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Press Release

The GARD Center celebrates its 29th Anniversary during Global Entrepreneurship Week 2018

The Gilbert Agricultural and Rural Development Center, a non-government, rural based training facility operates under the auspices of the Methodist Church in the Caribbean and the Americas.

We are celebrating our 29th Anniversary during the month of November 2018. The GARD Center in collaboration with GEW/CoESL will be hosting its annual activities for Global Entrepreneurship Week November 12-18, 2018 to include:

- GEW 2018 Awareness – Observer Radio
- Media Blitz – Antigua & Barbuda Today
- Let's Talk Business in Secondary School
- Art Competition
- Business as it is – Local Antiguan Entrepreneur

As part of this week of activities, there will be an Art Competition, Let's Talk Business and a Media blitz highlighting our young entrepreneurs who would have benefited in some way from our training programmes or are vibrant entrepreneurs in Antigua & Barbuda. The theme focuses on **NO ONE MUST BE LEFT BEHIND**: "*Creating Livelihoods for all through Entrepreneurship*;" with sub-



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theme, **"Recognizing Women, Youth and Inclusion in Entrepreneurship, as well as connecting ecosystems around the world"**.

During this 29th Anniversary, we will also commemorate and recognize our graduates who would have benefited positively from our Business Development services. They will share insights on entrepreneurship, the economic role of small business enterprise, and how to add value to products and services for marketability throughout the Caribbean as a whole.

The Board and staff of GARD Center are very pleased to be partnering with the Global Entrepreneurship Network in the Caribbean (GEN Caribbean) and CoESL, who along with over 160 countries will be celebrating this week of activities in support of entrepreneurs and aspiring entrepreneurs. We express sincerest appreciation to all who continue to partner with the GARD Center in sharing skills both technical and vocational, internships and job placements for our young GARD Center's graduates.

To our volunteers, and donors who have partnered with us in supporting the Center's mission in the lives of our youth at-risk across the nation of Antigua and Barbuda. We continue to hold true to ***"Strengthen the weak hands and make firm the feeble knees." Isaiah 35:3.***



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