



Changing Lives through Education

Our Mission

Roots & Wings International promotes elementary through university education in rural Guatemala. We work with indigenous youth whose families earn approximately \$2 per day growing coffee. Our work is rooted in recognizing the importance of culturally responsive education that empowers students to connect their cultural identity with sustainable social and economic development.

Our Programs

We offer three educational programs – University Scholarships, Computer Literacy and After-School Tutoring – to help students from the highlands of the Boca Costa region work towards the development of their native communities:

University Scholarship

23 sponsored to study in Guatemalan universities.
Seeking sponsors to provide 50 more.

After-School Tutoring

Sponsorship in need to help 600 elementary students graduate.

Computer Literacy

25 Computers for 600 children. Donor sponsorship in need to expand program.

Our local staff also provides academic counseling and career guidance to 250 youth per year. Our university scholars are required to meet monthly to discuss planning and resolution of local development issues. We are currently seeking funding of \$1.5 million to construct a high school for the region.

Funding Allocation

Over 90% of our funding goes directly into local programs. The remaining goes to administration. To date, our administrative operation has been run entirely by volunteers in the United States. Our local office is in the village of Pasac in Nahualá, Sololá, approximately 3½ hours southwest of Guatemala City.

If you'd like to make a donation, partner with us, or visit our local communities, please contact our founder, Erik Swanson, at Erik@RootsAndWingsIntl.org.

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