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Letter from the President of the Board

To everyone,

I express my gratitude to all the individuals who have been directly and indirectly involved in the noble project called “Escuela del Vidrio,” unique in the city of El Progreso, Yoro, and possibly in the entire country.

I am very grateful to each of those involved, such as the parents who have believed in the school and have sent their children every day, to the teachers for their commitment as mentors to the youth, to the administrative staff of the school for their good execution, to the members of the Friends of the Escuela del Vidrio Association, and to the educational authorities for their conscious support that allows us to progress for the better.

To the Verón Foundation, Nacar Foundation, volunteers, and external and internal collaborators, I also express my gratitude for supporting our country on behalf of the AAEV (Friends of the Escuela del Vidrio Association). With a small contribution, they enable us to reach and help young people who overcome their limitations, making them dreamers who can help their families, and consequently, the country of Honduras, the heart of America.

To everyone, THANK YOU, given in El Progreso on the 15th day of March 2024.

Carlos Alexis Vindel
President of the AAEV

Who are we?

The Friends of the Escuela del Vidrio Association (AAEV) is a non-profit NGO composed 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 organisations have, when they wish to help in the development of honduran society through education, labour integration, entrepreneurship and communitarian aid. The 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 AAEV works to ensure the proper functioning of the Escuela del Vidrio and supports both the educational programs 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:

1. 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).



Areas of Activity and Alignment with the SDGs

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 2023

EDUCATION

- Escuela del Vidrio (School of Glass)
- University Scholarships
- Escuela de Madres y Padres (School for Parents)
- Educational Volunteering

LABOUR INSERTION

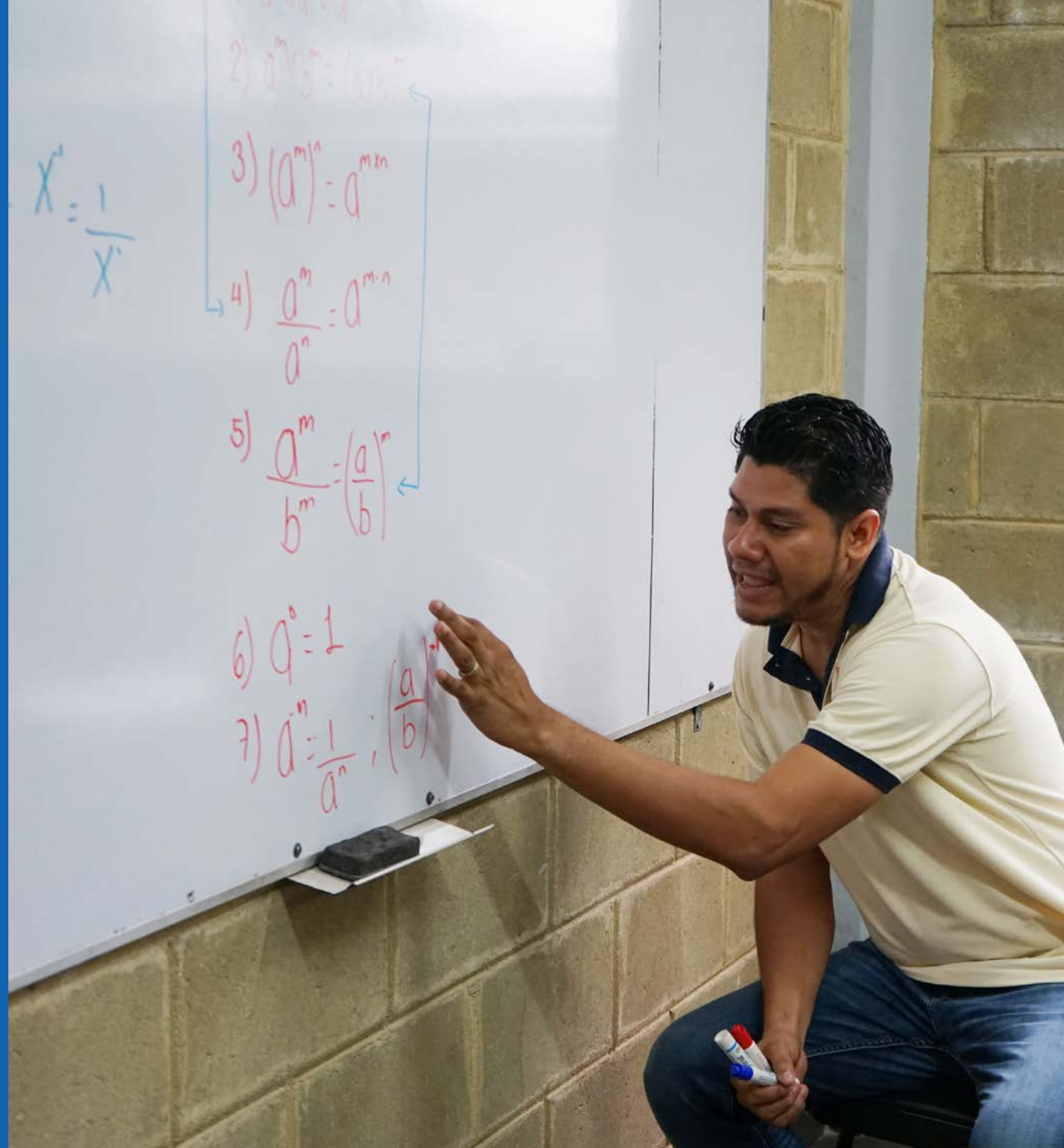
- Lahat, Glass from Honduras
- Solidary Food Truck
- Development Microcredits
- Territorial Employment Board
- Alumni Project

COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE

- Family Gardens
- Psychosocial Help
- Community Cleanup
- Environmental Project



Educational Projects



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 formed through 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 (obligatory education) thanks to an agreement with IHER (Honduran Institute of Education by Radio), and can also access compulsory secondary education.



This year, we continued with 135 students in the school. We are very proud of this number, given that in the early years of the school, it was very difficult to get students to study with us, as parents preferred their sons and daughters to be working instead of studying.

However, in 2023, due to lack of space in the school, about 40 boys and girls were left without a spot, and we had to open a waiting list. Therefore, always wanting to increase our capacity to help, we decided to move a glass workshop out of the school and build 3 new classrooms. This increased the total number of potential students from 135 to 150 for 2024.

COLLABORATORS · 20 field staff

BENEFICIARIES 135 direct 540 indirect

HOURS OF COLLABORATION · 1,800 hours

EXPENSES

Total · \$290,422 · Lps. 7,173,435

Veron Foundation · \$230,900 · Lps. 5,703,236

Nacar Foundation · \$59,522 · Lps. 1,470,199

ANNUAL EXPENSES PER STUDENT

Number of students: 135

Total · 2.004€ · \$2.151 · Lps. 53.137

Cost per student for Veron Foundation · \$1,710 · Lps. 42,246

Cost per student for Nacar Foundation · \$441 · Lps. 10,890



University Scholarships

AREA · Education

LOCATION · El Progreso, Yoro, Honduras

DESCRIPTION · In 2023, we continued supporting 3 young people in Honduras with their university studies.

Greysi Cálix, a former student of the Glass School, continues working as Secretary at the school while completing her university studies in Law, and Nelson Herrera, also a former student, continued working as a glass instructor. We also continue to support former student David Herrera with his studies in Agricultural Engineering.

Thanks to agreements that we secured with universities, in 2023 we were able to add another 6 former students to this university scholarship project. Kenia Banegas and Maryuri Bautista, studying Marketing and Advertising; Antony Chacón, studying Industrial Engineering; Arturo Alemán, studying Physical Education; Kristel Funez, studying Tourism; and Larisa Banegas, studying Accounting.

We were also able to support Abigail Ortez with a scholarship for her English studies.



COLLABORATORS

2 field staff
3 volunteers in Spain

BENEFICIARIES

10 direct
40 indirect

HOURS OF COLLABORATION

50 hours

TOTAL EXPENSES

\$4,904 · Lps 121,138

ANNUAL EXPENSES PER STUDENT

Scholarships 2023	Lempira	Dollar
Law	L16,835	\$682
Computer Engineering	L21,366	\$865
Agricultural Engineering	L13,623	\$552
Marketing and Advertising	L12,824	\$519
Marketing and Advertising	L6,508	\$263
Industrial Engineering	L9,969	\$404
Physical Education	L24,000	\$972
Tourism	L7,708	\$312
Accounting	L4,500	\$182
English	L3,805	\$154
Total	L. 121,138	\$4,904

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 increasing 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 talks for parents and other kinds of training to help them improve their quality of life.

Escuela de Madres y Padres holds one monthly session, 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 2023, a total of 9 talks were delivered throughout the year, one each month. Topics such as: parents as primary educators, parental responsibility in children's education, understanding children, behaviour formation, and character development, among others, were covered.

Thanks to this project, we have succeeded in involving parents in the comprehensive development of their children so that they can become knowledgeable individuals who simultaneously contribute to society.



COLLABORATORS

Undetermined

15 field staff · Several local volunteers

BENEFICIARIES

135 direct

800 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 AAEV organises field trips from professional volunteers so that they can give their support to the school.

In 2023, we continued with the volunteering related to Glass Techniques that we started in 2022 for the International Year of Glass. This time we invited two Latin American glass artists: Karina del Savio, coordinator of the Municipal Glass School of Berazategui in Argentina, and Daniel Castillo, who has his own workshop in Colombia. Both provided training to our glass students.

On the other hand, we were fortunate to receive the volunteer Alejandra López from the company NTT Data, who taught new athletics and computer techniques to all our Escuela del Vidrio students.



COLLABORATORS · 22

BENEFICIARIES

Direct · 135

Indirect · 540

HOURS OF COLLABORATION

200 hours

TOTAL EXPENSES

\$3,041 · Lps. 75,112

ANNUAL EXPENSES PER STUDENT

\$23 · Lps. 556

Labour Insertion Projects



Lahat, Glass from Honduras

AREA · Labour Insertion

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

DESCRIPTION · Our specialisation project for the students who have graduated in the Technical Studies in Glass Art 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.

2023 saw many changes for the Lahat workshop. Apart from integrating new techniques learned and receiving more orders than ever before, plans began to be formulated to move the workshop to El Progreso (the city next to Camalote). A larger workshop and a more central and accessible location mean being able to produce more and reach more people, creating not only more benefits for the youth in training but also for the Glass School.

The workshop will be located in the Loyola Technical Centre, favouring the relationship we have between both entities. It is planned for the workshop to be operational by early 2024.

COLLABORATORS · 13

BENEFICIARIES
6 direct · 24 indirect

HOURS OF COLLABORATION · 1,800 hours

TOTAL EXPENSES · \$9,927 · Lps. 245,187

ANNUAL EXPENSES PER STUDENT

\$1.655 · Lps. 40.865



Solidary Food Truck

AREA · Labour Insertion

LOCATION · El Progreso, Yoro, Honduras

DESCRIPTION · A specialisation project for the students who have 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 2023, the Food Truck attended several major events in the city of El Progreso. Events with Goal International were developed, we participated



in the Rice Festival in the city centre, visits were made to Ministerios Adonai, and a Solidarity Bingo was organised. Events organised by individuals were also attended, which is very beneficial as students gain experience at each event and specialise in different areas of work.

COLLABORATORS · 7

BENEFICIARIES

5 direct · 20 indirect

HOURS OF COLLABORATION · 1,800 hours

TOTAL EXPENSES · \$4,542 · Lps. 112,178

ANNUAL EXPENSES PER STUDENT

\$908 · Lps. 22,436

Development Microcredits

AREA · Labour Insertion, Entrepreneurship and Community Assistance

LOCATION · El Progreso, Yoro, Honduras

DESCRIPTION · The AAEEV's Social Support Fund, formerly known as the Young Entrepreneurs Fund, offers grants in two different areas: youth entrepreneurship and training for employment.

How does it work? It is a specific fund created by partner entities, targeted at 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 2023, the same as in 2022, 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

REPAID TO THE FUND IN 2023
\$2,270 · Lps. 56,069

HOURS OF COLLABORATION · 20 hours



Territorial Employment Board

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 as the AAEV 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 2023 we participated in the employment fairs with the objective of supporting labour insertion in the city of El Progreso.

COLLABORATORS · 2

BENEFICIARIES
135 direct
540 indirect

HOURS OF COLLABORATION · 50 hours



Alumni Project

AREA · Labour Insertion

LOCATION · Honduras

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 we can aid the ex-students of the Escuela 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; thus, this does not mean we keep in contact with each and every person that has benefited from one of our projects.



In 2023, we continued supporting Glass School alumni, alongside the School's Head of Studies, José Luis. We also continued nurturing relationships with Latin American glass artists, in order to send alumni for internships to their workshops in different countries.

COLLABORATORS · 5
 BENEFICIARIES · 10 direct · 40 indirect
 TOTAL EXPENSES · \$405 · Lps 10,000
 EXPENSES PER BENEFICIARY · \$40.5 · Lps. 1,000
 HOURS OF COLLABORATION · 100 hours

Looking ahead to 2024, the idea is to send several alumni to intern in glass workshops in Guatemala, El Salvador, Mexico, Colombia, and/or Argentina, always aiming to enhance their job readiness.

Community Assistance Projects



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 long term, 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.

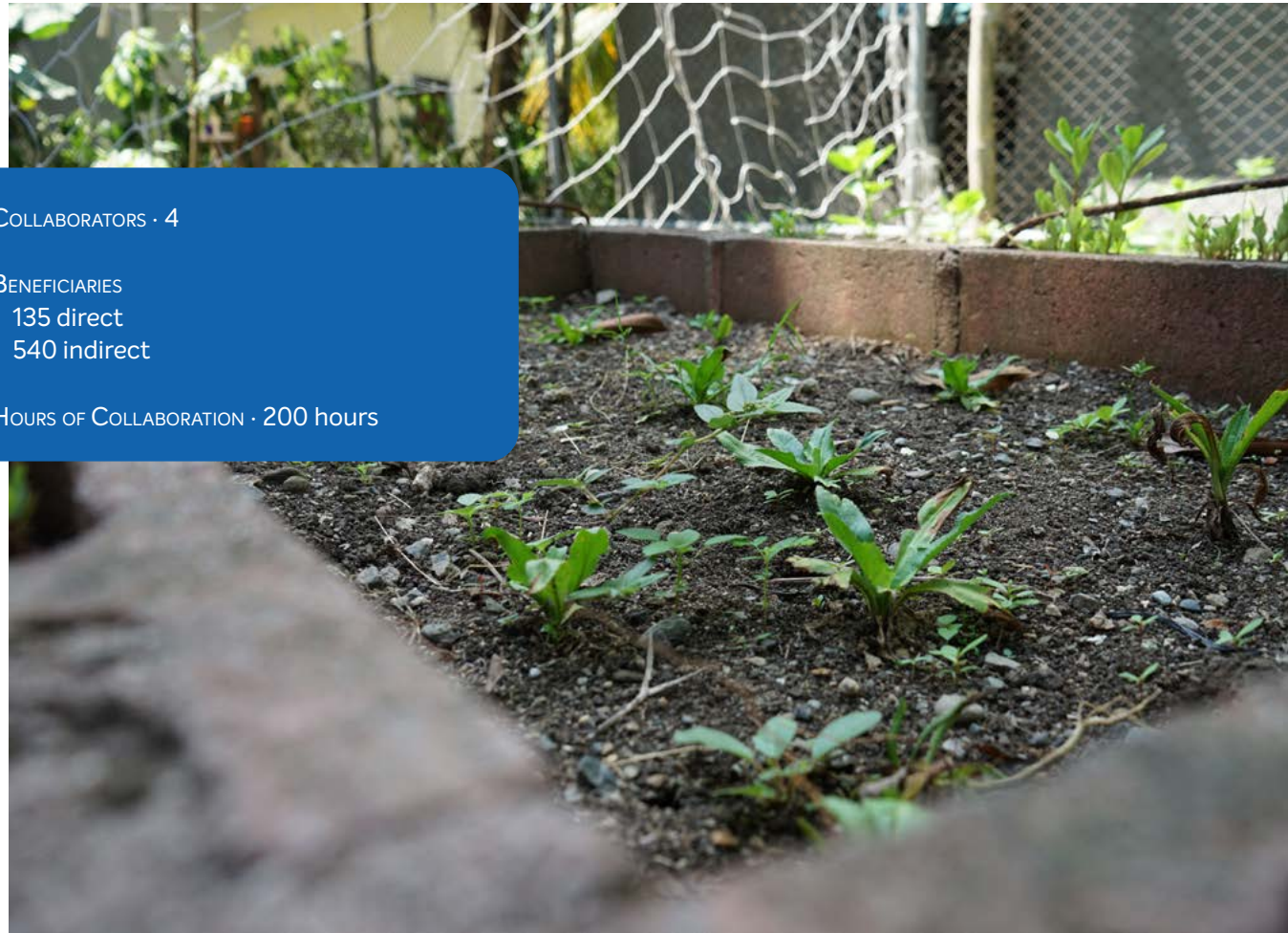
In 2023, we were fortunate to receive former student David Herrera, whom we also sponsor with his studies in Agricultural Engineering at university. In November, he conducted workshops and training sessions for the students regarding environmental care and how to grow food at home.

On the other hand, we continue to maintain the extensive garden at the School, where students and families from the School participate in practical classes, and witness firsthand how fruitful it can be to have a vegetable garden.

COLLABORATORS · 4

BENEFICIARIES
135 direct
540 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 Association 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 2023, we did not receive any psychological volunteers; instead, we established an agreement with El Progreso Hospital to refer needy students. This way, we refer students in need of psychological help to specialists who provide their services free of charge and monitor their mental state.

COLLABORATORS · 2

BENEFICIARIES
135 direct
540 indirect

HOURS OF COLLABORATION · 50 hours



Community Cleanup

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 2023, we continued with our garbage collection project in the Camalote community, where our school is located and where most of our students live. All students walked through the community with garbage bags, collecting waste to recycle everything. This way, students put into practice what they have learned while also cleaning up their community.

COLLABORATORS · 7

BENEFICIARIES

135 direct

540 indirect

HOURS OF COLLABORATION · 230 hours



Environmental Project

AREA · Community Assistance

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


DESCRIPTION · It's no secret that at the Asociación Amigos de la Escuela del Vidrio, we like to instil environmental care and sustainability. For this reason, we continuously implement measures to make our school a bit more eco-friendly.

The first of these is our photovoltaic system. Besides the solar panels installed on the Food Truck in 2019, which make the bus completely self-sustainable, at the beginning of 2023, the solar panels we installed at the school itself began operating. With this investment, we've been able to save €2,803 in school energy expenses.

The other measure is the installation of a biogas machine, also within the school premises. The machine operates with organic waste collected from the school's kitchen. Leftovers are fed into the machine, which functions like a cow's stomach, producing biogas that is then connected to a stove and used for cooking.

Additionally, this biodigester also produces a fertiliser that we use for our garden, providing double the benefits.

Producto solidario



ESCUELA DEL VIDRIO
EL PROGRESO · YORO · HONDURAS



ABONO ORGÁNICO NATURAL

La Escuela del Vidrio es un proyecto solidario ubicado a las afueras de El Progreso, que, desde 2015, da educación dual a niños y jóvenes en riesgo de exclusión social y extrema pobreza. Su enfoque en educación de calidad prepara a los estudiantes para encontrar un empleo digno, lo que significa que este colegio realmente cambia vidas.

Todo beneficio de la venta de este producto vuelve a la Escuela para poder ayudar a más personas.



COLLABORATORS · 22

BENEFICIARIES
135 direct
540 indirect

TOTAL SAVINGS · \$3,009 · Lps 74,954

HOURS OF COLLABORATION · 100 hours

Alliances

Veron Foundation
Nacar Foundation
Fe y Alegría Honduras
CONEANFO
IHER
Embassy of Spain in Honduras
Municipal Glass School of Berazategui
Hotel Real Intercontinental



Programa
Nacional de
Escuelas Taller



Collaborating businesses

Central Law

De Metal

Grupo Karim's

Dilimport

Inverland

Proveedores de Centroamérica

Aguas de San Pedro

Diunsa

Distribuidora Lycra

CEPUDO

Teleprogreso

Alcaldía Municipal de El Progreso

2023 in numbers

2023 IMPACT

BENEFICIARIES

1,116

HOURS

6,450

COLLABORATORS

126

HOW DO WE DISTRIBUTE OUR FUNDS?

EXPENSES 2023

LEMPIRAS	DOLLARS
7,662,096	310,232

HOW DO WE FINANCE OURSELVES?

Income 2023	Lempiras	Dollars
International donations	6,542,511	264,879
National donations	233,801	9,466
Own activity	1,288,453	52,162
Total	8,064,766	326,509

Details

Projects 2023	Cost in Lempiras	%	n° beneficiaries	per beneficiary	hours	n° collaborators
Escuela del Vidrio	7.173.435	93,6%	135	53.137	1.800	20
University Scholarships	121.138	1,6%	10	12.114	50	5
School for Parents	-	-	-	-	135	-
Educational Volunteering	75.112	1%	135	556	200	22
Lahat, Glass from Honduras	245.187	3,2%	6	40.865	1.800	13
Solidary Food Truck	112.178	1,5%	5	22.436	1.800	7
Development Microcredits	-	-	5	-	20	2
Territorial Employment Board	-	-	135	-	50	2
Alumni Project	10.000	0,1%	10	1.000	100	5
Family Gardens	-	-	135	-	200	4
Psychosocial Help	-	-	135	-	50	2
Community Cleanup	-	-	135	-	230	7
Environmental Project	-74.954	-	135	-	100	22
Overall expenses 2023	7.662.096	100%				

How can you donate?

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
BANPAIS - 010550006955

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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AMIGOS ESCUELA DEL VIDRIO

