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Matachica works with Queen's Health Outreach to educate the Belizean Community

Matachica Resort and Spa has joined the Queen's Health Outreach (QHO) as a corporate donor to educate the Belizean community on physical, mental and sexual health. QHO is a student-run, non-governmental organization dedicated to promote health through peer education initiatives locally and internationally. The NGO is administered by Queen's University in Kingston, Ontario, Canada.



QHO has been working in Belize since 2011 educating and informing Belizean youth about relevant health

issues, in particular the human immunodeficiency virus (HIV). Each year, two separate groups of peer educators conduct health education workshops around the six districts in Belize. The project consists of two phases, the Primary School phase focuses on providing health education to younger children, while the Secondary School phase trains high school students to become peer educators. Some of the key topics addressed by QHO are safe sex practices, puberty, mental health, child abuse, substance abuse and nutrition.

In a press release, dated Tuesday, May 13th, Matachica Resort and Spa announced its partnership with QHO and that they will be fully supporting the organization throughout their work in Belize. "We are honored to join forces with Queen's Health Outreach, and grateful for this opportunity to give back to our community," said proprietor Daniel Lighter, owner of Matachica Resort and GAIA Riverlodge.

To learn more on QHO in Belize visit qhobelize.wordpress.com.

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Sapriisa (Costa Rica), Real Esteli (Nicaragua)

Group 3: New York Red Bulls (USA), Toronto FC or Impact de Montreal (Canada), FAS (El Salvador)

Group 4: Tauro FC (Panama), D.C. United (USA), Waterhouse FC (Jamaica)

Group 5: Olimpia (Honduras), Portland Timbers (USA), Alpha United (Guyana)

Group 6: Alajuelense (Costa Rica), Cruz Azul (Mexico), Chorrillo FC (Panama)

Group 7: Leon (Mexico), Isidro Metapan (El Salvador), Belmopan Bandits (Belize)

Group 8: Comunicaciones (Guatemala), Club America (Mexico), Puerto Rico Bayamon FC (Puerto Rico)

The groups will be contested in a round-robin, home-and-away, four-game format, running from August to October in various venues, including Belmopan, Belize. Only the eight first-place teams will progress to the quarterfinals, which will kick-off in early 2015.

Belize has not been in the CCL for many years and the Football Federation of Belize (FFB) said that they are happy that this time around, Belize is able to participate in the league. The FFB has been working to improve the only FIFA certified stadium in Belize, the FFB Field in Belmopan. So far all the necessary lights have been installed with minor renovations being done. Works to improve the football pitch has been moving ahead and when completed, it will boast a high standard of field with grass imported from Mexico, in an effort to accommodate the international matches.

Schedules for the games will be announced in the coming weeks by CONCACAF.

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