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Servol gets US\$5,000 grant from Alcoa

A US\$5,000 grant has been approved by Alcoa Foundation for Servol.

The funds will be used to help purchase a Mechanical Workbench for the Advanced Skill Training Centre in La Romain.

This workbench will offer the convenience of prepared lessons and ease of use for instructors and students.

This piece of equipment will supplement the efforts of Servol's instructors to impart individual training skills to the young apprentices.

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FR GERRY PANTIN of Servol accepts a cheque from Sharon Lynch-Fadahusi, staff accountant at Alcoa.



Servol gets US\$35,000 from Alcoa

PETER BELL, station manager presents a cheque on behalf of Alcoa Foundation to Hennifer Housend of Servol. Carlton Daniel, Union Branch chairman, looks on.

IN November, Servol Ltd received a grant of US\$35,000 from Alcoa Foundation.

This grant will enable Servol Ltd to rebuild and enlarge their present training facility located in the Caroni sugar belt area to an appropriate standard. With the grant Servol will be able to open its doors to an increased number of applicants to be trained in their Adolescent Training Programme.

This programme is to improve employment opportunities and is also for those who have not been afforded the chance to acquire the appropriate skills for employment in today's world.

The present facility was an old mule pen located on the acre and a half of land in Forres Park and Servol Ltd was able to renovate it back in 1979. This facilitated training in auto-mechanics, welding, straightening and painting, electrical and home health aid and accommodated over 100 young men and women from disadvantaged areas of Trinidad.

With the passage of more than 21 years, the building is now in need of major renovations and some expanding and it is with this in mind that Alcoa Foundation recognised that this was a very worthy organisation.

It qualified for assistance under one of Alcoa's areas of

excellence—"Skills Today for Tomorrow". The Foundation, according to a release from Servol, sees this programme hitting home for these young men and women and literally gives them a sense of hope.

Alcoa Foundation is proud to be able to help Servol in its efforts to improve the prospects of the students in its Adolescent Programme.

The Alcoa Foundation was established in 1952 and based in Pittsburgh. It is a global resource that actively invests in improving the quality of life in more than 25 countries around the world where Alcoa operates.

In addition to community grants addressing local needs, the Foundation provides global grants focussing on areas of excellence, including: conservation and sustainability; safe and healthy children and families; business and community partnerships; global education in science; engineering technology and business; and skills today for tomorrow.

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