

FINAL REPORT

INTRODUCTION

The Anchorage Midtown Rotary Club was asked by the Rotary Club of Escazu (in San Jose, Costa Rica) to participate on an educational project to purchase school equipment for a non-profit organization in San Jose known as Face of Justice.

Face of Justice takes children from the streets of San Jose used by traffickers and pimps for prostitution. Face of Justice rehabilitates these children via academic education, mental health support and nutrition. Additionally, they provide children with shelter and a safe house.

As many non-profits, Face of justice is always in need of any type of assistance. At the moment, they urgently need computers and desks for their classroom.

RESPONSIBILITIES

The primary responsibility of the Anchorage Midtown Rotary club is to fund the project. All the members at the club have been involved in fundraising efforts. At the end of the project, our member, Carlos Machuca, will travel to Costa Rica (covering his own expenses) to meet with the Executive Director of Face of Justice and with the President of the Escazu Rotary Club to make sure it all went well and to find additional needs future needs.

The Rotary Club of Escazu in Costa Rica will be in charge of purchasing, delivering and installing the equipment. They will also provide troubleshooting support for the next five years.

FUNDING

In 2018, the Anchorage Midtown Rotary applied for a 5010 District Grant and received (from District) the amount of \$1,050. Additionally, the Anchorage Midtown Rotary fundraised (during the 2018 summer) the amount of \$3,138 towards the project.

DETAILS OF EXPENDITURES AND FLOW OF PROJECT

As mentioned above, the Anchorage Midtown Rotary fundraised for this project the amount of \$3,138. We applied for a District Grant and received the amount of \$1,050. When we decided to send the money to Costa Rica via electronic bank service (which it happened several weeks after we had calculated the expenses), we added \$32 extras to the original amount of \$3,138 to compensate for any changes in the exchange rate. The final and total amount we sent to the Escazu Rotary Club towards this project was \$4,220. See table below.

Contributions to Project	Anchorage Midtown Rotary	DDF	TOTAL
Original Amounts	\$3,138	\$1,050	\$4,188
Money Actually Sent to CR	\$3,170	\$1,050	\$4,220
Difference	+\$32		+\$32

The Escazu Rotary Club received the amount of \$4,220 US dollars. At the time they exchange the \$4,220 dollars into Costa Rican Colones, they received ₡ 2,413,840 Costa Rican Colones.

The table below translates and describes the purchases, amounts and invoices submitted in Dollars and Costa Rican Colones:

Invoice #	Business	Item Description	Qty	Unit Price in Colones	Exchange Rate at	Unit Price In US Dollars	Total Price In Colones	Total Price In US Dollars
					time of exchange to \$1 US Dollar			
*6280	Extreme Tech- CR	HP Laptops	4	CRC285,000.00	\$ 572	\$ 498.25	CRC1,140,000.00	\$ 1,993.00
620-E-000729675	Office Depot-CR	Apple iMac Computer	1	CRC819,990.00	\$ 572	\$ 1,433.55	CRC819,990.00	\$ 1,433.55
*Ending: 0032	Crometal- CR	Student's Desk	12	CRC34,887.17	\$ 572	\$ 60.99	CRC418,646.02	\$ 731.88
Total							CRC2,378,636.02	\$ 4,158.43

*Note: Some unitary amounts were calculated with Costa Rica's taxes

	Colones	US Dollars
Amount Received	CRC2,413,840.00	\$ 4,220.00
Balance	CRC 35,203.98	\$ 61.57

Please notice that in the original report (in Spanish submitted by the Escazu Rotary Club) one of the invoices (Office Depot) was rounded from C 819.990,00 Colones to C 820.000,00.

After some research, I found that we told the Escazu Rotary Club that if there was any money left (in this case \$61.57) to use it towards school supplies (notebooks, pencils, etc.) - no invoice required. Our experience from other international educational projects has been similar (a few dollars extra towards school supplies).

RESULTS OF PROJECT

The project was a total success- all school supplies were purchased and installed. Besides the monetary benefits, this project created a tight bond between the Anchorage Rotary Club, the Escazu Rotary Club and the nonprofit Face of Justice. We are all looking forward in working another project together.