



**John and Adele Swift Development & Enrichment Center (JADE)**

*"...hard work and education will carry you through the world."*

*Mrs. Adele Swift*

Newsletter for Winter 2024

**JADE's Vision**

To change lives today for a better tomorrow.

**JADE's Mission**

To develop partnerships in communities to transform lives now in hope of a better future.

**JADE's Partnerships**

JADE is a tax-exempt non-profit organization based in Rialto, California. JADE was created for public and charitable purposes to provide funding for education and humanitarian needs. JADE has developed partnerships in communities within the Inland Empire, Belize City, and rural communities of Belize to provide tuition assistance for education; package and deliver food to the homeless, elderly, disabled, and low-income families; offer free vocational classes to women; providing students with free tutorial classes; contribute monies for medical emergencies and dialysis treatments; donate vitamin and iron supplements for children with HIV/Aids; and provide transportation and spiritual support to those in need.

**From JADE's President – Evadne Swift**

Happy New Year. The year is 2024.

Fireworks ushered in the new year here in Belize and throughout the world. For me, it was a time of reflection as I reevaluated the happenings in my life during the past year. In addition, it was an opportunity to establish personal goals for the new year such as starting an exercise program, finding a hobby, or taking my vacation which was postponed due to COVID.

I am most thankful that the flu season is over as many of us were under the

weather during the months of December, January, and February. I look forward to a healthier 2024.

**Math Tutoring**

Math is a core subject that students must pass to be promoted to another grade or graduate from high school. Monthly math tutoring classes for high school students began last September and will continue through April of 2024. An average of 15 students participate in the sessions. This service is financed by the Rotary Club of Rialto, which is located in California. JADE is hoping to add tutoring in other core classes, especially English Language Arts. The challenge is finding qualified teachers who are willing to volunteer their time.

**Volunteers Needed**

JADE is seeking volunteers in all core subjects to tutor students in primary schools (elementary and middle) and high schools. Please contact Evadne Swift or Gloria Swift at [swiftsgardens@gmail.com](mailto:swiftsgardens@gmail.com).

**Women's Ministry**

The women continue to meet on Wednesdays for fellowship and Bible study. On February 14, seventeen ladies visited Spanish Lookout, Cayo District, Belize. The time was spent sightseeing and shopping for household items.

## Orientation for New and Continuing Students

JADE's annual orientation was held on March 2. Director Gloria Swift conducted the meeting for parents and students. Attendees were informed of JADE's policies regarding financial support. Fifteen applications have been completed and processed.

We continue to stay focus on JADE's Vision and Mission. We are grateful for your prayers and financial support. God knows best, and we can trust Him to guide our path.

Spring is here! May you be blessed with much joy and peace as you make a difference in your home and community.

"Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives; he who seeks finds; and to him who knocks, the door will be opened."

Matthew 7:7-8 NIV

## JADE's Partnership with Hand in Hand



Hand-in-Hand is a 501(c)(3) organization operating in Belize. It is the only organization in Belize that provides for children with HIV/AIDS. Hand-in-Hand has partnered with JADE to provide vitamin and iron supplements for the children.

## JADE's Partnership with the Kidney Association of Belize

The Kidney Association of Belize (KAB) is a registered NGO which operates from Belize City. KAB educates the general public on preventative measures to avoid kidney problems. In addition, KAB offers or ensures availability of comprehensive and essential treatments and counseling to kidney patients and their families.

KAB's representatives reached out to JADE and the Board approved \$1,040 US to assist five patients with renal failure who desperately needed dialysis treatments.



### JADE is at Work with its Partners

- providing financial support to 25 primary and high school students in the form of tuition payments to schools,
- packaging and delivering food to those in need upon request,
- transporting women to and from small groups ministry,
- transporting students to and from JADE campus,
- offering outreach and counseling services to villagers,
- purchasing multivitamins and iron supplements for children with HIV/Aids,
- contributing money to Kidney Association of Belize, and
- providing daily acts of kindness based on human needs.

## Daily Acts of Kindness

Directors Gloria Swift and Alma Edison continue to distribute food and care packages to the homeless on the streets and in encampments in the Inland Empire.

### JADE's Board of Directors

Evadne Swift	President
Cheryl Russell	Secretary
Margery Swift	Treasurer
Directors: Linda Crawford, Alma Edison, Aracely Herrera, and Gloria Swift	

*You are invited*



We invite missionary groups to visit us in Belize. Please visit JADE's website [landingessentials.org](http://landingessentials.org) for more information.

**JADE is also accepting donations at**

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[swiftsgardens@gmail.com](mailto:swiftsgardens@gmail.com) and  
[landingessentials.org](http://landingessentials.org)**

**JADE's annual meeting will be held on April  
19 at 6 P.M. PST via WhatsApp.**

## Donations

Your generous donation, which is tax-deductible within the limits prescribed by law, will enable us to provide tuition assistance to students, provide emergency food packages, vocational training, and transportation to those in need.

You can donate by **Zelle to  
[jadeidollyMS@gmail.com](mailto:jadeidollyMS@gmail.com) or Zelle to  
(909)576-1180.**