



Amigos Escuela del Vidrio Annual Report 2022

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To everyone,

We have concluded a new school year and, despite all the limitations we have carried with us since the pandemic, we are very happy to have managed to exceed expectations.

All this success has been achieved through the team work of our financial sponsors, volunteers, teachers, board, students, and parents. This success can be summarised in the graduation this year of 21 students and 22 more students who finished the obligatory Honduran education.

In a world with so much technology and that becomes more competitive everyday, our school continues to thrive with the objective of continuously giving underprivileged students the opportunity to study; because we know that only education can solve the social and personal problems in our dear Honduras.

I thank all the financial and logistical support from Veron Foundation, Nacar Foundation and foreign volunteers, I have no issues showing my full gratitude for making children's dreams come true.

I would also like to show my gratitude for the trust bestowed upon me as the President of the AEV for 4 years.

I would also like to thank my colleagues on the board of the AEV for their support and commitment to work in favour of the school, and I invite them to continue with this attitude.

To everyone, thank you very much.

Francisco Gallo Canalez
President of the AEV 2018-2022

Thanks to Francisco Gallo for his presidency:

In 2022 we were once again fortunate enough to have the collaboration of Engineer Gallo as the President of the Association, which has been his last year of presidency (until further notice), we wanted to thank him from the bottom of our hearts for the time dedicated to the projects and the love and good treatment towards all the participants.

Throughout the years, we have achieved great things together and he has always been very present in all our projects. We have learned to carry out many fundraising activities and the school has managed to have a space and voice within the city of El Progreso.

In 2023, the presidency was passed to Carlos Vindel, former board member of the Association. He sends us this letter:

To everyone,

I am very grateful to everyone involved, the parents who have believed in the school and have sent their children every day, the teachers for their commitment as mentors of the young people, the school administration for their good execution, the members of the Friends of the Glass School Association, and the educational authorities for their conscious support that allows us to move forward for the better.

To the Veron Foundation, Nacar Foundation, volunteers and external and internal collaborators, I also express my gratitude for supporting our country on behalf of the AEV (Friends of the Glass School Association). They allow us to reach young people who overcome their limitations, making them dreamers who will help their families and therefore the country Honduras, heart of America.

To all, THANK YOU.

Carlos Alexis Vindel

President of the AEV 2023-

Who are we?

The Amigos de la Escuela del Vidrio Association (AEV) is a non-profit NGDO comprised of professional and committed individuals that have as their mission providing access to education for the youth, as a means to improve their quality of life and development at the local level.

Our main motivation is the honduran youth as they are the future of our country. We act as the engine for the initiatives external organizations have, when they wish to help in the development of honduran society through education, labor integration, entrepreneurship and communitarian aid. La Escuela del Vidrio is the first project to be born and the most ambitious too, but you will see that we also work to improve access to university, professional development and community or family assistance.

The AEV works to ensure the proper functioning of the Escuela del Vidrio and supports both the educational program and the development of its students, by creating activities and events that raise funds for the improvement of the education young hondurans receive. We also promote community development projects.

Our goals include

- Fulfilling the objectives of the Escuela del Vidrio and the programs it creates.
- **2.** Supporting the implementation of educational activities at the Escuela del Vidrio.
- **3.** Supporting the personal and professional development of our students.
- **4.** Contributing to the sustainable and long term financing of the projects.
- **5.** Supporting activities that promote the community's development (where the Escuela del Vidrio is located).



Alignment with the SDG

The activities carried out by Amigos de la Escuela del Vidrio and its impact on society are aligned with the following 2030 Agenda on Sustainable Development Goals; these being the most effective means to achieve peace, security, quality of life improvement and social development



































Our Projects in 2022

Education

Escuela del Vidrio (School of Glass)

University Scholarships

Escuela de Madres y Padres (School for Parents)

Educational Volunteering

Labour Insertion

Lahat, Glass from Honduras

Solidary Food Truck

Development Microcredits

Territorial Employment Board

Entrepreneur Community · Powered by Tetuan Valley

Alumni Project

Community Assistance

Family Gardens

Psychosocial Help

Community Cleanup

Emergency Aid for Natural Disasters:

Provision of Supplies to the Affected Families







Escuela del Vidrio (School of Glass)

Area

Education

Location

Aldea El Porvenir del Norte (Camalote). El Progreso, Yoro, Honduras

Description

The Escuela del Vidrio in Honduras, born in 2009, is an educational project meant to foster international cooperation and which continues every day with our ongoing support. Since 2015, the school has been located in the village of El Porvenir del Norte (Camalote), north of the city of El Progreso, Yoro, Honduras. Its main goal is to educate and train young people so they can have access to a decent job and quality of life.

The Escuela del Vidrio provides for low-income children and teenagers from rural areas, who otherwise would not have access to an education. In fact, it offers them a three-year professional training in glass crafts or cooking and tourism, under the certification of CONEANFO (National Commission for the Development of Non-Formal Alternative Education). At the same time, they take the Basic Cycle exams (formal education) thanks to an agreement with IHER (Honduran Institute of Education by Radio), and can also access compulsory secondary education.

In 2022 the school was finally able to return to all of its activities to 100% capacity following the chaos caused by the COVID-19 pandemic. However, this was done always with a mask on.

This year we opened up a 7th grade class for the first time, to be able to provide a quality education to more children than ever before. This increased our number of students from 84 to 130, significantly increasing our capacity to create a positive feedback system in the neighbouring communities. In 2022 we also had less students dropping out than ever before, a fact we are very proud of.



On our journey towards complete sustainability, this year we also invested in a set of solar panels for the school, with the idea of reducing costs and consumption of electricity. We always try to foster the protection of the environment in every part of our educational system.

Collaborators

20 field staff

Beneficiaries

130 direct · 520 indirect

Hours of Collaboration · 1.800 hours

Expenses

Total · \$279,154 · Lps, 6,883,779

Veron Foundation · \$151,704 · Lps. 3,737,994

Nacar Foundation · \$127,450 · Lps. 3,145,785

Annual Expenses per student

Number of students: 130 Total · \$2,147 · Lps. 52,952

Cost per student for Veron Foundation \$1,167 · Lps. 28,753

Cost per student for Nacar Foundation \$980 · Lps. 24,198







Area

Education

Location

El Progreso, Yoro, Honduras

Description

In 2022 we continued to support three young ex-students with their university studies in Honduras. Two of them, Nelson Herrera and Greysi Cálix, continue to work at the Escuela del Vidrio whilst they finish their university studies.

Furthermore, we still continue to support David Herrera in his studies in Agricultural Engineering. This year he has enrolled again in classes (after not being able to study due to the pandemic), and now he only has 3 classes left to finish his degree.

Collaborators

1 field staff · 2 volunteers in Spain

Beneficiaries

3 direct 12 indirect

Hours of Collaboration

· 50 hours

Total Expenses

· \$2.503 · Lps. 61.653

Annual Expenses per student

Scholarships 2022	LEMPIRA	DOLAR
Computer Engineering	Lps. 14,342	\$ 582
Law	Lps. 22,604	\$ 918
Agricultural Engineering	Lps. 24,707	\$ 1,003
Total	Lps. 61,653	\$ 2,503









Escuela de Madres y Padres (School for Parents)

Area

Education and Community Assistance

Location

Aldea El Porvenir del Norte (Camalote). El Progreso, Yoro, Honduras

Description

The Escuela de Madres y Padres emerged from the project Escuela del Vidrio, with the goal of raising understanding among the students' families of the importance of their children's education, as well as their own, to achieve a brighter future. We provide parents with talks and other kinds of training to help them improve their quality of life.

Escuela de Madres y Padres holds one or two sessions a month, in which orientation lectures are provided on the subjects of, for example, equality and coexistence at home, the importance of their children's education, how to face family conflicts, etc. Craft activities are also carried out so that parents can sell them and have another source of income to provide for their families.

In 2022, we held a total of 8 talks throughout the year, regarding subjects like communication, growth, and development of the parent-child relationship. We also held practical workshops on baking and beauty (manicures, pedicures, cutting and drying of hair). We were lucky enough to receive a donation of 10.000 Lempiras from the City of El Progreso to carry out these courses.

These talks and workshops were extremely successful, with an assistance rate of 80% of the parents of the students at the school. The workshops also helped some mothers to start their own entrepreneurship projects from home. For these reasons, we are very happy with how the project has developed.

Collaborators

Undetermined 2 field staff Several local volunteers

Beneficiaries

130 direct 600 indirect including children, young adults, families and others

Hours of Collaboration

50 hours



Educational Volunteering

Area

Education

Location

Escuela del Vidrio, Aldea El Porvenir del Norte (Camalote). El Progreso, Yoro, Honduras

Description

Every year, the Escuela del Vidrio identifies a series of needs that can not be covered unless we welcome volunteers from other places. Because of this, the AEV organises field trips from professional volunteers so that they can give their support to the school.

In 2021, the United Nations named the year 2022 the International Year of Glass. So, we took advantage of the occasion and invited 5 Latin American glass artists to go to the school as volunteers and teach our students new techniques. These artists were Victor Silva, Débora Gurmán, Marco Romero, Eduardo Amezcúa, and Daniel Castillo.

We also had the great pleasure to welcome the volunteer chef Alicia Moreno in August to teach new culinary techniques to our students studying Cooking and Tourism.

Collaborators . 6

Beneficiaries · Direct · 130 · Indirect · 520

Hours of collaboration - 200 hours

Total Expenses · \$7,186 · Lps. 177,142

Annual Expenses per student · \$55 · Lps. 1,363









Lahat, Glass from Honduras

Area

Labour Insertion

Location

Aldea El Porvenir del Norte (Camalote). El Progreso, Yoro, Honduras

Description

A specialisation project for the students who graduated in the Technical Studies in Glass at our Escuela del Vidrio. This project's main goal is to become a previous step to employment, thanks to its professional, complete and dual training, where the students learn to manage a business through real practice and workshops.

They learn all tasks related to management, marketing and production. Furthermore, they learn to account for their inventory, take client orders directly, generate budgets that include every detail of the product, labour, supplies, etc. and learn to negotiate.

The funds generated from this project are then directly put towards taking in other students at the Escuela del Vidrio. The final clients are aware that the products they are buying are helping other students study a technical career with us, and clients who are businesses integrate Corporate Social Responsibility into their DNA, being a part of projects that make a difference and create a change in the lives of many young people in Honduras.

In 2022, we received more orders from clients than ever before, we worked with the Commonwealth of El Progreso (the city nearby to Camalote), and, thanks to the knowledge and teachings of the Year of Glass volunteers, new and better products were created. We were also able to invest in a couple of new ovens, so that the Lahat students can fulfil jewellery orders.

Collaborators

9

Beneficiaries

7 direct 30 indirect

Hours of Collaboration

1,000 hours

Total Expenses

\$16,949 · Lps. 418,267

Annual Expenses per student

\$2,421 · Lps. 59,752

Solidary Food Truck

Area

Labour Insertion

Location

El Progreso, Yoro, Honduras

Description

A specialisation project for the students who graduated in the Technical Studies in Cooking and Tourism at our Escuela del Vidrio. This project's main goal is to become the previous step to employment, thanks to its professional, dual and complete training, where the students learn to manage a business through real practice and workshops.

They learn all tasks related to management, marketing and production. Furthermore, they also learn to provide catering services, waiter special events, and manage a food truck service open to the public. The generated revenue is destined directly to help other students just like them access education at the Escuela del Vidrio.

The Food Truck works both for clients and as an alliance with local businesses that wish to provide a service for their employees or for a special event, which is at the same time for a good cause.

In 2022, the students could not use the Food Truck as much as they wanted to, firstly due to COVID-19 restrictions and then due to a need for a service. But, despite this, the Food Truck was still able to cater two big events, the first one at the beginning of the year at the "Noche de Globos" (Balloon Night), a charity event organised by the local TV station TeleProgreso. In September, the Food Truck was taken out for another event, this time to the centre of El Progreso, to celebrate the annual charity Rice Festival held there by the rice brand Baprosa.

Collaborators 7

Beneficiaries

6 direct 24 indirect Hours of Collaboration

· 1,000 hours

Total Expenses

· \$6,280 · Lps. 154,690

Annual Expenses per student

\$1,047 \cdot Lps. 25,782







Development Microcredits

Area

Labour Insertion, Entrepreneurship and Community Assistance

Location

El Progreso, Yoro, Honduras

Description

The Social Support Fund, formerly known as the Young Entrepreneurs Fund, now offers grants in three different areas:

- Youth entrepreneurship
- 2. Training for employment
- 3. Community assistance

How does it work? It is a specific fund created by partner entities, targeted to young people with limited resources, who wish to start a business, undertake training or who are in need of any kind of social support.

The fund operates through microcredits, so it is nourished by repayments. This fund was started in 2016 and, for the time being, works at zero interest. For each type of agreement, there is a program detailing the conditions, access requirements, commitments and responsibilities acknowledged. There is also a commitment agreement between the parties detailing the economic returns.

In 2022, similarly to 2021, the funds have not increased. However, we are slowly regaining what was loaned so that other ex students have the same opportunities. Three of the beneficiaries of the fund have fully repaid their microcredit, whilst the two remaining beneficiaries periodically repay their loan.

Collaborators . 2

Beneficiaries

5 direct 20 indirect

Fund's Capacity

\$27,620 · Lps. 678,320

In use · 66%

\$18,558 · Lps. 455,030

Repaid · 34%

\$9,062 · Lps. 223,290

Hours of Collaboration

20 hours



Area

Labour Insertion

Location

El Progreso, Yoro, Honduras

Description

The Territorial Employment Board is developed at a national level but carried out at the municipal level. Those involved are the Labour and Social Security Secretariats of Honduras, the Municipality of El Progreso, Non-Profit Organisations, and companies.

This project is specifically aimed at young people with professional technical training between the ages of 17 and 40.

We are integrated into this program with the Escuela del Vidrio project, and thus we work directly with the people affected. Our aim is to provide young people with decent jobs or at least with the opportunity of starting their own businesses. Therefore, our ultimate goal is to achieve a complete training: education + employment opportunity = social development.

In 2022, the in person meetings of the Board returned. Aside from the 6 sessions that were held throughout the year, we also participated in the Employment and Entrepreneurship Fair held in November. This year, the Headmistress of our Escuela del Vidrio led a team called Affected Population, directly supporting young people to develop themselves professionally.

Collaborators

2

Beneficiaries

130 direct · 520 indirect

Hours of Collaboration · 50 hours



Entrepreneur Community • **Powered by Tetuan Valley**

Area

Labour Insertion

Location

Escuela del Vidrio, Aldea El Porvenir del Norte (Camalote). El Progreso, Yoro, Honduras

Description

The Entrepreneur Community was born from the need that arises in young people to understand the business world and receive specific training in order to launch their own projects. The goal is to provide young Hondurans with this knowledge from the hands of the company Tetuan Valley. To this end, we have replicated their Startup School program, adapting it to the Honduran reality, which will be formed by the generations that participate year after year. Thus, we will be building an ever–growing community of ongoing support and learning.

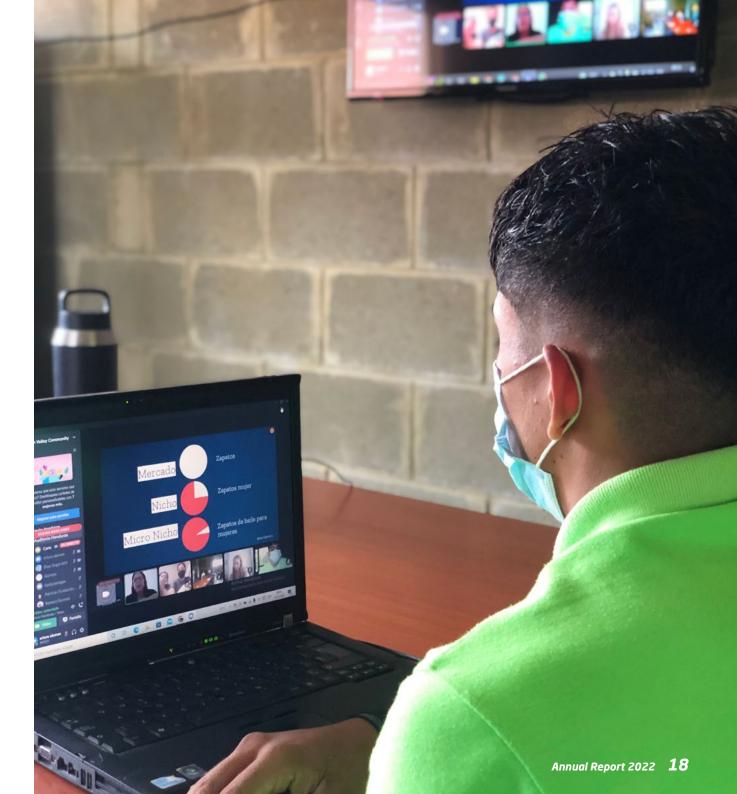
This project was born from an alliance between Veron Foundation and Tetuan Valley, two entities who want to help our population in the development of employment and entrepreneurship, with the AEV as a local partner in the field.

This year, 4 projects were presented in the program, all by female students working in pairs. They learnt to present their projects, to understand and create a potential client profile, and to study their product with the aim of improving it.

Collaborators · 5 **Hours of Collaboration** 30 hours

Beneficiaries

8 direct · 32 indirect







Alumni Project

Area

Labour Insertion

Location

Honduras y Cartago, Costa Rica

Description

The Alumni Project, or follow-up of ex-students, has as its goal to keep contact with the graduated students of the Escuela del Vidrio, to support them in their job integration after their studies. We are aware that, nowadays, jobs are not forever, much less in a country like Honduras.

This is why we created a follow up and personalised support program so that the ex-students of the Escuela can be helped with their future employment and personal development. To do this, we guide them with possible work opportunities or to continue studying with projects that arise from the cooperation between countries, the projects of friend entities or some of our own at their disposal, such as the Entrepreneur Community, University Scholarships, or Development Microcredits, etc.

This project focuses on the young adults that could not access other programs or are currently unemployed and still in Honduras; nevertheless, this does not mean we keep in contact with each and every person that has benefited from one of our projects.

In 2022, we had the opportunity to take four of our students to the First International Biennial Glass Art Exhibition in Costa Rica. It was an incredibly enriching experience for our students, as they discovered all the employment possibilities that relate to this material, and met the most celebrated artists in this sphere.

We had also planned to send two of our ex students to Mexico to carry out an internship with our friends and expert glass artists, Debora Gurman and Marco Romero. However, we were not able to do this as Marco sadly passed away at the end of the year.

We'd like to take this opportunity to speak about this huge loss and the sadness our students feel for the death of this amazing artist. Our deepest condolences to Debora and her family.

In 2023, once we are able to, our plan is to have our students visit the workshop of our dear Mexican friends and teachers for an internship.

Collaborators - 3

Beneficiaries

7 direct · 28 indirect

Total expenses · \$5.736 · Lps 141.298

Expenses per beneficiary

· \$819 · Lps. 20.185

Hours of collaboration · 80 hours







Family Gardens

Area

Community Assistance

Location

El Progreso, Yoro, Honduras

Description

The Family Gardens project was born with three objectives: respect for the environment, access to food, and environmental education.

Thanks to this project, families can have their own garden, from which they can feed themselves in an ecological and natural way, obtaining healthy food at affordable prices. This is the short-term return that families see in this project and which is very satisfactory for them.

But also in the meantime, families are educated on the importance of caring for the environment, the use of organic waste to create their own compost, the generation of natural fertilisers, planting seasons, the care of soil nutrients and how to naturally protect their garden from pests or bugs.

Thanks to local volunteers who know these techniques perfectly, training is given to families so that they can make the most out of the seeds and soil that we provide thanks to your donations.

In 2022, we continued with this project, however, unfortunately, heavy rains and flooding at the end of September destroyed most of the vegetable gardens we had planted for the families.

Nevertheless, we had the idea of replicating the vegetable gardens at the grounds of our Escuela del Vidrio. Led by Diana (chef in charge of the Technical Studies in Cooking and Tourism), we planted a huge garden that has already been very productive.

Collaborators . 4

Beneficiaries

360 direct · 1440 indirect

Hours of Collaboration

200 hours

Psychosocial Help

Area

Community Assistance

Location

Escuela del Vidrio, Aldea El Porvenir del Norte (Camalote). El Progreso, Yoro, Honduras

Description

Given the complicated situations our students have in their homes and communities, it's not unusual for them to be victims of grave psychological problems. Most of the time, the families of our students don't have the financial means to treat these issues, or they don't see a need to. For these reasons, at the Foundation and the Escuela del Vidrio, we place special emphasis on helping them to process traumatic events in order to achieve a healthy mental state. Through our Head of Studies, we conduct a following of each of our students and their families, in order to have a clearer understanding of the troubling events each one lives.

In 2022, we took on four volunteer psychologists, each who had various sessions with the students who needed it the most. These psychologists were at the school from February to June, helping 10 students and providing personalised treatment.

Collaborators . 4

Beneficiaries

10 direct · 40 indirect

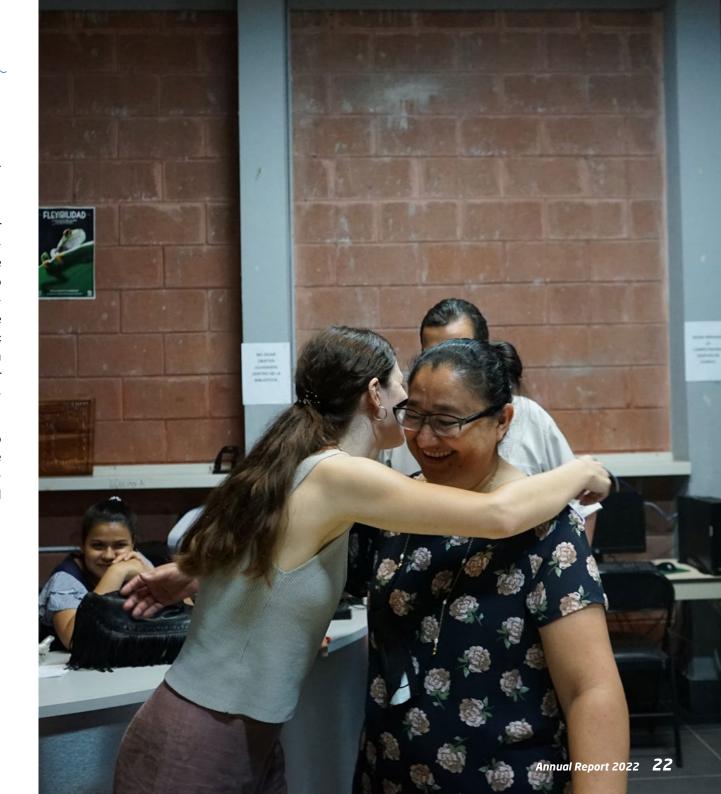
Hours of Collaboration · 200 hours

Total expenses

· \$97 · Lps. 2.400

Expenses per beneficiary

· \$9,7 · Lps. 240







Area

Community Assistance

Location

Aldea El Porvenir del Norte (Camalote). El Progreso, Yoro, Honduras

Description

Unfortunately, in Honduras, the authorities pay little attention and put little resources towards the cleaning up of trash, resulting in exaggerated quantities of littering and rubbish collected on streets, in communities, parks, etc. Apart from extremely dirty communities, this also results in people having to burn their trash, as there is no alternative to get rid of it, which causes extreme air pollution.

At the Escuela del Vidrio, we put extra care into teaching our students about the importance of taking care of the environment, including but not limited to the need to recycle, compost, use organic products, pollute as little as possible, and avoid littering.

In 2022, we put this community cleanup project in motion in Camalote, where our school is located and most of our students live. All the students took big bin bags and walked around the area, cleaning up all the litter they could find so as to subsequently recycle all of it. This way, our students put in practice what they have learnt whilst cleaning up their surroundings at the same time.

Collaborators . 7 **Beneficiaries**

130 direct 520 indirect **Hours of Collaboration** 230 hours





Emergency Aid for Natural Disasters: Provision of Supplies to the Affected Families

Area

Humanitarian Aid

Location

El Progreso, Yoro, Honduras

Description

The majority of our projects are located in the Valley of Sula, in which two of the most important basins in the country are located: the basin of the River Ulúa and the basin of the River Chamelecón. This, and the fact that the Caribbean is one of the areas most propense to natural disasters because of its geographical location and climate phenomena (like hurricanes and strong storms), means that most years, the communities in which our beneficiaries live are flooded. Many of our students lose their homes and all of their belongings.

Because of this, in 2022 we reactivated this emergency aid project. In the months of September and October, 20 families living in the communities most affected by heavy rains and flooding (La Cuchilla and La Corosa), lost their houses and everything inside them. These families all had children studying at our Escuela del Vidrio at the time, so we helped them by donating food, medicine, hygiene products and cleaning supplies, and other entities aided them with accommodation whilst their living situation was sorted out.

Collaborators . 5

Beneficiaries

20 direct · 80 indirect

Hours of Collaboration

16 hours

Total expenses

\$754 · Lps. 18,573

Expenses per beneficiary

\$38 · Lps. 929



Alliances



Veron Foundation

Nacar Foundation

Fe y Alegría Honduras

CONEANFO

IHER

Spanish Embassy in Honduras











Programa Nacional de Escuelas Taller



Collaborating businesses















































BENEFICIARIES 1,076

Hours 4,926

Collaborators 80

EXPENSES Lps 7,857,802 \$318,616

How do we distribute our funds?

	Projects 2022	Cost in Lempiras	%	beneficiaries	per beneficiary	hours	collaborators
Education	Escuela del Vidrio	6,883,779	87.6%	130	52,952	1,800	20
	University Scholarships	61,653	0.8%	3	20,551	50	3
	School for Parents	-		130	-	50	3
	Educational Volunteering	177,142	2.3%	130	1,363	200	6
ion	Lahat, Glass from Honduras	418,267	5.3%	7	59,752	1,000	9
sert	Solidary Food Truck	154,690	2%	6	25,782	1,000	7
ur In	Development Microcredits	-	-	5	-	20	2
Labour Insertion	Territorial Employment Board	-	-	130	-	50	2
	Entrepreneur Community	-	-	8	-	30	5
	Alumni Project	141,298	1.8%	7	20,185	80	3
Community Assistance	Family Gardens	-	<u>-</u>	360	-	200	4
	Psychosocial Help	2,400	0.03%	10	240	200	4
	Community Cleanup	-	-	130	-	230	7
	Emergency Aid for Natural Disasters	18,573	0.2%	20	929	16	5
	Overall expenses 2022	7,857,802					



International donations
Lps 7,532,936
\$ 305,443

Own activity Lps 879,488 \$35,661 TOTAL Lps8,412,423 \$341,104

Get involved!

As an occasional donor, you give us the boost and encouragement to continue doing good

ECONOMIC DONATION

Easy! You can donate via cash by contacting us or by making a bank transfer to ONGD-AEV Asociación Amigos de la Escuela del Vidrio

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MATERIAL DONATION

School supplies, backpacks, etc. are always needed at the beginning of the academic year. **Contact us to find out how you can help!**

PRACTICES WITH PURPOSE

If you like what our young students make in their glass crafts or cooking classes you can make a donation that covers the cost of the materials used. In exchange, you will receive a charitable product, this being a decorative piece, food, or service.

IMPORTANT

Once you have made your donation, don't forget to write an email to info@escueladelvidrio.org and give us your fiscal information.

This way we can send you your donation certificate and you can claim your Tax

Relief on your income statement.

COME TO OUR EVENTS

By coming to our events, not only do you support us, but you also get to share the experience and better understand the work we do with our students.

Stay tuned to our social media!

BECOME A VOLUNTEER

There are many ways to cooperate as a volunteer and we would love you to be a part of it as well! Contact us via email info@escueladelvidrio.org

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