

# Individual Project Report

## Wheelchair Ramps For The Elderly And Veterans

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### Project Description

1. Describe the project. What was done, when, and where did the project activities take place?

*Our grant project consisted of constructing accessible ramps for the elderly and veterans of our community. The first ramp was built for an elderly gentleman who has recently suffered 2 strokes. The ramp was built for him over the Easter weekend (March 25th). The ramps was approximately 12 feet long and included handrails. It was anchored to the home's foundation and also anchored to the sidewalk for stability.*

*The next ramp was constructed for a non-profit organization called "Volunteers Serving The Need". The organization's mission is to provide Veterans and their surviving spouses with groceries and personal hygiene products once a month. They also provide fresh fruit, vegetables, frozen foods and household items when available. They recently received a modular building as a donation from the Laredo Housing Authority to assist them with how they provide these services to the Veterans. This building is about 2' off of the ground and they have not been able to use it because it does not have accessible ramps to the entrances. We received assistance from professional carpenters to construct the ramps in several pieces that could be taken and assembled onsite. On Saturday, May 28th the Rotarians assembled 2 accessible ramps to 2 doors so that the organization can have a means of ingress and egress to the building. This building, and the ramps that serve it, will provide an indoor place for the Veterans to wait and receive their groceries, away from the elements. The building will also serve many other functions for the organization.*

2. How many people benefited from this project?

*The first ramp benefitted 1 elderly gentleman since it was constructed at his home. The ramps built for the Volunteers Serving The Need will serve the over 500 Veterans of Laredo and Webb County.*

3. Who were the beneficiaries, how were they impacted by this project, and what humanitarian need was met?

*The beneficiaries of this grant were the Elderly and Veterans of Laredo and Webb County. By building them accessible ramps we have given them some independence by giving them an ability to get around on their own. The elderly gentleman was not able to leave his home before we built him his ramp. Now he is able to go outdoors on his own for fresh air and to check his mail. The ramps for the Veterans has given Volunteers Serving The Need additional tools to be able to provide more resources to serve them. The Veterans in turn have been impacted by having a building, and ramps to access the building, where they can continue to get the assistance they need.*

4. How many Rotarians participated in this project?

*We had 4 Rotarians help with the ramps project at the home and we had over 15 Rotarians help with the ramps project for the Veterans.*

5. What did they do? Please give at least two examples, not including financial support provided to the project.

*The Rotarians assisted with cutting the wood, assembling the ramp, installing the handrails, anchoring the ramp to the ground and the overall finishing of the ramp assembly.*

6. If a cooperating organization was involved, what was its role?

We cooperated with the Laredo Housing Authority who provided the shop drawings that were used to construct the ramp.

## Financial Report

Date	Description	Funding Source	Amount	%		
Aug 24, 2015	Ramps for Elderly & Veterans	District Grant	\$3,000.00	50.74 %		
Aug 01, 2015	Laredo Next Generation Rotary	Club/Other	\$2,912.71	49.26 %		
<b>Total:</b>			<b>\$5,912.71</b>	<b>100.00 %</b>		
Description	Supplier	Local Amount	Currency	Tax	Total	Amount
Materials and Supplies	Lowes	\$4,832.71	USD	\$0.00	\$4,832.71	\$4,832.71
Labor	Romo Contractor LLC	\$1,000.00	USD	\$0.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
Sign	Marketing Depot	\$80.00	USD	\$0.00	\$80.00	\$80.00
<b>Total:</b>					<b>\$5,912.71</b>	