



Canadian Friends of Oaxaca Inc. (CANFRO)
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Annual Project Report & Budget Request

Previous Fiscal Year	2019/20
Name of Project	School Sponsorship Project
Project Manager	Penny Hopkins
Approved Budget	\$151,000 MXN +\$450 CAD gift money
Actual Expenditures	\$144,345.70 MXN +\$46,900 approx Covid gift money
Comments	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The School Sponsorship Project supports access to education by providing uniforms, books, shoes, supplies, fees, medical care and other related services. • Since most of the school sponsorship funds are spent early in the school year, from a financial perspective, 19/20 appears to have been a normal year. However, Covid-19 closed schools in March and learning went, more or less, to online delivery. Most of the CANFRO parents are vendors, so their livelihood was shut down as well. Dire circumstances indeed. • CEI was closed for several weeks and then again for several weeks in response to Oaxaca's Red/Orange/Yellow/Green Covid-19 status. They have now installed a variety of safety barriers in the offices and restricted access to 'appointment only' for picking up backpacks, shoes, inscription fees etc. • We have an amazing group of sponsors.! In late spring sponsors for all 50 CANFRO students sent in their annual \$300 CAD donations for the 20/21 school year even though we did not know what that year might look like. Many of them also responded generously to our request for additional donations (no receipt given for these funds) to provide cash gifts to every CANFRO family. In early June CEI handed out at least \$800 MXN per family. Receipts from each family will be included in the next reporting package. • CANFRO covered the cost of braces for one student. • The CEI accountant, Elisa, contracted Covid-19 and has been slowly recovering at home. As a result, CANFRO has not received the reporting package for the March – July period usually delivered in August. Elisa should be back at CEI by the end of September and will make that delivery as soon as she can. 	



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Requested Budget	\$150,000.00 MXN plus gift money \$100,000.00
Comments	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • For this budget we have used the usual calculation of 50 students X \$3000MXN per student. However, it is difficult to give an accurate estimate of what funds will actually be needed. • For now, school has started remotely with classes being delivered via TV. CEI is working to provide TV access for students whose families do not have a television. • Students have received backpacks and school supplies. They will all receive their annual pair of street shoes and gym shoes. So far some have been required to pay inscription fees and some have not. As Oaxaca eases from 'yellow' to 'green' schools may reopen and students will require uniforms and inscription fees. However, there is no way to predict the timing and CEI staff expect that Oaxaca will experience a rise in Covid-19 case that will move the city back to 'Orange' or even 'Red'. • Students are distributed as follows for the 20/21 school year: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Kindergarten – 0 Primary (gr. 1 – 6) 16 students Secondary (gr. 7 – 9) 19 students Preparatory (gr. 10 – 12) 9 students University 6 students Total 50 students • A second round of gift money \$950 MXN has gone out in mid August. Receipts from each family will be included in the next reporting package. • A special thanks to donors who provided support for the two rounds of cash gifts. We expect that families will need at least one other round. Donations for cash gifts are welcome at any time. 	