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Humanitarian Effort by Phenomenex

## PHENOMENEX EMPLOYEES BUILD KITCHEN AND EATING AREA FOR SCHOOL CHILDREN IN BELIZE

**Phenomenex** (California, USA; Macclesfield, UK; Aschaffenburg, Germany; Milford, New Zealand; Lane Cove, Australia; with Distributors in 60 countries - [www.phenomenex.com](http://www.phenomenex.com)), a global market leader for innovative chromatography products with more than 350 employees, has recently partnered with **4 the World** ([www.4theworld.org](http://www.4theworld.org)), a non-profit organization striving to improve the overall health education and living conditions of people, to build a kitchen and eating area at a school in **Selena, Belize**. Eleven volunteer employees from Phenomenex USA, Germany and the UK organized and then labored for 9 days in tropical heat in order to make a huge difference in the quality of health for the children of this small (300 people), countryside community. The new facilities will serve the children and community in many ways. In addition to providing a children's lunch facility and common area for school functions, it will also be used by volunteer medical staff expected soon to bring basic health care and vaccinations to village residents. Volunteers on the Belize School project also collected and brought more than 700 pounds of clothing, books and school supplies to the children.

By volunteering multiple people at a time and providing the team structure needed to carry out this project, Phenomenex not only built facilities for a community in need, it also helped the company reinforce the ideas of charity work among its employees (and hopefully our community at large). The Phenomenex mission statement commits the company to the well being of all stakeholders: customers, employees and community. Philanthropy and community service is strongly encouraged and has been embedded and practiced at all levels since its start in 1982. Nourishing humanitarian values at work is considered a founding principle without which the organization cannot survive or thrive. Mr. Fasha Mahjoor, President and founder of Phenomenex, remarked that this principle "has proven itself to bring to life an essential humanitarian vision within the organization. By building an institution that shows itself both progressive and enlightened, and by setting new standards in serving our employees and customers, we can transform our world in many good and worthwhile ways." The project was sponsored entirely by Phenomenex.

For further information on Phenomenex or any aspect of the Belize School project, please contact Mr. Tom Cleveland ([TomC@Phenomenex.com](mailto:TomC@Phenomenex.com)) or president and founder of Phenomenex, Mr. Fasha Mahjoor ([FashaM@Phenomenex.com](mailto:FashaM@Phenomenex.com)).

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