



GUATEMALA VILLAGE HEALTH
Improving Lives One Village at a Time

Dear Friends,

December 6, 2021

It has been another remarkable year. A heartfelt **Thank You!** for your willingness to stand by Guatemala Village Health through it all! Despite 2021's challenges and uncertainties, we have continued to persevere by renewing our medical trips from the US, deepening the impact of existing programs through focus groups and feedback from our Guatemalan staff, and building new initiatives in education. Our **newsletter enclosed** walks through the highlights, and we encourage you to dig deeper on our website and read about the programs that you have championed or learn about new ones.

As we begin our planning for 2022, we ask you to continue the journey with GVH and work through the challenges that may arise in an international healthcare climate, forever changed by a global pandemic.

A few key highlights you made possible during the past year as you enabled GVH to:

- Continue to track and monitor the impacts of COVID-19, as well as supply the necessary resources and education tools to keep transmission low in the communities we serve.
- **Complete construction** on the two story center Chinachabilchoch, and look forward to finishing the clinic for 2022.
- Renew **village visits** every 6 weeks by our Guatemalan staff and US teams returned in April and August, along with a second successful container shipment in September.
- Strengthen collaboration with the **Guatemalan Ministry of Health (MoH)**.
- Identify key risks with our Healthy Babies nutrition programs to address in 2022.
- Fulfill one of our Board of Directors' pledges to start to "decolonize development" by **involving our Guatemalan staff** in all phases of our annual planning efforts.

You are directly contributing to UN global health sustainable development goals at a more crucial time than ever. This year we would be thrilled for you to become a **monthly donor** by visiting our website at www.gvhealth.org. At the \$15/mo. level you can receive 1 pound of Guatemalan chocolate or coffee and at the \$25/mo. level, a pound of each as supplies last. This is the **best way to support GVH** as it gives us stability month to month. End of year donations are gratefully accepted as well - they can make a tremendous impact.

Together we can make lasting change in Guatemala.

With gratitude, peace and health,

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