Twinning 2020 - Amigas del Mundo: Connect, Grow, Impact!

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Girl Guides of Canada has a strong tradition of twinning with Member Organizations (MOs) of the World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts (WAGGGS) from around the globe. The Twinning 2020 initiative "Amigas del Mundo: Connect, Grow, Impact" will continue this tradition from 2014-2016. Twinning 2020 supports girls in creating international friendships with their Girl Guiding and Girl Scouting sisters while participating in cross-cultural learning opportunities to enhance their global perspective. Through twinning activities, girls will have the opportunity to understand their role in the larger world and become informed and responsible global citizens. This twinning project is different than past projects as there is no "giving" component from Canada. It is a partnership between us and our twinning country.

Saskatchewan has been partnered with Manitoba and El Salvador for this project.

Twinning 2020 Objectives:

- 1. To enhance engagement of girls in WAGGGS initiatives
- 2. To extend adult leadership opportunities through twinning initiatives and methods of delivery
- 3. To learn, understand and adopt WAGGGS's approach to youth learning The timeline for this project includes four key "touch points" for our members: World Thinking Day 2015, International Day of the Girl, World Thinking Day 2016, and Guiding Mosaic.

Get Involved!

One of the goals of our twinning project is to have girls and units to share their Guiding experiences with members in Manitoba and El Salvador. Each province/country involved has adopted a stuffed mascot to help facilitate this sharing. Prairie (SK), Snowflake (MB), and Bonny (E.S.) will travel to as many Guiding events as possible before Guiding Mosaic 2016. At each event girls and leaders are encouraged to share photos and stories via social media using #triplets2020. Send us an email (twinning@girlguides.sk.ca) if you would like Prairie to visit your unit.

The 'Twinning 2020 Challenge' and crest will be available to Guiders in September 2015.

We have set up a Facebook group, "WAGGGS Twinning 2020 - El Salvador, Manitoba, Saskatchewan." This enables Guiders in all three locations to communicate with each other. We are hoping that Guiders in Saskatchewan, Manitoba and El Salvador will communicate with each other and exchange ideas.

You can also follow us on Twitter (@Triplets2020) and share with us using #triplets2020.

If you have not yet shared your photos from the World Thinking Day instant meeting, please send them to twinning@girlguides.sk.ca .	