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Build a Preschool Classroom

1. Synopsis – The Guatemala Ministry of Education has mandated local communities to provide preschool to local children. Many of the communities do not have the extra classroom space at existing facilities to support this requirement. The tiny community of San José Sinache #4 only has three classrooms to support the elementary grades one through 6. Each room serves to education two grades at a time, reminiscent of one room schools.
2. Areas of Focus
 - a. Supporting Education – Creating a welcoming environment for young children plants the seed of learning.
3. Request – Q113,155/\$14,700 plus \$675 if the table and chair sets are included.
4. Commentary – Preschool education is the foundation for future learning. The community has the land for the classroom. There is an ongoing request for desk and chair sets to outfit this classroom and other preschool classrooms. These are brightly colored, locally made tables and chairs that accommodates four children each. The original request is for 100 sets. In 2022, Amigos de Guatemala was able to provide 30 of them. The cost per set is Q1,000/\$135. Depending on the class size, four or five sets are needed per room. The request came from the principal and superintendent of schools for the municipality of Zacualpa to ADIZ, which is a local NGO in Zacualpa, el Quiché that Amigos de Guatemala has partnered with for over 15 years.

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