### **Rotary District 6600**

Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world.

-Nelson Mandela



Everything in this schoolroom was donated to the community of Nuevo San Juan, Orange Walk District, Belize during Mission 6



I.T. professional Elvis Shuneh checks out computers at the Savanna-La-Mar Preschool, Westmoreland Province during Mission 1 to Jamaica



Education is for improving the lives of others and for leaving your community and world better than you found it.

-Marian Adelman

Resource Centers International is a project of the Rotary Clubs of District 6600, and MESA its international arm.

**Our mission** is to establish Resource Centers in Infant and Preschools and libraries in communities that lack basic educational resources.

### The mission objectives are to:

- Coordinate all activities with local Rotary Clubs and Ministries of Education.
- Outfit centers with equipment and supplies.
- Give Workshops to teachers and parents on how to get most benefit from donated equipment and supplies.
- Provide continued support over time.

Next in importance to freedom and justice is popular education, without which neither freedom nor justice can be permanently maintained.

-James A. Garfield



Preschool education professional, Elana Honig conducting a workshop with parents and children at the Trinidad school, Belize.



The objective of Preschool professional Suzanne Saunders during Mission 1 to Jamaica was to evaluate their school system so that RCI can better meet the needs of the preschools when conducting future missions. Preschool education is universal and free in Belize and Jamaica.





The Rotary Club of Savanna-La-Mar helped unload the container during Mission 1, Jamaica.



The container arrived late and we all worked well into the night. In this, as in all missions everything arrived with minimal damage.

#### **PUTTING A MISSION TOGETHER**

All the equipment and supplies for a mission are collected and stored in the MESA Warehouse in Findlay, Ohio. Shipments are sent via container to Jamaica or Belize where everything is stored until the mission team arrives. Approximately 20 sites are set up during each mission.



Loading a container at the **MESA** Findlay warehouse

### What we send to each center

Books Tables/Chairs
Computers Sports
Equipment
Toys and games
Televisions VCR/VHS tapes
Shelving Overhead Projectors

**Almost everything we send is donated!** Our biggest expense is getting everything to where it needs to go. Of our annual budget, 75% is for shipping and transportation.

## YOU CAN BE A PART OF A WORLDWIDE TEAM!

### FOR MORE INFORMATION GO TO OUR WEBSITE AT:

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"The Resource Center International Theme Song" by Laila Salins

"Resource Centers International One by one, strengthening communities, Resource Centers International Building new opportunities.

Rotarians, wherever they go, Honoring service above self – Resource Centers International Together we can make this vision grow."