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Guajira Water Desalination Project

The Rotary Clubs of Maitland and Bogota-Occidente in Colombia are teaming together in an effort to build a new water desalination plant needed to serve a population of about 3,000 people, located in a town called Kamuchasain, some 15 minutes from the city of Riohacha, capital of the State of Guajira, in the upper part of Colombia, next to the border with Venezuela.

The purpose of this project is to convert salty water extracted from a well right next to the ocean shore into potable, drinking water that will not only serve the community but specially to the student population of about 700 infants and to help in a way raise the standard of living of this community.

To see this people smiling and feeling good for the benefits received is our best Rotary reward.

To develop this project, the host club, the Rotary Club of Bogota-Occidente, is working in cooperation with several governmental institutions such as the Colombian Army, a package carrier and a road contractor. This club and our club are responsible for managing and overseeing the investment funds of this project.

In addition, the Rotary Club of Bogota Occidente has been working with the local government to ensure that the construction of this facility fits the plan of development for the indigenous community toward solutions of bringing in water of superior quality. A well-defined plan has been established to cover design, installation, maintenance, training, health and hygiene practices, management through water committees and by creating a social awareness of the benefits of this project.

This grant is in the final stage, funding is complete and construction of the plant will begin soon and expected for delivery to the community in about four months.

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