

## Rotary Club donates X-ray equipment

The project includes the donation of 29 sanitary technology machines throughout the country.

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*With the donation, more than 3 million people will benefit.*

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The International Rotary Club yesterday donated a digital x-ray machine to the Central Antituberculous Dispensary, located in the capital zone 1, which will allow taking X-rays of the entire body. The patients benefited will be those residing in zones 1, 3 and 5 of the capital city.

The donated equipment has the capacity to store a million images that can be shared in real time, to be consulted by the radiologists of the hospitals San Juan de Dios and Roosevelt. In the Tuberculosis Dispensary, the Ministry of Public Health and Social Assistance (MSPAS) issues the lungs cards to those who require them for free.

Mark Maloney, president of the International Rotary Club, explained that Rotarians work in six areas and one is the treatment and prevention of diseases, for this reason, he said he was excited about the health donation project.

"This project is not only an example of a project that focuses on disease prevention but is also a good example of how the Rotary Club connects the world," he said.

The Minister of Health, Carlos Soto Menegazzo, thanked the Rotary Club for the donation, because he acknowledged that the portfolio has very little budget granted by the Government, to buy health technology.

This system is the tenth donation of 29 machines that Rotarians are expected to perform throughout the country. The project has an approximate cost of Q23 million.

Currently, Rotarians work in the donation of X-ray sanitary technology for Ixchiguán, San Marcos; San Cristóbal Verapaz, Alta Verapaz; Chupol, Chichicastenango, Quiché; Escuintla and Villa Nueva.

## **VISITED GUATEMALA**

Mark Maloney with his wife, Gay, visited Guatemala for four days to learn about the projects of different clubs. Yesterday after the delivery of the X-ray equipment, the couple left for Brazil to continue their tour.

### ***Places where there are installed equipment:***

- > Colonia Primero de Julio in Mixco
- > El Amparo, zone 7 of the capital
- > El Paraíso II, zone 18, capital city
- > Livingston, Izabal
- > Palencia
- > Fraijanes
- > Villa Canales
- > Gualán, Zacapa
- > Nahualá, Sololá