

This past year was incredibly busy and productive. Throughout the year, we always had a construction project going, starting with an elementary school building, then moving to bathroom facilities for two elementary schools, and finally with a middle school building which is now in its final stages of construction.

At the same time, we supported over 450 students in three elementary schools and a middle school with educational materials and school supplies. We also opened a fourth community-run computer lab and gave more computers to the middle school we helped start. For that middle school, we also hired a second teacher to expand it to two grade levels. Additionally, we donated 25 whiteboards to seven schools, continued supporting eight scholarship students, and started a vitamin-fortified, daily school snack program in an elementary school.



All this was made possible by you, our supporters, who donated an impressive \$168,916. Your generous support enabled us to pull forward many projects that we had planned with



various communities, but had not expected to be able to begin yet. Now, with 171 individual donors, we are looking forward to continuing to expand our support in the years to come.

All of us here at Next Step Equal Education are deeply thankful for everyone who has donated to support Q'eqchi' villages in their fight to develop the local educational system they deserve. They could not do it without you!

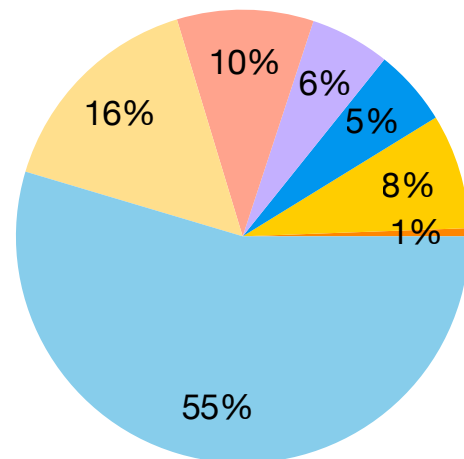
2023 Finances

Revenue: \$168,916

Expenses: \$177,033

School construction:	\$96,672
Classroom resources:	\$27,807
Computer labs:	\$17,248
Middle school classes:	\$10,079
School snacks:	\$1,023
Scholarship program:	\$9,686
Management and general:	\$14,517

Year End Balance: \$43,823



- School Construction
- Classroom Resources
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- Scholarship Program
- Management and General
- School Snacks

In 2024, we will continue expanding our Local Education Advancement Program (LEAP) projects to support many more students. Starting off, we will add two new elementary schools and a middle school to the schools we support with classroom resources, bringing the total to five elementary schools and two middle schools. With these three new schools, we will be supporting well over 800 students.



In March after the rainy season ends, we will begin building a five-room school facility for middle school, high school, and computer lab classes. Once completed, we will furnish these new classrooms along with three other classrooms in a middle school in a different village that is currently nearing completion.

Most notably, we will hire a teacher for the new high school we will be starting with the Ministry of Education. This will be the first high school ever opened in these villages. We will also support this high school with classroom resources.

Additionally, we will expand the school snacks program we started last year to a second elementary school. This will bring the total to over 170 students receiving a daily, vitamin-fortified snack in school.

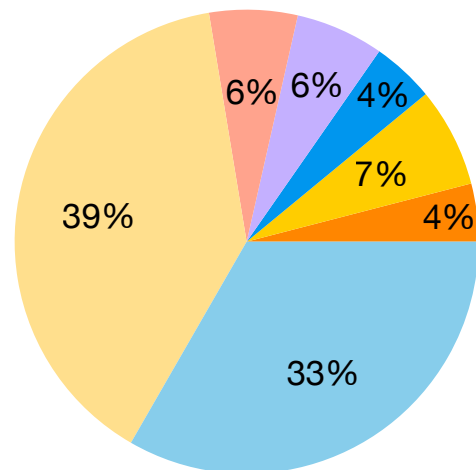
Finally, we will expand the capacity of two of the community-run computer labs by donating to them new computers, solar-power equipment, and furniture.

This year looks to be another exciting year for Next Step Equal Education. We look forward to continuing to collaborate with Q'eqchi' villages in Guatemala while connecting our donors to the incredible difference you are making in the lives of these children.



2024 Budget

Fundraising goal:	\$182,000
Expenses:	\$218,246
Classroom resources:	\$85,300
School construction:	\$72,700
Computer labs:	\$13,414
Middle school classes:	\$13,401
School snacks:	\$8,809
Scholarship program:	\$9,489
Management and general:	\$15,133
Fundraising:	\$0
Year End Balance:	\$7,011



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