



## ANNUAL REPORT

July 2016 to July 2017

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Many thanks to **Show Home Furniture** for donating \$15,000 to purchase land for the Giving Hope Community Centre. Your generosity is truly appreciated!

### Thank you to our Associates and Donors

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A special thanks to **Melisa Rasmussen** for providing a wonderful Christmas dinner to five well deserving families in Chimaltenango, Guatemala.

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Face painting was one of the many activities that made the Grand Opening of the Giving Hope Community Centre a fun day. The children of Chimaltenango celebrated with piñatas, a soccer tournament, and traditional Guatemalan food (tostadas, horchata, and pastel).

Thank you **Diana Sim** for bringing so much joy to the faces of little Guatemalans with your face painting!



# GIVING HOPE COMMUNITY CENTER GRAND OPENING!!!

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**At** the same time, we worked hard to renovate the third floor of the Community Center. We installed electricity, a new roof, water boom, and four brand new windows to make the top floor a more functional space.



The third floor renovations have given the children of Chimaltenango, Guatemala a better view of a brighter horizon.





In August 2016 we introduced our first program for youth of the community! A hair dressing course gave many young women of Chimaltenango the opportunity to learn the skills needed to succeed in this vocation. This opportunity empowered many girls to strive for a sustainable and productive means of supporting their families.

Beautifully  
Empowering!





## Tooth Brushes for every one!

**Raina Forbes** brought smiles to the children of Guatemala by giving them tooth brushes. The kids are so excited and grateful to be able to embrace new healthy habits. Thank you, Raina!!



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**We** transformed an ugly latrine into a nice, modern bathroom. Now the volunteers have a much needed, clean place to shower.



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One of the most amazing experiences we had on our last trip was the Family Finances course. This course enabled leaders of the community to them share their expertise to help families become financially stable. The objective was to teach strategies on successfully prioritizing homelife essentials, better administration of resources, self sufficiency, as well as creating and achieving goals to support their families, community and faith.



We invite you to make plans in your life to get out of your comfort zone and donate some of your time and resources to make a difference in the world.

When we give some of our time to the children; they give us the most wonderful smiles. We feel privileged to have the opportunity to help the children and families of Chimaltenango, Guatemala grow into happy healthy communities.

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