

CARLSBAD HI-NOON ROTARY MONTHLY HI-JINX ADDENDUM SEPTEMBER, 2011

INTERNATIONAL SERVICE

Clean Water for Belize Schools, 2011

Carlsbad Hi-Noon Rotary, in cooperation with Bixby Rotary in Tulsa, OK, and San Ignacio Rotary in Belize, is helping to finance a clean drinking water project to benefit **all school children in the country of Belize**.



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Why Belize?

- It's international, close by and a desirable tourist destination.
- It's easily accessible by air for both freight and travel.
- There is a lack of safe drinking water in the country.
- Belize has a stable government and welcomes foreign visitors.
- Belize has nine Rotary clubs, two Rotaract and five Interact clubs.
- English is the official language.

Why Now?

The lack of safe drinking water is the primary cause of disease in the world today. Water borne pathogens account for 90 percent of deaths of children each year. When children die from water borne diseases, it is a horrible death.

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What is Provided?

We are providing five-gallon water dispensers with Sawyer Point One filters capable of filtering 500 gallons of potable water per day. See insert. Sawyer is a Florida company.

How Will the Financing Work?

District 6110 in Oklahoma is putting up \$39,500 to our district. Hi-Noon Rotary is putting in \$5,000 which is matched by our Rotary District. The resulting \$49,500 is matched by Rotary International which gets the total to \$99,000.

What is the Schedule?

Once the project receives final approval, we expect to ship the filters and dispensers to Belize in early 2012 where San Ignacio Rotary will assemble the filters, provide education and training on use to each school and orphanage, and deliver the filters to all locations in the country. Our target project completion date is July 1, 2012.

SAWYER®



These filters use the same technology used by Kidney Dialysis adapted to water filtration.

Each Sawyer Filter is back-washable, and guaranteed for over 1,000,000 gallons of water processing.

They require no electricity and are gravity fed, from one five gallon bucket of dirty water, through the filter, and draining into a glass, pot, or any clean water container below.



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