



# RAMÓN ROSA SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION

## PROJECT GOAL

Build a three-classroom concrete school building with water and sanitation to improve the quality of instruction for 143 students from Kindergarten to Grade 6 in Los Plancitos, Honduras.

## DESCRIPTION

This project will give students adequate space to learn and thrive in a clean and comfortable environment, protected from harsh weather conditions. The new building will also have 6 bathrooms, a handwashing station, and electrical, lighting and plumbing systems to accommodate increased enrollment. This project is expected to impact 143 students directly, and 914 community members indirectly.

## CHALLENGES

- Students and teachers are in dire need of a building to support instruction and provide adequate space.
- Currently, two classrooms are being used for teaching Grade 5 and Grade 6.
- Kindergarten students are taught under the veranda, and the rest of the students are taught in an outdoor covered area without walls.
- Teaching outdoors poses many difficulties since students and teachers are exposed to harsh weather conditions, and teaching materials are often ruined. As a result, classes are at times delayed.
- Teachers have also had to use untraditional spaces to hold classes. For instance, Kindergarten students were previously taught in an old kitchen.
- The school lacks adequate furniture, and any existing furniture is in very poor condition.
- Children find it hard to concentrate on their lessons and morale is greatly affected.
- Many parents do not see the point in sending their children to school in such an unmotivating atmosphere.



*A Kindergarten student learning outside*



*Boys sharing a desk*



*Students in outdoor classes*



*Overcrowding inside one of the classrooms*



*Structure previously used for Kindergarten*

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## IMPACT

The construction of a new school will support the improved quality of learning of the students, which is key for their success in future studies. This project will:

- Provide students with an adequate and comfortable classroom space, improving their performance in school activities.
- Allow teachers to teach classes and hold meetings privately to discuss different topics with students and parents.
- Provide a suitable environment, protecting students from harsh weather conditions. Additionally, the school furniture will be protected, and will have a long useful life.
- Motivate more parents to send their children to school now that they will be in a safe environment, increasing enrollment numbers.



*Kindergarten classes taking place outdoors*



*Boys in outdoor classes*

“We have a big necessity for new classrooms so our children won’t be exposed to the cold, water, and sun. The Los Plancitos population is constantly growing, [which] makes [it] a necessity for kids [to have] a good education every year. In the case of the [Kindergarten] students, they now have to receive classes outside because some walls of the kitchen, where they received classes, [have] collapsed. [This has made it] impossible [for them] to use the building as a classroom.”

- Jose Ortiz, Director of Ramón Rosa School



*Jose Ortiz, Director of the school*

## COST

**87,750 CAD = a new, three-classroom building where 143 students can receive a quality education.**



***Thank you for considering this request!***