise you I and other people who are around me will work very hard giving the balls to others especially children. The distribution was in different ways. One of them is in the province of Guanacaste, in a school called Aguas Calientes de Cuajiniquil, it is located in the Cruz, and the second one is in other school called Gil Tablada, it is located in the Jobo in La Cruz too. In addition, the last one is in the province of San José, in a school called the CEN of Río Azúl and it is located in Desamparados.

. Thank you very much for your selection and I am deeply appreciate of your support and help to those communities that need a hand.

Sincerely,

MSc Nidya Benavides Campos

San José Costa Rica

## Gerace, John

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**From:** Fara Walling <fwalling@umom.org>  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 07, 2016 11:07 AM  
**To:** Gerace, John  
**Subject:** RE: playground balls

Hi John,

Thank you to everyone at Phoenix Rotary 100 for donating the indestructible soccer balls! They have been distributed and the children love them.

We are grateful for your support and look forward to being able to partner together more in the future.

Fara

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**From:** Gerace, John [mailto:gerace@PhoenixUnion.org]  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 07, 2016 10:53 AM  
**To:** Fara Walling  
**Subject:** RE: playground balls

Hi Fara,

## Gerace, John

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**From:** Mike Dickinson <Mike.Dickinson@usw.salvationarmy.org>  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 07, 2016 12:21 PM  
**To:** Gerace, John  
**Subject:** RE: donation

John,

Thanks again for the donation of soccer balls to The Salvation Army Kroc Center Sports Department. They were immediately put to use.

Your continued support is appreciated.

Major Mike Dickinson  
Kroc Corps Officer  
Phoenix South Mountain

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**From:** "Gerace, John" <gerace@PhoenixUnion.org>  
**To:** Mike Dickinson <Mike.Dickinson@usw.salvationarmy.org>  
**Date:** 04/07/2016 10:53 AM  
**Subject:** RE: donation

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Hi Mike,

I need a favor regarding the soccer balls. I was just informed by Rotary that I need a letter from you acknowledging that the soccer balls were received and distributed. It can be as simple as a quick email reply to this message.

Let me know if you have any questions. Thanks.

*John Gerace*

John Gerace  
Director, Global Studies Program  
Central High School

**From:** Mike Dickinson [<mailto:Mike.Dickinson@usw.salvationarmy.org>]  
**Sent:** Friday, February 12, 2016 2:58 PM  
**To:** Gerace, John  
**Subject:** RE: donation

**Gerace, John**

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**From:** David Fierro <david.fierro@phoenix.gov>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 13, 2016 1:47 PM  
**To:** Gerace, John  
**Subject:** MARC Futbol

This email is to confirm that the Marc Atkinson Recreation Center received 5 balls from Mr. John Gerace on February 10, 2016.

Thank you again!

**David Fierro, Recreation Coordinator II**  
**Marc Atkinson Recreation Center**  
**City of Phoenix Parks and Recreation**  
**Office: 602-261-8990**



Many Hands, Many Minds, One Team

## Gerace, John

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**From:** Gina Regan <gina@coeduc.org>  
**Sent:** Friday, April 08, 2016 5:34 AM  
**To:** Gerace, John  
**Subject:** RE: Great to meet you

Hi John,

Thanks for reaching out. We have received the soccer balls and plan on distributing them on our next Rotary project tour to Guatemala in February 2017.

Please let me know if you need any further information.

Best,

Gina Regan  
Cooperative for Education

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**From:** Gerace, John [mailto:[gerace@PhoenixUnion.org](mailto:gerace@PhoenixUnion.org)]  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 7, 2016 1:55 PM  
**To:** Gina Regan  
**Subject:** RE: Great to meet you

Hi Gina,

I need a favor regarding the soccer balls. I was just informed by Rotary that I need a letter from you acknowledging that the soccer balls were received and distributed. It can be as simple as a quick email reply to this message.

Let me know if you have any questions. Thanks.

*John Gerace*

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**From:** Gina Regan [mailto:[gina@coeduc.org](mailto:gina@coeduc.org)]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 22, 2016 12:50 PM  
**To:** Gerace, John  
**Cc:** Caroline Phelps  
**Subject:** Great to meet you

Hi John,

It was great to meet you on Friday at your Rotary meeting—thank you so much for your club's warm welcome! I loved getting the chance to chat with you. Thanks also for the soccer ball donation! It doesn't look like Carolee will be going down to Guatemala in August after all, but hopefully we can get some people from the area to bring them down in February.

I briefly mentioned our School to School program when we talked. If you are interested in getting your students at Central High School involved, that would be great! Here is our [School to School webpage](#) with some more information about the partnership. We have had high school classes undertake all sorts of different fundraising efforts, including dodgeball tournaments, pasta dinners, penny wars, etc. It is pretty cool when a class gets the chance to fundraise for a particular educational program, and then can see the results of what they helped make happen.

I have copied our School to School coordinator Caroline Phelps on this email. She will be able to answer any questions you may have about this opportunity.

As I mentioned during my presentation, we take tours down to Guatemala each year, and would love to see you down there one of these days! Here is more information about our [10-day Rotary tour](#).

Thanks again, John. It is great to know that Rotary clubs like yours exist that are doing some really great things in this world.

All the best,

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