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## Chicxulub Food Bank Program

Check out the website for the Chix Food Bank [www.chixfoodbank.com](http://www.chixfoodbank.com)

Thanks to all of you who left small packages of donated items for the families and school lunch programs at my door. Every little bit goes a long way to help.

This month Andreas Quintana Roo elementary school received donated computers and there is a plan to offer computer classes to the grades 4-5-6 students. There is a buzz of excitement in the air.



As well at the same school there is and will continue to be a group of excited volunteers working with the same students teaching English. If anyone is interested in participating in either class next winter just let me know.

With enough volunteers the classes could happen from September to June not taking up a great deal of time for any one person. There is a program that is introduced to the students which means we have a system to work with.



Interest has also been expressed from the other elementary school Benito Juarez that we work with so there will be lots of opportunities.

We are now in the middle of semana santa and the despensa happened on a very warm day - about 40°. There is one more newborn expected in June. The babies receive a package of clothes, wash clothes, vitamins, toys and one can of formula. Also a large piece of netting while the supply lasts. The babies who were the first recipients last year are all doing well and look very healthy. Moms report they are doing fine.





I have some news for you hot off the press. This morning seeing Rita after two weeks she was very upset and worried. Her son, who lives in Chetumal is very ill, with extremely high blood pressure that they cannot lower. As well her restaurant may be bought by Corona and she wont know until they tell her which can be tomorrow or next month or ?? This puts the Food Bank in a tight spot. I am not panicking and taking one step at a time. As I need to find a new home I am on the lookout but for now we are still planning to operate out of Las Cazuelas. Keep your fingers crossed that I can find some place that is workable.

### **Tax Donation Process**

I want to let you know that the process of making donations to the Canadian Food For Children organization that will send you a tax receipt has been working very well. Comments to me indicate they are efficient and prompt. I receive notification from their office when funds are transferred to the Food Bank account.

Here is how you do it.

All you need to do is write the cheque to:

Canadian Food for Children

40 King George's Road

TO Ontario

M8X 1L3

Attention Mary Reid.

Include my name and Chix Food Bank project and they will issue the receipt and deposit the money into the Food Bank account here in Mexico.

Please advise me if you are making your donation in this manner so I can keep the records straight for the Adopt A Family program.

Until next month.... The families of Chicxulub thank you for your caring and warm support.

Sharon Helgason