



2007 Update

New & Noteworthy

We've had a very successful year, and have already started out on the right foot in 2007. The beginning of 2007 has brought many donations, along with some new projects. We have plans to assist a school in Guatemala through OPTCO's Beans for Books program. This is a school and community heavily damaged during hurricane Stan. We are planning on contributing money for books and repairs. We will continue the sponsorship of the traveling teacher in Jinotega, Nicaragua.

Accomplishments

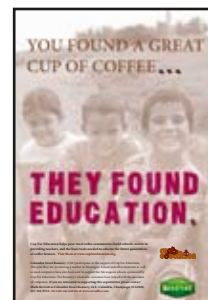
We would like to share the successes of Cup for Education over the past six months. Small donations can bring change to children in coffee-growing communities.

In Mexico, we donated money for the support of thirty-six students in the cooperative of Cesmach in the state of Chiapas. In Costa Rica, we donated two brand new Spanish-ready Dell Computers for the established computer lab at the Finca of La Hilda. In Guatemala, we have donated money to make badly needed repairs to the roof of a schoolhouse in the region of Huehuetenango.



We have also made connections with a school in Uganda, where we can sponsor students from the coffee-growing areas to attend school with the necessary supplies, transportation, and proper uniforms for an entire year. Our first student's name is Celia. We hope you will support Cup for Education. With your help, we can really make a difference for the next generation of coffee farmers.

Columbia Street Roastery has contributed to the project in Nicaragua for the teacher sponsorship, and will be donating a percentage of their internet sales to Cup for Education.



Medico Project 2007

Cup for Education was proud to sponsor the cost of shipping crates of educational materials and school supplies to the MEDICO organization on their recent field trip to Honduras. We also donated additional supplies. MEDICO is an independent nonprofit foundation that sends volunteer medical teams into developing countries to provide free services for people with little or no access to basic medical care. In addition, when available, educational needs of these communities are addressed.

News and photos from Naranjito Banaderos, Honduras. Excerpt from MEDICO trip report.

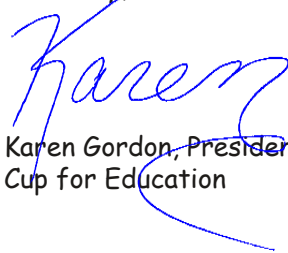
The community was made of some 19 villages scattered amongst the coffee plantations in the Merendon Mountains totaling over 4,000 residents in all. There were 6 schools that supported these communities, each with an average of 30 to 40 students in their respective school grade levels, i.e., they were small schools. We were able to pack 6 crates of new and used school supplies for distribution to these schools of which they were greatly appreciative. Included in the crates were notebook paper, construction paper,



new pencils, colored markers, crayons, folders, binders, glue, flash cards in Spanish, books in Spanish, maps, games, and classroom supplies. Due to their remoteness and the sheer cost of supplies, these schools and the students within struggle with some of the very basic supplies we take for granted here in the states.

We distributed one box of supplies directly to a school in a village we visited on our first day of arrival. The rest of the schools all sent their students and the maestro up to our clinic where we gave them the supplies.

Sincerely,



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