



Your old laptop or computer can mean a new life for a kid in Mexico

Computadoras Pro Jovenes



Computadoras Pro Jovenes is a group of volunteers who believe the children of San Miguel need computer skills to succeed in today's world.

We provide computers, support and volunteers to rural kindergarten and elementary schools, college scholarship recipients, and kids with special needs.

We have placed over 1,000 pieces of donated equipment at more than 100 sites – *at no charge to the kids.*

Here's why we do it!

From a teacher (in her words):

I'm very grateful with you ... we began to show the all the things that we can find and do in the computer, when I show the encyclopedia they want to see everything, and this days they arrive very early in the mornings because they want to learn how to use and use it, you can't believe it when we're in the computer they're so quiet and you know this is so hard and all the attention is with the programs ... now they have the technology and the world in their hands, the donations it's going to change and open their mind and their vision to their future, now they're have more options to do in their lives.

*I'm so grateful ... Disculpen mi Ingles pero estoy muy emocionada por que vi en mis alumnos esa alegria y ganas de conocer el mundo.
Con Cariño y Respeto, Elia*

From a scholarship recipient:

M is a student at the Universidad de Michoacan studying Odontology. Her mother does domestic work and her father is a carpenter. Both attended only primary school. M has 6 siblings and her goal is to help her community by becoming a dentist. She is a determined young lady. She is only able to return home once a month because her school in Morelia is about a 7 hour bus ride. In her thank you note she wrote, "I will put forth all of my effort to make the best of this and everything that this organization has given me, and will repay you by succeeding in my studies."



From a high school student:

R is a top notch student who plans to go to college. Recently, her school said she had to keep the keyboard and mouse on the table next to the monitor. Not unreasonable except that R was born without arms. So, we gave her a computer and now she has the monitor on a table at home and the mouse and keyboard on the floor. She writes "Gracias por la computadora, mi vida es posible cambiarla cuando aprendo estas clases que son muy importantes para mi, Muchas Gracias, R."



Expand young minds – not landfills.

Donate your computer to kids in Mexico.



You can help ... it's easier than you think →

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It all started in 2005

when an American retiree in San Miguel de Allende, Mexico bought a new flat screen computer monitor. He wondered aloud about getting rid of his perfectly adequate CRT monitor.

Another gringo knew of a school principal here who

had a computer, but no working monitor.

Bingo! His trash became another's treasure!

Shortly after that another school principal said he had two working computers but only one mouse. Another "bingo", another easy fix.

By now several gringo computer nerds in San Miguel came to the realization that an organized group might make a regular thing of recycling "surplus" computers to Mexican kids.

The fledgling organization was named Computadoras Pro Jovenes ("computers for the benefit of kids") or CPJ for short. We now have over 60 volunteers.

So far, CPJ has donated over 1,000 pieces of computer equipment to:

- schools, primarily rural elementary schools
- college scholarship recipients
- children and youth unable to attend school in a regular classroom: kids paralyzed from the waist down, kids with autism and other physical and mental disabilities.



We provide equipment and support without costing the community, kids or parents a cent.

We accomplish this via volunteers and donated materials and services:

- **CPJ volunteers visit schools, install software and help teachers and kids.** Ongoing support is what makes the program work. Kids have to learn to use the computer ... then they can use the computer to learn.
- **Volunteers rehab and track donated laptops and computers,** installing a Spanish operating system, keyboard and word processing program.

We solicit desktops locally and laptops worldwide.

If your gently used old laptop or computer has a Pentium (or faster) processor, we'd love to give it another life here in Mexico.

Please spread the word! Distribute this information to your faith group, fraternal organization, work place and friends. Need more brochures? Download from our site www.cpjmx.org or email us.

Yes, "Norte Americanos" can donate.

Yes, we can receive laptops (not desktops) from the US and Canada (unfortunately we cannot accept desktops from the US and Canada at this time).

We are also happy to receive your monetary support. Visit cpjmx.org to give via Paypal. Please email us with your questions.

For more information or to join us see

www.cpjmx.org or email us at

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Muchas gracias !!!