

Individual Project Report

Webb County Larga Vista Community Center Library

Project Description

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

On Monday March 14, 2016, the Laredo Gateway Rotary Club, in conjunction with Webb County Judge Tano Tijerina, County Commissioner Rosaura Tijerina, and the Webb County Community Center at Larga Vista in Precinct No. 2, provide 4 folding tables and 40 folding chairs, all with Laredo Gateway Rotary logos, to the Larga Vista Kids Café and Library, a center that provides underprivileged children with meals, study materials, and computers. Laredo Gateway Rotary posted a large banner with its own logo, this year's "Be a Gift to the World" theme and District 5930, on the banner. Gateway Rotary presented the tables and chairs at a Rotary Day, which was a service project wherein Gateway Rotarians visited with the students of Larga Vista and served them meals and drinks as part of the Kids Café. Gateway Rotary also provided a large book donation to the Larga Vista Library, compliments of Randy and Nancy Blair.

2. How many people benefited from this project?

The Larga Vista Webb County Community Center, including the Kids Café and Library, serves an low-income area of Laredo, Texas, with children that sometimes do not receive any meals but the ones served at the Center. The Community Center is in need of additional tables and chairs to serve the ever-increasing number of underprivileged children in the area. The intended beneficiaries are the underprivileged children and non-english speaking adults of the Larga Vista area.

The Kids Café serves 1,487 meals per month and the Library serves 656 children per month. The Library includes reference books, fiction books, computer work stations, and TVs where the children can do homework and spend time after school. Additionally, the Community Center has teamed up with Laredo Community College to offer ESL and GED classes to adults.

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

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The humanitarian needs met by this event, project, and grant include supporting education, and saving mothers and children. The much needed tables and chairs will be used to provide what is sometimes the children's only or last hot meal of the day. The tables and chairs will also be used for classes for both children and adults utilizing the Library. The tables and chairs previously used by the Community Center were extremely worn down and over 10 years old.

4. How many Rotarians participated in this project?

Between 10 and 15 Rotarians participated in the project on the event day.

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

As described above, and additionally, Gateway Rotarians helped purchase, move, and set up the tables and chairs, they helped apply the Laredo Gateway Rotary decals on the tables and chairs prior to the event, they coordinated the donation of the books for the Library, and on the day of the event, Gateway Rotarians assisted with the setup for the event and served the underprivileged children who utilize the Kids Café with what may be their only or last hot meal of the day.

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

The Larga Vista Community Center of Precinct 2, including the Kids Café and Library, and their staff also assisted with table and chair setup along with serving meals. The organization also assisted with public relations, as the event garnered both television and newspaper publicity. Finally, the South Texas Food Bank provided the food and drinks that were served at the event.

Financial Report

Date	Description	Funding Source	Amount	%
Aug 24, 2015	Webb County Larga Vista	District Grant	\$1,000.00	50.00 %
Sep 01, 2015	Laredo Gateway Rotary Contribution	Club/Other	\$250.00	12.50 %
Sep 01, 2015	District Grant Funds Requested	District Grant	\$750.00	37.50 %
Total:			\$2,000.00	100.00 %

Description	Supplier	Local Amount	Currency	Tax	Total	Amount
NW Territory Lightweight Folding Chairs (40)	K-Mart	\$639.60	USD	\$0.00	\$639.60	\$639.60
Laredo Gateway Rotary District 5930 President Theme Banner	Indoff, Inc.	\$300.00	USD	\$0.00	\$300.00	\$300.00
Laredo Gateway Rotary Logo	Indoff, Inc.	\$240.43	USD	\$0.00	\$240.43	\$240.43
	K-Mart	\$119.97	USD	\$0.00	\$119.97	\$119.97
Total:					\$1,300.00	

Description	Supplier	Local Amount	Currency	Tax	Total	Amount
NW Territory 6-ft Fold-In-Half Table (3)						
					Total:	\$1,300.00