

Light Up The World's Light Up Papua New Guinea Project Installation Update

The Nichola Goddard Light Up Papua New Guinea Project began with the first of the lighting system installations in July 2008. The general objective of the project is to improve the infrastructure in rural health care centres in rural PNG, with the focus being on facility lighting.

Eight solar powered LED lighting systems were installed in various rural health centres around Kiriwina and other islands in the Milne Bay province in Papua New Guinea as part of the project launch. Installations were completed by an installation team that consisted of an Architect from ATprojects Inc., a Technician from North America, and a team of local helpers.

On Saturday July 26th, the installation team managed to complete the installation of solar LED Lighting systems in four health centers. The health centers that received installations on this day include:

- Obweria
- Mutawa
- Tubowada
- Kaibola



** The installation team works on putting up the solar panel at the rural health facility on Kiriwina Island.*



** Installation team arriving by boat to install lighting system at Kuyawa*

On Sunday July 27th, the team purchase fuel and rented a boat for an early morning departure to two other islands. The team installed lighting systems in two rural health facilities on two different islands.

- Kuyawa
- Kaduwaga

On Monday July 28th, the team completed installs in two more rural health posts on Kiriwina Island before returning to Port Moresby by plane. The rural health posts that received systems on this day are:

- Sinaketa
- Okeboma

The team left equipment for a remaining two systems for Joshua William, the District Health Manager for Kiriwina island. Joshua and his team will install the remaining systems in two rural health facilities that were set to open in the near future.

As part of the project launch one demonstration systems was set up at ATprojects' headquarters in Goroka.

The Light Up Papua New Guinea project launch was a tremendous success due in large part to hard work of everyone involved in the installations. Installations could not have been completed without the support of the District and Provincial Health Offices. On the islands, the support given to the project by the people there who want it to work in honor of their friends, the Goddard's, was invaluable.



** A health care worker tends to a mother and child in one of the health facilities to recently receive LUTW's LED lighting svstems.*

Over the next 12 months, LUTW is aiming to install 118 LED lighting systems in rural aid posts, health centres and other rural health facilities as part of the Light Up Papua New Guinea Project. For this project to continue to have a positive impact on the lives of people living that rely on these health facilities in rural PNG Light Up The World needs your support.

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