



**ROTARY:  
MAKING A  
DIFFERENCE**

# **District 9810 2017-18 Projects Portfolio**

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District 9810



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## **Message from Malcolm Chiverton District Governor 2017-2018**

RI President Elect Ian H.S. Riseley's theme for 2017-2018 is "Rotary: Making a Difference". This is a particularly apt theme because it is the essence of what we do, in both our local and other international communities.

However each of us chooses to serve, we do it because we know our service makes a difference in the lives of others. Whether we are building a new playground or a new school, improving medical care or sanitation, training conflict mediators or midwives, we know that the work we do will change people's lives - in ways large and small - for the better.

### **My Vision for 2017-2018**

#### **Membership and PR**

- Improve member retention.
- Encourage clubs to engage more in Rotary Club Central.
- Promote membership diversity in clubs by reflecting the communities in which they are located
- Encourage clubs to make use the extensive membership and marketing material available from Rotary International.
- Encourage each club to hold a membership seminar.
- Nett increase of 2 members (one to be a female) and 3 members for clubs with over 50 members.
- Enhance the public image of Rotary by applying the new logo material to all programs increasing social awareness.

#### **Projects and Planning**

- Encourage clubs to participate in clusters projects.
- Encourage participation of Rotaract and Interact to boost Rotary profile.
- Encourage all clubs to have a strategic plan.
- Encourage clubs to be involved in District and Global Grants.
- Increase collaboration with other organisations to form partnerships for local and international projects.
- Increase sustainable service, focussing on programs and activities that support youth and young leaders through the Rotary Foundation six areas of focus strategy i.e. peace, disease, water and sanitation, health and education and economic and community development.

#### **Giving**

- Increase club contributions to The Rotary Foundation.
- Continue to support the eradication of Polio. Clubs who contribute a minimum US\$1000 will see their donation grow to \$7500 with matching grants from Bill and Melinda Gates and District 9810. (Finishes 2018)

#### **Training and Development**

- Develop Future Leaders through Rotary Leadership Institute and Vocational Services.

## **2017-18 District 9810 Projects Portfolio**

The purpose of this document is to provide a summary of major Rotary programs, multi-district projects and significant Rotary club-based projects that D9810 clubs may consider supporting in the 2017-18 Rotary year. It is designed to be read in conjunction with the current District Directory.

### **Club Project Development Process**

The following is a step-by-step guide of how to develop Rotary club projects from a one off community event/project right up to a major local or international project that offers tax-deductibility.

### **Project Compliance Reporting**

Rotary clubs who have a turnover of less than \$150,000 are not required to register for GST and therefore cannot claim for GST. Note that “giving to others” (donations) should not be included in the total. Rotary Clubs are classed as “Not for Profit” and must register with Consumer Affairs to undertake fundraising. Annual returns must be completed and audited accounts must also be submitted if the fundraising turnover exceeds \$250,000.

### **Developing a one off community event/project**

1. Identify stakeholders.
2. Undertake a community needs analysis.
3. Identify project partners.
4. Complete a risk analysis using the district guidelines.
5. Check on insurance compliance (referring to the Rotary insurance policy).
6. Develop the project budget and determine the breakeven cost.
7. Investigate funding sources including:
  - a. Club fundraising
  - b. Rotary district grant
  - c. Sponsorships
  - d. Government grants
  - e. Council cash and in-kind grants
  - f. Businesses and philanthropic organisations
  - g. Interested individuals
8. Determine logistics.
9. Develop effective publicity ensuring the correct use of Rotary marks by either using your club logo based on the Rotary International Branding Guidelines or by positioning the statement “a project of the Rotary club of .....

### **Developing repeating community event/projects**

1. Identify stakeholders.
2. Undertake a community needs analysis.
3. Identify project partners.
4. Complete a risk analysis using the district guidelines.
5. Check on insurance compliance (referring to the Rotary insurance policy).
6. Develop the project budget and determine the breakeven cost.
7. Develop a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with project partner/s.
8. Determine the capacity of the club to run the event/project over time.

## **Developing a one off community event/project (continued)**

Investigate funding sources including:

- a. Club fundraising
  - b. Rotary district or global grants
  - c. Sponsorships
  - d. Government grants
  - e. Council cash and in-kind grants
  - f. Businesses and philanthropic organisations
  - g. Interested individuals
9. Determine logistics.
  10. Develop effective publicity ensuring the correct use of Rotary marks by either using your club logo based on the Rotary International Branding Guidelines or by positioning the statement “a project of the Rotary club of .....

## **Developing a major local or international project**

1. Identify stakeholders.
2. Undertake a community needs analysis.
3. Identify project partners.
4. Complete a risk analysis using the district guidelines.
5. Check on insurance compliance (referring to the Rotary insurance policy).
6. Develop the project budget and determine the breakeven cost.
7. Determine logistics.
8. Investigate funding sources including:
  - a. Club fundraising
  - b. Rotary district or global grants
  - c. Sponsorships
  - d. Government grants
  - e. Council cash and in-kind grants
  - f. Businesses and philanthropic organisations
  - g. Interested individuals
9. Run a pilot project.
10. Seek permission from the District Governor to promote the project within the district.
11. Fundraise for the first main stage of the project by presenting at other Rotary clubs.
12. Develop effective publicity ensuring the correct use of Rotary marks by either using your club logo based on the Rotary International Branding Guidelines or by positioning the statement “a project of the Rotary club of .....
13. Check to see if the projected budget is going to affect the club’s \$150,000 ceiling.
14. If required apply register the project for tax deductibility through RAWCS (Rotary World Community Service) for international projects. A 3% admin fee is charged on all non-Rotary donations. The donor does not pay this fee directly - it is charged to the RAWCS project account.
15. District 9810 has now established the “Rotary District 9810 Charitable Services Trust”, a tax deductible fund for projects within Australia that meet certain criteria set by the Australian Tax Office. For further information contact PDG David Alexander.
16. On-going project management and logistics including project supervision including local or international visits by authorised persons who have been registered for Rotary insurance cover.
17. If the project develops quickly seek permission from Governors from other districts to speak to clubs in those districts.

### **Major local or international project (structured as an Incorporated Association)**

1. Identify stakeholders.
2. Undertake a community needs analysis.
3. Identify project partners.
4. Complete a risk analysis using the district guidelines.
5. Check on insurance compliance (referring to the Rotary insurance policy).
6. Develop the project budget and determine the breakeven cost.
7. Investigate funding sources including:
  - a. Club fundraising
  - b. Rotary district or global grants
  - c. Sponsorships
  - d. Government grants
  - e. Businesses
  - f. Philanthropic organisations
  - g. Interested individuals
8. Determine logistics.
9. Run a pilot project.
10. Seek permission from the District Governor to promote the project within the district.
11. Fundraise for the first main stage of the project by presenting at other Rotary clubs.
12. Develop effective publicity ensuring the correct use of Rotary marks by either using your club logo based on the Rotary International Branding Guidelines or by positioning the statement “a project of the Rotary club of .....” directly under the Rotary wheel.
13. If the project is actively supported by other clubs in the district seek approval of the club’s board set up a separate Incorporated Association if projected turnover is going to affect the club’s \$150,000 ceiling.
14. Ensure that the Committee of Management of the new Incorporated Association is made up entirely from members of the Rotary club and include this statement in the Rules. This will ensure that all activities of this entity are under the control of the Rotary club and therefore covered by the Rotary insurance policy.
15. Provide a copy of the Rules of the Association to the District Insurance Officer for approval as an authorised associated Rotary entity.
16. If required apply register the project for tax deductibility through RAWCS (Rotary World Community Service) for international projects. A 3% admin fee is charged on all non-Rotary donations. The donor does not pay this fee directly - it is charged to the RAWCS project account. Individual Rotarians or Rotary clubs are not charge this fee but for donations for non-Rotary entities that are associated with Rotarians the 3% admin fee will be deducted from the RAWCS project account
17. District 9810 has now established the “Rotary District 9810 Charitable Services Trust”, a tax deductible fund for projects within Australia that meet certain criteria set by the Australian Tax Office. For further information contact PDG David Alexander.
18. On-going projects management and logistics including project supervision including local or international visits by authorised persons who have been nominated to comply with the Rotary insurance policy.
19. Report annually to Consumer Affairs for fundraising and audited accounts (if the total turnover exceeds \$250,000
20. Produce Annual Reports.

## **Travel and Accident Insurance while working on Rotary projects**

In addition to comprehensive insurance cover for normal Rotary activities at home comprehensive travel, disablement and death insurance is available to nominated persons who are authorised to work on Rotary projects in Australia and overseas including Rotary club members, their spouses (and de factos and partners), volunteer workers, honorary members, host families, prospective members (from the time their membership has been approved). It is recommended that any authorised persons travelling on Rotary business carry a copy of the Rotary Insurance Summary.

The ACE Emergency Assistance Phone number is + 61-2-8907-5995 overseas or 02 8907 5995 if ringing from within Australia.

Full cover is available for persons aged 13 years to 79 years and there are exclusions for persons over 79 years and persons over 95 are not covered. Travellers aged 13 to 79 years with pre-existing conditions are covered but only when medical clearance has been provided plus certain conditions as outlined in the policy. There are principal exclusions under the policy including dangerous activities.

The above comments are summaries only. Anyone planning to travel for a Rotary project is advised to read the following documents:

- Insurance Renewal Summary & Handbook
- Rotary Insurance Summary
- RAWCS Insurance Explained

## **Registering for Rotary Insurance**

There are two ways of registering for Rotary Travel and Accident Insurance:

1. Nomination of an authorised person/s by a club's board or a project's committee of management:
  - a. The nominated person's name, dates of travel (including any private travel) and destination/s to be included in the minutes of a meeting of the club's board or minutes of a meeting of an entity that is under the control of the club's board that has been approved for insurance cover by the District Insurance Officer.
  - b. The District Insurance Officer must be notified of the intention to travel at least one week before the travel commences.
  - c. The District Insurance Officer will notify the Insurance Brokers who will then provide a summary of insurance cover and insurer emergency contacts.
2. Nomination of volunteers for a RAWCS (Rotary Australia Community Service) project or a club project that is registered through RAWCS:
  - a. The authorised volunteer fills in a RAWCS Volunteer Application form online.
  - b. The completed form is printed out and is signed by the club President.
  - c. The signed form is scanned and uploaded to the RAWCS website.
  - a. The RAWCS website automatically informs the Insurance Brokers who then provide a summary of insurance cover and insurer emergency contacts.

## The Rotary Foundation (TRF)

Contact for Foundation Information: Tony Monley [acmonley+Rotary@gmail.com](mailto:acmonley+Rotary@gmail.com)

## Foundation Grants

Contact for Grants Information: District Grants Chair, Graham Richardson – [gmrichardson@bigpond.com](mailto:gmrichardson@bigpond.com)

## Club Qualification

Clubs must be qualified each Rotary year to apply for Global Grants, and to continue to manage them as a Primary Partner until closure. Clubs are not required to be qualified to apply for District Grants.

Qualification requires clubs to have at least one representative attend the District Grants Seminar (12<sup>th</sup> May 2017). However, the District Foundation Committee strongly encourages clubs to have both the President and Club Foundation Committee Chair for the coming Rotary year, attend this seminar.

Qualification also requires clubs to sign a **Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)** with the district, agreeing to its terms, and TRF's Terms and Conditions for Grants. **The MOU is to be signed by the coming year's President and President Elect.**

## R.I. Website References

Having logged in to the RI website using your My Rotary logon, roll the cursor over the menu item, *Take Action*, and under "APPLY FOR GRANTS" Click on *Qualification*.

Then, in the section, "RESOURCES AND REFERENCE", refer to the 3 articles:

Club Qualification Memorandum of Understanding

Club Memorandum of Understanding Resources - A Guide to Implementing the Club MOU

Club qualification worksheet and frequently asked questions

## District Grants

**District Grants are available for Local, Small International, Scholarship and Themed Projects** as determined by the incoming District Governor.

(Monetary amounts are expressed in AUD)

- Prior to, or at, the District Grants Seminar, the incoming District Governor will announce the types of grants and programs, and the District Designated Funding to be allocated to these programs.
- District (Humanitarian) Grants (DGs) assist funding of short-term projects, either local or international, that support the Foundation's Mission. They include:
  - **Local Projects:** Club contributions attract a DDF match, \$-for-\$ from \$1000 min to \$3,000.
  - **International Projects:** Club contributions attract a DDF match, \$-for-\$ from \$2,000 min to \$5,000.
- Scholarship Grants of \$1,000 will be available on an individual club basis, to fund small scholarships at secondary educational institutions. Clubs will nominate the school, college or educational institution, and the Principal will choose the recipient students (whose names may need to be kept confidential).



- **Scholarship Projects:** Club contributions of \$1,000 attract a DDF scholarship grant of \$1,000. The total scholarship may be used for up to 4 students. They are for situations of financial disadvantage, and must not be used for reward.
- **Other Themed Programs** announced by the incoming District Governor may also be available, details of which will be included when they are announced.
- **Clubs are required to nominate no more than one project for each Grant type available, preferably by the time of the District Training Assembly, but no later than 31<sup>st</sup> May.** This is to enable the District Committee to apply to TRF for the upcoming year's District Grant funds.
- Application forms for all District Grant types will be downloadable from the district website under *Club & District Operations / The Rotary Foundation / Grants*.
- Completed application forms should be directed to the District Grants Chair.

### District 9810 Guidelines

- When nominating DG projects, please use the format:

Grant Type	Project	Project Country	Grant Amount
<i>Hum/Sch/VTT</i>			

- An email with this information is preferable. (If later, a club wishes to substitute another project, you must notify the Grants Subcommittee Chair before submitting an application).
- Clubs may apply for their nominated grants from 1st July in the new Rotary year. Applications for other or additional projects will not be approved until the following January. No grant application can be approved until the Foundation has approved the District Grant.
- If applications for nominated projects have not been received by 30 November, reservation of the grant money for those projects will cease and be returned to the grant pool. From the following January, after assessing the remaining amount of DG money, grants will be awarded in sequence of their approval.
- All Grants are awarded on a per project basis, (not per participating club).
- When approving grants, consideration will be given to the Club's history of contributions to the Foundation.
- It is anticipated that most Scholarship grants will be paid by the start of the new school year.
- If the goods and/or services from a single supplier total \$500 or more, a Supplier Quotation must be provided with the application.
- Payment of humanitarian Grants is by way of reimbursement and dependent upon acceptance of a District Grant Report. This is to be accompanied by a copy of invoices and/or receipts, from which the statement of expenses in the report can be reconciled. The Report Form is available for download from the District website.
- Projects should complete within the Rotary year in order for the club to participate in the DG program in the following year. If a humanitarian project will extend into the next Rotary year, the outstanding balance of the grant will be paid to the club early in the new year. The club will then not be eligible for another DG until that project has been closed, (meaning the project is complete, a report on it is accepted, and any unused grant money has been returned to the District Grants Committee).

## Summary of District Grant Expenditure 2017/18

Total district funds available US\$64,940 = A\$87,669 (allowing for a conversion rate of 1.35)

District 9810 Projects	Total funds
<b>10 Scholarships of \$1,000.</b> Must be fully matched by the club contribution	<b>A\$10,000</b>
<b>Humanitarian Projects</b> Local – \$1,000 to \$3,000 with value of project being at least \$2,000. International - \$2,000 to \$5,000 with value of project being at least \$4,000. Both grant types require a Club matching contribution \$-for-\$. If project budget requires, clubs must contribute the additional funds needed.	<b>A\$77,169</b>
<b>Administration of Grants</b>	<b>A\$500</b>
<b>Total District Grants</b>	<b>A\$87,669</b>

## Global Grants

(Monetary amounts are expressed in USD)

- Global Grants assist funding of large scale International Humanitarian projects, Vocational Training Teams and post-graduate Scholarships, that align with one or more Area of Focus.
- Involve partnering clubs and/or districts in two countries – a Host Partner is a club or district in the country receiving the project benefit, an International Partner must come from another country and district.
- Respond to a need that the benefitting community has identified (and which is expressed in the Needs Assessment part of the online application).
- Projects must include the active involvement of the benefitting community, and also the non-financial involvement of Rotarians from the Host and International partnering clubs.
- Applications must include activities that ensure that project benefits continue after the project funds have been expended, (*sustainability*), – the target is 5 to 10 years of benefit.
- Applications must identify the measures that will be used to assess and report project progress and the success of the project. Targets must be set for these measures, (*measurability*).
- Partner clubs must accept responsibility for reporting to TRF, as required, which, at the time of reporting, describes project progress, the outcomes of financial control, measurability and sustainability.
- A separate bank account must be set up by the Host Partner especially for the project. Statements of expenditure must be included in the report and be able to be reconciled with the transactions shown on copies of the project account bank statement which are to be forwarded with each report. Reporting is an online process.
- Reporting obligations of all partner clubs and districts involved with other GGs must be up to date to receive a grant. (The online application prevents suspended clubs and districts from being involved).
- GG Applications will be processed year-round (there is no deadline for applications).
- Partner clubs must refer to the District Grants Committee as **early as possible** in the project development process to plan the availability of DDF for project funding and for guidance with developing the GG Application.
- Requirements for needs assessment, recruiting of partners for the project and project planning, take considerable time.

## Project Types:

- **Humanitarian Projects** – that derive from one or more of the Areas of Focus
- **Vocational Training Teams (VTT)** – that:
  - Enhance specialist knowledge of local professionals through teaching and practical guidance, or
  - Build skills within a community through the provision of local training, or
  - Support professionals travelling abroad for rigorous study within their profession.
  - VTTs may be most effective in conjunction with a humanitarian project
- **Scholarships** – that fund study by graduate students whose career goals support an Area of Focus.

## Funding of Global Grant (GG) Projects

- The minimum Global Grant is US\$15,000, and the minimum Global Grant project budget is US\$30,000.
- The District Foundation Committee has thus determined that the practical minimum amount for club contributions to a GG project is US\$10,000. This will fund a project budget of around US\$35,000, given TRF's minimum constraints.
- D9810 Club contributions of up to US\$10,000 and more will attract an equal District Designated Fund (DDF) match by the District up to US\$10,000 maximum, on a per project basis.
- Club contributions will receive a match from TRF of 50c-for-\$ contributed, for all club and district cash contributed to the project.
- Contributions of DDF will receive a match from TRF of \$-for-\$ contributed, for all DDF contributed to the project.
- The International Partners must contribute at least 30% of the total cash and DDF funding.
- Where club contributions are paid via TRF, that is, through the Regional Office (Parramatta), the club must add 5% to assist with the processing costs of TRF. For example, for a contribution to a project of US\$5,000 the club must pay US\$5,250. The total contribution will be credited to the club for PHF purposes.
- If the contribution is paid directly to the Host club's project account, the 5% addition is not required, but no credits will accrue and the contribution will not be eligible for PHF recognition.

## Funding of "Outside" Global Grants Projects

- With the agreement of the District Governor and Foundation Committee Chair, D9810 clubs may apply for the District to support GG projects with DDF, where neither of the Primary Partner clubs belongs to D9810.
- If the DDF is available, it will be provided to a maximum US\$5,000 per project, as long as it is matched equally or more to the DDF amount by the requesting D9810 club or clubs.
- There is no limit to the dollar amount contributed to such projects by the club or clubs, and the 5% levy must be included with the club donations if paid via TRF.

## District 9810 Procedures / Policies

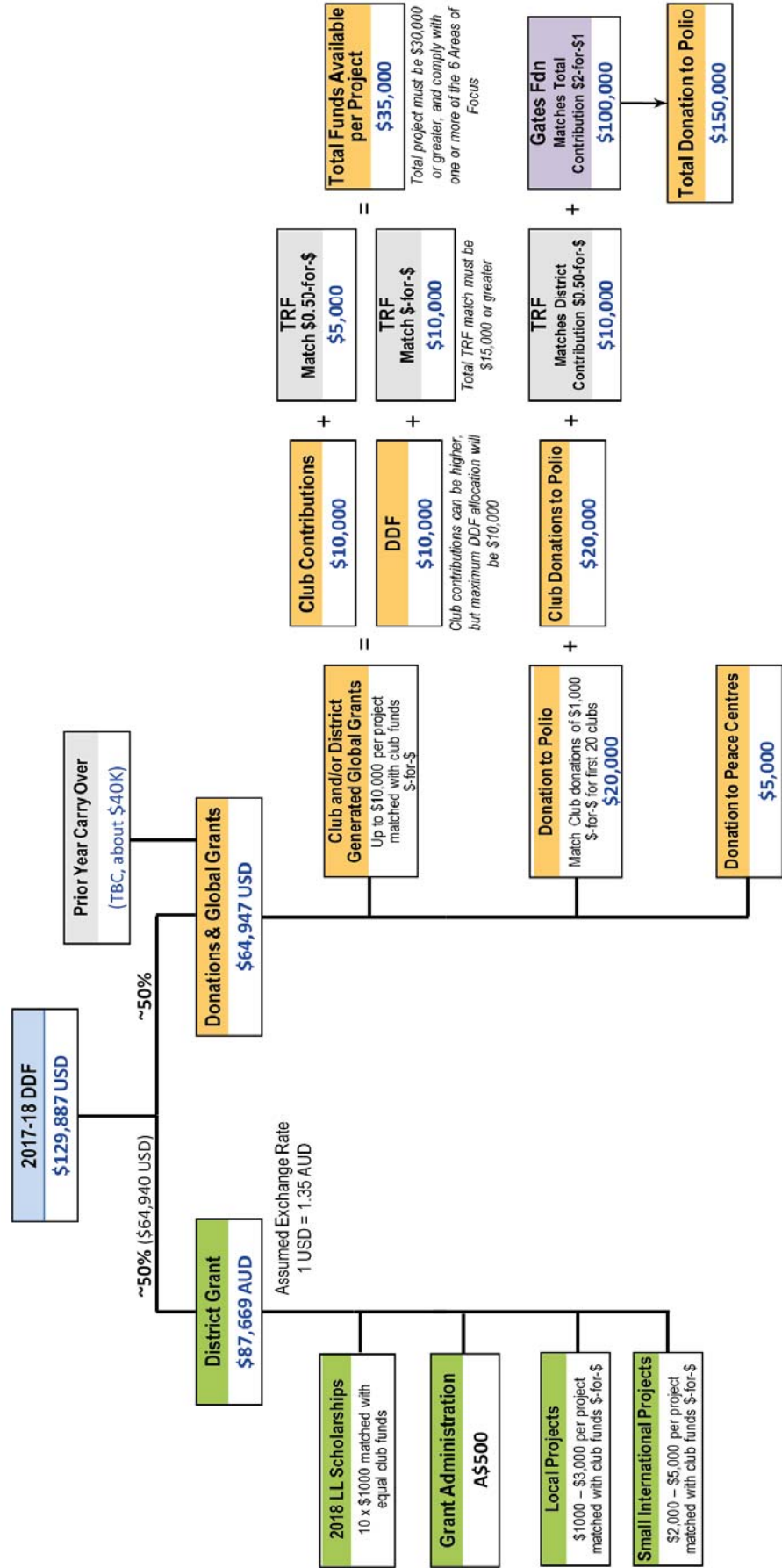
- Once your club has decided to undertake a GG project which is supported by its Needs Assessment, contact is to be made with the Chair of the District Grants Committee. A committee member will advise on TRF technical matters, the use and allocation of DDF, and assist with the development of your online Global Grant Application.
- Given the large amounts of money involved with GGs and the DDF resources available, it is probable that only a maximum of five to six new projects a year can be supported. The projects to be assisted will be selected by the District Foundation Committee, with selection based on the value of the project to the benefitting community, compliance with TRF's requirements, and the clubs' history of contributions to the Foundation and early notification of projects.
- If, within four months of notification an application is unlikely, the reservation of DDF for the project will lapse. GGs which fund Scholarships are also to be referred to the District Scholarships Committee chair, Peter Murie [petermurie@bigpond.com](mailto:petermurie@bigpond.com).
- GG Applications supporting Scholarships and VTTs need to be submitted to TRF at least three months before travel commences.

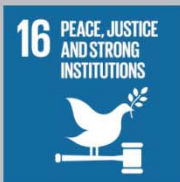
## Global Grant, Polio and Peace Centre Expenditure 2017-18 - amounts shown in USD

District 9810 Projects and supported programs	Total funds
<b>Global Grants</b> maximum of US\$10k matched	<b>US\$39,947</b> (Added to any funds carried forward from prior years)
<b>Polio Challenge Grants</b> A matching grant of US\$1,000 per club for the first 20 clubs that contribute at least US\$1,000 to Polio Eradication.	<b>US\$20,000</b>
<b>Peace Centres Contribution</b>	<b>US\$5,000</b>

# D9810 Rotary Foundation Committee

## 2017/18 DDF Allocation



 <b>FIGHTING DISEASE</b>	 <b>SAVING MOTHERS AND CHILDREN</b>	 <b>2 ZERO HUNGER</b>	 <b>3 GOOD HEALTH AND WELL-BEING</b>	
 <b>GROWING LOCAL COMMUNITIES</b>	 <b>1 NO POVERTY</b>	 <b>7 AFFORDABLE AND CLEAN ENERGY</b>	 <b>8 DECENT WORK AND ECONOMIC GROWTH</b>	 <b>9 INDUSTRY, INNOVATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE</b>
	 <b>11 SUSTAINABLE CITIES AND COMMUNITIES</b>	 <b>13 CLIMATE ACTION</b>	 <b>15 LIFE ON LAND</b>	
 <b>PROMOTING PEACE</b>	 <b>5 GENDER EQUALITY</b>	 <b>10 REDUCED INEQUALITIES</b>	 <b>12 RESPONSIBLE CONSUMPTION AND PRODUCTION</b>	 <b>16 PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS</b>
 <b>PROVIDING CLEAN WATER</b>	 <b>6 CLEAN WATER AND SANITATION</b>	 <b>14 LIFE BELOW WATER</b>		
 <b>SUPPORTING EDUCATION</b>	 <b>4 QUALITY EDUCATION</b>			
<b>Across all initiatives</b>	 <b>17 PARTNERSHIPS FOR THE GOALS</b>			

## **R.I. Website Grant References**

Having logged in to Rotary International website, roll the cursor over the menu item, *Take Action*, and under *APPLY FOR GRANTS* Click on *Global Grants*.

Then, under *RESOURCES AND REFERENCE*, refer to the publications:

*Terms and Conditions for Rotary Foundation District Grants and Global Grants*

*Areas of Focus Policy Statements*

*Grant Management Manual*

*Six Steps to Sustainability*

*Global Grant Lifecycle*

*Global Grant Monitoring and Evaluation Plan Supplement*

*Global Grant Online Application Process*

*10 Ways to Improve Your Global Grant Application*

*Reporting on Global Grants*

## **Vocational Training Teams**

VTTs offer participants the opportunity to use their professional skills to help others. Teams are comprised of experienced practitioners in fields related to the needs of a community which align with one of the Areas of Focus. Thus teams may travel to work and/or teach overseas, or to benefit the team members by enhancing their knowledge and experience. Hands-on activities will vary from one team to the next, but may include training medical professionals on cardiac surgery and care, sharing best practices on early childhood education, or coaching farmers on new irrigation techniques. A successful VTT increases the capacity of the host community to solve problems and improve the quality of life.

### **District Grant VTTs**

#### **Requirements**

District Grant VTTs must support The Rotary Foundation's mission to promote goodwill and peace, improve health, support education, and alleviate poverty.

#### **Team composition**

The district may determine the composition of the team to include Rotarians and non-Rotarians of any age. The focus and the length of the visit are determined by the sponsors. The districts may decide, for example, to incorporate some cultural activities along with hands-on training, or to sponsor an exchange with the partner district.

#### **Budget**

To be determined by the sponsors. DG support as described under "District Grants", above.

### **Global Grant VTTs**

#### **Requirements**

- Must align with one or more areas of focus
- Build the capacity of either the team members or the benefiting community, and
- Have a sustainable and measurable impact.
- The VTT must be sponsored by Rotary clubs or districts from two countries. The grant may support the travel of more than one team.
- A VTT can be included as part of a Humanitarian Global Grant.

### **Team composition**

- Must consist of at least two members (either Rotarians or non-Rotarians) with at least two years of professional experience in the designated Area of Focus, and
- A Rotarian leader who has expertise in the area of focus, international experience, and general Rotary knowledge.

In certain cases, the Foundation may grant permission to designate a non-Rotarian as team leader. There are no restrictions on the age of participants.

**Length of the visit:** Determined by the sponsors

**Budget:** Is subject to GG Conditions, and therefore must be at least US\$30,000.

A needs analysis is an essential task to be done in consultation with the benefitting community, in preparation for a Global Grant to support a VTT. Rotarians are encouraged to identify needs and find partners through the RI website, the District Grant VTT Partner Forum on LinkedIn, and by developing relationships at international Rotary meetings or project fairs.



## Rotary International Programs

### The Rotary Foundation

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#### Club Contributions

Clubs from districts who contribute to the Annual Fund can benefit by applying for district or global grants that are funded out of District Designated Funds (DDF). Up to 50% of the total amount donated to The Rotary Foundation by Rotary clubs or individual Rotarians three years previously is returned as District Designated Funds for investment in global grants, district grants and other Rotary international programs.

#### Club giving target for 2017-18: A\$150 per member per club

#### Planned Personal Giving

Tax deductible donations can be made through the Australian Rotary Foundation Trust. Contact the D9810 Foundation Chair for an application form.

#### Arch C. Klumph Society

Donors whose cumulative gifts total US\$250,000 qualify for the Arch C. Klumph Society.

#### Bequest Society

For couples or individuals who have made commitments of \$10,000 or more in their estate plans, such as in a will, living trust, or through whole or universal life insurance. You must ask to become a Bequest Society member by filling out a form.

<http://www.rotary.org/en/Contribute/DonorRecognition/IndividualRecognition/Pages/bequestsociety.aspx>

#### Major Donors

The Rotary Foundation recognizes couples or individuals whose combined personal outright or cumulative giving has reached \$10,000.

Level Contribution (US\$):

Level 4 \$100,000 to \$249,999

Level 3 \$50,000 to \$99,999

Level 2 \$25,000 to \$49,999

Level 1 \$10,000 to \$24,999

#### Paul Harris Society

Since 1998 Paul Harris Society Rotarians have pledged to contribute US\$1,000 annually to the Annual Programs Fund.

#### Paul Harris Fellow/Multiple Paul Harris Fellow

Donors of US\$1,000 or more to the Annual Programs Fund, PolioPlus, or the Humanitarian Grants Program, or people who have that amount contributed in their name, can be recognized as Paul Harris Fellows.

[http://www.rotary.org/RIdocuments/en\\_pdf/123en\\_write.pdf](http://www.rotary.org/RIdocuments/en_pdf/123en_write.pdf)

#### 100% Paul Harris Fellow Club

Rotary clubs in which all dues-paying members are Paul Harris Fellows can be certified as a 100 Percent Paul Harris Fellow Club.

#### Centurions

Centurions donate A\$100 or more (tax deductible) each year to The Rotary Foundation Annual Programs Fund via the Australian Rotary Foundation Trust.

## Rotary International Programs

### Scholars

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#### District Grant

Clubs can determine the types of scholars they wish to sponsor using funds from a District Grant. These could include:

- Undergraduate or graduate students studying locally, any subject matter.
- Undergraduate or graduate students studying abroad, any subject matter.
- Study periods of any length (language training, a certificate program, a semester, a year or more).

#### Global Grant

Scholarships awarded through global grants may or may not be a component of a larger grant application (e.g. scholarship plus a humanitarian project). If the grant is also funding a humanitarian project, the scholarship portion could be less than \$30,000, but the overall grant budget must be at least \$30,000. These scholarships are funded using cash and/or DDF allocations and are matched by the World Fund, making them a cost-effective choice.

These scholarships fund:

- Graduate students studying abroad in one of the six areas of focus.
- Scholarships lasting one to four years, thereby enabling Rotarians to fund entire degree programs.

#### Funding Scholars

**District Grant Scholarships:** Consult Grants Coordinator Graham Richardson – requires Club funding.

**Global Grant Scholarships:** Clubs may sponsor applicants independently, using cash for a World Fund match. In addition/alternatively, clubs may work through D9810 to obtain DDF funding for a World Fund match. The DDF allocation is drawn from the year in which the application is approved.

#### Application closing dates

**District grant scholarship applications:** contact Peter Murie for District 9810 timelines.

**Global grant scholarship proposals and applications** are accepted on a rolling basis throughout the year. Applications and payment information should be submitted at least three months before studies begin in order to allow adequate time for Foundation review and processing.

[http://www.rotary.org/RIdocuments/en\\_pdf/fv\\_grant\\_terms\\_conditions\\_en.pdf](http://www.rotary.org/RIdocuments/en_pdf/fv_grant_terms_conditions_en.pdf)

#### Opportunities for Rotarian Support

1. Become a councillor for a scholar.
2. Invite scholars to speak at your club.

#### Further information

Peter Murie [petermurie@bigpond.com](mailto:petermurie@bigpond.com) 0419 106 765

Graham Richardson - Grants Coordinator [gmrichardson@gmail.com](mailto:gmrichardson@gmail.com)

[http://www.rotary.org/RIdocuments/en\\_pdf/fv\\_scholarships\\_en.pdf](http://www.rotary.org/RIdocuments/en_pdf/fv_scholarships_en.pdf)

## Rotary International Programs

### Peace Scholarships (Rotary Centres for International Studies)

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#### Description

2 year - \$US\$50,000 scholarship funded by The Rotary Foundation

#### Overview

Rotary Peace Fellows are leaders promoting national and international cooperation, peace, and the successful resolution of conflict throughout their lives, in their careers, and through service activities.

Fellows can earn either a master's degree in international relations, public administration, sustainable development, peace studies, conflict resolution, or a related field, or a professional development certificate in peace and conflict resolution.

Rotary Peace Centres include:

- University of Queensland, Brisbane, Australia.
- Chulalongkorn University, Bangkok, Thailand.  
(Professional Development Centre – 3 month course).
- Duke University and University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, USA.
- International Christian University, Tokyo, Japan.
- University of Bradford, West Yorkshire, England.
- Uppsala University, Uppsala, Sweden.

#### Applications

Interested candidates must apply for Rotary Peace Fellowships through their local Rotary club. District deadline applications 15 April - clubs to submit applications to the district selection committee. District-endorsed Rotary Peace Fellowship applications are due to The Rotary Foundation by 1 July.

#### Opportunities for Rotarian support

**Endowment opportunities:** An endowed fund is a gift made to the Permanent Fund of The Rotary Foundation. The principal of an endowed fund is never spent, and a portion of the income is made available for the Rotary Peace Centres as specified by the donor.

#### Contact

Peter Murie [petermurie@bigpond.com](mailto:petermurie@bigpond.com) 0419 106 765

#### For further information

<http://www.rotary.org/en/studentsandyouth/educationalprograms/rotarycentersforinternationalstudies/Pages/ridefault.aspx>

## Rotary International Programs

### Polio Eradication - Polio Plus Immunisation Program

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#### Description

Global Polio Eradication - Rotary International's Flagship Program for almost 30 years. D9810 has funded the immunisation more than 1 million children against polio over the last 3 years. Cost of vaccination 65 cents per child (under 5).

#### Target 2017-18

**US\$40,000 – The first 20 clubs to contribute US\$1000 will be matched with a US\$1,000 District Grant.**

#### Opportunities for Rotary participation

- National Immunization Day – India – end of February each year.
- Polio survivors – Victoria. Post-polio syndrome.
- Private Rotarian donations to the Polio Appeal can be forwarded to the Australian Rotary Foundation Trust ABN 55 218 421 934 (Endorsed as a Deductible Gift Recipient) or donate directly to Rotary's challenge at [www.rotary.org/endpolio](http://www.rotary.org/endpolio) Donors in Australia can automatically transfer funds electronically from their cheque, savings, or credit card accounts by enrolling in TRF-DIRECT. Once enrolled, donors can contribute to PolioPlus]

#### Key Polio events 2017-18

1. **Celebrate World Polio Day 24 October 2017** – in honour of Jonas Salk, who developed the first safe and effective polio vaccine.
2. **Purple Pinky Day**, May – Interact/school project to raise awareness about polio.  
Contact: David Winter RC MASH [david\\_winter@optusnet.com.au](mailto:david_winter@optusnet.com.au) 0438 833 917
3. **Collect 5 cent pieces for polio** - place coin collection cans or boxes in local businesses, schools, and homes. Raise funds using PolioPlus collection boxes.
4. **Coordinate a Movie Night** - Work with local cinemas to organize a movie night in which all or part of the proceeds from admission benefit PolioPlus. Publicise in local newspaper, radio, all Rotary clubs in District.
5. **World's Greatest Meal to end Polio** More information for 2018 event to follow.

#### Club speakers

Contact Foundation Chair Tony Monley [acmonley+Rotary@gmail.com](mailto:acmonley+Rotary@gmail.com)

#### Contact for further information, speaker bookings and giving to TRF

Foundation Chair Tony Monley

Private Donor Forms available on request

Media - Amazing Stories of Polio! <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YCZ-bbkn44c>

## Community Service Projects

### Australian Rotary Health (ARH)

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#### Description

ARH is a major research fund and grants organization and is the largest Australia-wide project undertaken by Rotary. It is a registered charity wholly owned and managed by the Australian Rotary Districts. It invests money raised through donations from Rotary Clubs, individual Rotarians and funding partners to support community health research not currently government funded.

Current focus is on Mental Health, particularly, the mental health of Young Australians, but substantial additional funds are allocated each year in support of Rural Health Scholarships, Rural & Indigenous Nursing Scholarships and Indigenous Health Scholarships.

**Target D9810 Club Contributions 2017-18 : \$120,000 across all clubs (to research fund)**

#### Opportunities for Rotarian participation

1. Become a Research Companion – help shape the future of vital Australian health research. (All Research Companions have scholarships named after them).
2. Donation Gift Cards - a unique gift for someone special - a donation made on their behalf to Australian Rotary Health.
3. Participate in the Hat Day event [www.hatday.com.au](http://www.hatday.com.au)  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ImHlynofteA>

#### Key ARH events 2017 – 2018

1. Lift the Lid - Friday 13th October 2017. ARH mental health research awareness day. (TV Advertisement)  
[http://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player\\_embedded&v=ImHlynofteA](http://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player_embedded&v=ImHlynofteA)
2. Mental Health Week 2017  
Support for the annual “Make a Difference” Bicycle Ride to/from District Conference.
3. Direct cash donations to ARH by Clubs and individuals.

#### Club speakers

1. Glenn Tippett (ARH Promotional DVD)  
URL / YouTube <http://www.australianrotaryhealth.org.au/Information-About/Press-Releases-Media/YouTube.aspx>
2. Research Scholars organised through District 9810 Representative, Glenn Tippett, or through Cheryl Deguara, Program Coordinator, Australian Rotary Health, Sydney on 0419 465 962 or [cheryldeguara@australianrotaryhealth.org.au](mailto:cheryldeguara@australianrotaryhealth.org.au)

#### Further information

Glenn Tippett [gtippett12@gmail.com](mailto:gtippett12@gmail.com)

<http://www.australianrotaryhealth.org.au>

## Community Service Projects

### Bowelscan

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#### Description

Rotary Clubs in D9810 promote and coordinate the Bowelscan program to enhance public awareness of the need for new bowel cancer screening. Bowel Cancer is the most common form of internal cancer in people aged 40 years and over. There are about 12,000 new cases and 5,000 deaths from bowel cancer each year in Australia. Early detection gives you a 90% chance of being cured. *Waiting for symptoms to appear is waiting too long.*

Bowelscan testing kits, distributed to over 100 pharmacy partners by in effect 35 Club Co-ordinators, are used for early detection of microscopic blood (an indicator of colorectal cancer, and possible other sources of bleeding). The program only runs from mid-April to early-June.

#### **New, simpler, hi-tech immunochemical testing kits are on sale from 1st to 31st May only.**

They don't require preliminaries, and only two samples are needed on consecutive days, and mailed ASAP in a post-paid, pre-addressed envelope to the Sydney laboratory.

#### Outcomes

1. Lives are being saved, with over 13 persons having cancer and over 53 persons having polyps (likely future cancer) removed, during the 10 years 2006 to 2015.
2. Through our website and our 1300 779 694 line, men & women are receiving advice, and Rotary is receiving widespread publicity and thanks for our voluntary health commitment.

**Target D9810 Involvement:** 2,000+ kits distributed (1,889 in 2016 with 85% completed for lab test).

#### Opportunities for Rotarian participation

1. Distribute \$15 testing kits to pharmacies and conduct weekly kit audit and collect cash, and surplus kits in early June.
2. Promote testing within the family of Rotary.
3. Create Public Awareness and save lives through CSA in Herald Sun and Local Newspaper and on Community Radio, and contact local businesses/institutions e.g. Aged Care, within the 40+ years demographic, plus family and friends.

#### Key Bowelscan events 2018

1. Bowelscan Kit Sales Month May 2018, our 16<sup>th</sup> year (National over 30 years).
2. Provide public awareness of Bowel Cancer/Bowelscan in HSun & local media in May.
3. Refer also to 2016-17 D9810 Bowelscan Annual Report.
4. Free Federal Government kits are mailed to people within 50 to 74 years range, attaining every 2 years by 2020. Commercial kit sellers are reducing the need for Rotary kit sales.

#### Contact

Ian Coleman [iancoleman7@gmail.com](mailto:iancoleman7@gmail.com)

#### Further information

[www.manninghamrotaryclub.org](http://www.manninghamrotaryclub.org) (Victorian Pharmacy Listings and other information)

<http://www.nationalbowelscan.org.au>

## International Service Projects

### Aquabox Australia

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#### Description

Aquabox is a project of the RC Eltham. The project responds rapidly world-wide to provide safe drinking water and welfare aid items in the wake of man-made and natural disasters.

#### Target D9810 Club Contributions 2017/18: at least \$550 per club

- An Aquabox costs \$550 (Aquabox 30 \$850) and each shipment of 100 boxes costs over \$50,000.
- Hence RC Eltham suggests a basic funding target of at least \$500 from every Rotary club, which would assist them in their strategic goal of pre-locating Aquaboxes in key areas overseas, thereby reducing critical delivery times to disasters and reducing transportation costs.
- Most of Aquaboxes donations come at the time of a disaster which restricts their ability to respond.
- If clubs can consider donating prior to 30th June each year, Aquabox will be in a prime position to respond to the "disaster season" around August - January each year.

#### Contact

Mobile: 0408 311 303

Donations to RC Eltham, PO Box 134, Eltham Vic, 3095. Email: [info@aquabox.com.au](mailto:info@aquabox.com.au)

#### Further information

[www.aquabox.com.au](http://www.aquabox.com.au)

## **International Service Projects**

### **Art Building Children's Dreams (ABCD)**

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#### **Description**

The ABCD concept is very simple: Children in disadvantaged communities paint or draw a picture of their dreams. The drawings are combined with photographs and stories to create a very special, unique work of art, used to promote the program.

100% of all donations go to assist in some way with the child's education or to improve the facilities and the school infrastructure.

Various school projects are also underway including the building of pre-schools, classroom renovation, providing new toilets, introducing sustainable food programs through vegetable gardens etc.

**Target D9810 Club Contributions 2017/18:** \$100,000 plus for existing sponsorships and infrastructure projects. Many more opportunities for clubs to adapt new and exciting projects in collaboration with established project partners.

#### **Opportunities for Rotarian participation**

Volunteer opportunities exist on a number of overseas projects from time to time. Volunteer organisers, administrators and project managers also required locally in Australia.

#### **Key ABCD events 2017/18**

ABCD will assist clubs with ideas and success stories for fundraising and awareness events.

Many individual clubs in D9810 and beyond have run a range of events to support their adopted ABCD Projects.

#### **Contact**

David Shrimpton [shrimptons@bigpond.com](mailto:shrimptons@bigpond.com) 0448 645 985

#### **Further information**

[www.abcdreams.org.au](http://www.abcdreams.org.au)

[@ABCDinOz](https://www.facebook.com)



## **International Service Projects**

### **Disaster Aid Australia (DAA)**

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#### **Description**

Provides family emergency survival kits and water purification systems in response to disasters. Each survival kit costs \$800 and contains a Disaster Aid tent, blankets, water containers, cooking utensils, a stove, pots, pans, children rucksacks (with books and pencils), mosquito nets and other useful items.

Also deploys a Family Survival tent, NFI (non-food items), clean drinking water solutions and solar lighting. The tents can be interconnected to create a four classroom school for up to eighty school children; assist with a first aid tent or erect a community centre.

Disaster Aid Australia is a project of the Rotary Club of Endeavour Hills in District 9820, Victoria.

#### **Further information**

<http://www.disasteraidaustralia.org.au>

## **International Service projects**

### **Kiriwina Aid Project**

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#### **Description**

Kiriwina Aid is a project of the Rotary Club of Rowville-Lysterfield.

It consists of four sub-projects:

1. Hospital Beds for the Kiriwina Hospital.
2. Improved water supply and wash basins in each of the four hospital wards.  
Currently only one cold water tap is available for 45 beds.
3. Composting toilets for the primary school.  
Open defecation is practised widely on the island or pit toilets in some areas.
4. A wood working workshop to provide tools and materials to build 90 school desks for the Primary School. It was decided to set up a small business to manufacture the desks rather than just give them donated desks.

The budget for the project is approximately A\$130,000.00.

We are still looking for other clubs that may want to contribute to the project to ensure project sustainability and meet the requests for even more student desks to be built.

A global grant has been approved for the project.

#### **The project time line is as follows.**

September 2014 the first visit to the island on a cruise ship where a need was identified.

March 2015 was a discovery visit to determine what the most pressing issues were.

October 2015 was when a visit back to the island with a project proposal which was approved by the locals.

January 2016 The First Container with Beds, Clothing and School books was sent.

October 2016 A second container with toilets, plumbing supplies, building materials and battery operated tools was sent.

November 2016 Installation of wash basins in the hospital wards, training on how to build school desks and installation of a water pump at the school was carried out.

January 2017 Assembly of composting toilets, installation on 9000 litre water tank was installed at the school. Delivery of 64 school desks to 3 schools.

April 2017 Composting Toilets commissioned

September 2017 Visit to finalise all works and ensure ongoing maintenance of the installations.

The project is almost complete with further visits planned to ensure sustainability. Also more funds are needed to fulfil requests for school desks from other schools in the area.

#### **For further information**

Alan Lunghusen [alan@lunghusen.com](mailto:alan@lunghusen.com) 0488 033 133

Rotary Club of Rowville Lysterfield

## International Service Projects

### Interplast Australia and New Zealand

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#### Description

Interplast was established in 1983, by Rotarians and the Royal Australasian College of Surgeons as a non-for-profit company. Rotarians are directly involved, with equal company shareholding, in the management, direction and funding of this extraordinary voluntary altruistic organisation.

Surgeons, anaesthetists, nurses and allied health professionals donate their time free of charge to provide free reconstructive and plastic surgery to people in 17 regional countries who would not have had access to, or could afford such treatment for congenital or acquired debilitating medical conditions. As well, they deliver free training and mentoring for local medical staff during operations but also by separate programs. Rotarians help fund a significant proportion of the costs such as air fares, accommodation, other travel costs, medical supplies, medicines, excess baggage, insurance, security, etc. See the latest Annual Report, at [www.interplast.org.au](http://www.interplast.org.au). Or [contactus@interplast.org.au](mailto:contactus@interplast.org.au)

#### Target D9810 Club Contributions 2017/18: \$45,000

**Aims:** To raise \$45,000 in district funds to fund a surgical and or training program(activity) in the 2017-18 Rotary year and to support Clubs, like the RC of Wandin, which aim to fully fund a program and or alternatively apply for a global grant.

#### Clubs have three options to consider:

1. Contributing towards the District 9810 objective to fund surgical and or alternatively a training activity or activities over two or one years, respectively.
2. Alternatively, a club or a few clubs together, could commit to fully fund a surgical and or training activity (like the Wandin RC) over two years (\$45,000 plus \$5,000 for a Rotarian Observer if desired); or alternatively, clubs could commit to wholly funding an Annual District 9810 Training / Mentoring Program or Scholarship \$10,000 up to \$35,000, in a year; or
3. Direct funds to an expense, e.g. excess baggage; or an item of medical equipment.

All options to be activated or applied at the discretion of Interplast, where needed.

#### Donations

Donations may be sent to: 'Interplast Australia and New Zealand' and, if by cheque, to Ms Di Gillies, Rotary Co-ordinator, Interplast Australia and New Zealand, C/ Royal Australasian College of Surgeons, 250 to 290 Spring Street East Melbourne Vic 3002; Or alternatively, for electronic transfers you may do this online at [www.interplast.org.au](http://www.interplast.org.au)

The Interplast EFT Details are; Westpac BSB; 033 364;A/C 36 1633; Interplast Australia & New Zealand. In the form **PLEASE USE your CLUB NAME AS the 'REFERENCE'**

Please phone Di Gillies (above) on 92491231or, alternatively let her know of the contribution [di.gillies@interplast.org.au](mailto:di.gillies@interplast.org.au) and please inform the District 9810 Chair of Interplast Committee, PP Liz Guiver at [eliza.g@optusnet.com.au](mailto:eliza.g@optusnet.com.au) A receipt will be issued directly to the Club, or in the case of an individual donating (tax deductible) the person donating.

#### Club speakers

Liz Guiver 0403 964 596; Bob Williams 0448 149 106; Harvey Lane 0411 180 643; Warwick Bisley 0421837181; John Scroi 0425 730 122; Chris Mara 0408 107 223 and Len Brear on 0455 022 229

**Contact:** D9810 Interplast Chair PP Liz Guiver 0403964596

**Interplast Office:** Di Gilles, Rotarian Coordinator, Interplast Australia and New Zealand  
Telephone: 9249 1231

## International Service Projects

### Light up Timor

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#### Description

The Light up Timor project aims to improve literacy and health levels of children and adults in remote, rural communities in Timor Leste by installing solar lighting in homes and the local school. The project also provides literacy support programs and uses best practice community engagement strategies. The plan is to pilot and evaluate the project in a remote community of about 100 households, with the aim of packaging a replicable model for communities in Timor Leste and other developing countries. This project is expected to have considerable educational, social, economic and environmental benefits for people in the pilot village. The project will take place from mid-2017 to late 2019 and will be sustainable after this period.

The main elements of the project are:

- **Community engagement** (through education, consultation, a management committee and a local liaison officer)
- **Literacy support** (through children's readers, a book (in Tetum and English) on solar energy and books suitable for adults)
- **Installation of small solar units** in 100 houses
- **Maintenance** of the solar units
- **Evaluation and monitoring** by Dr Colin Hocking and data collection team in Dili

#### Benefits

##### Capacity building

A remote rural community will be empowered to manage a literacy and solar lighting program. Two villagers will be trained in installing and maintaining solar units and members from the Rotary Club of Dili Lafaek will be trained in evaluation and monitoring.

##### A sustainable system

The village will receive literacy resources and low-cost solar units, maintained by trained villagers. The cost of maintaining the solar units will be covered through a village maintenance fund. There will be a package of training, management and literacy resource materials available for the establishment of a similar project in developing countries.

#### Partnerships

The project will build partnerships between Australian Rotary clubs and Timorese organisations.

#### Benefits

There will be literacy, health, economic and social benefits to the people in the pilot village. The evaluation results will be made available through websites and academic journals.

**Cost:** Total including Matching grants - US\$85,169 with **A\$29,553 requested from D9810 clubs.**

**Grant Lodgement:** 1 June 2017 (estimated subject to funding confirmation)

#### Project Duration

Commencement: As soon as funds become available. Project duration - 3 years. Project monitoring / evaluation for a minimum of 3 years from the date of commencement.

#### Rotarian participations

Opportunity to involve D9810 Rotarians with interest in Timor Leste, community engagement, education and skills in electrical trades

#### Key project fundraising

Club donations and matching DDF, TRF, individual donors, plus corporate sponsors and philanthropic organisations

**Speakers for clubs:** Pat Armstrong RC Doncaster: 0419 381 790 [pat.arm@bigpond.net.au](mailto:pat.arm@bigpond.net.au)

## **International Service projects**

### **Medical Imaging Machines**

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#### **Description**

The Medical Imaging Machines project relocates used diagnostic x-ray equipment from Australian hospitals to developing countries. These machines are used to diagnose and treat congenital heart defects, stenotic valves, the placement of stents and the implantation of pacemakers. Over the past 17 years nine machines have been installed in Nepal, Mongolia, Sri Lanka and Fiji. They have been used in more than 30,000 treatments over that period.

The machines are supported by ongoing maintenance and are replaced by newer models when spare parts are no longer available.

This project was begun in 2000 by Rtn Ron Marcus from the RC Castle Hill in Sydney. Ron has now retired and Peter Koens from RC Nunawading has taken over the project leadership. Peter has been a leading team member on all except the first machine installation and is the National Service Specialist for Interventional x-ray in ANZ for a major equipment manufacturer.

A typical project costs \$15,000 for;

1. Collection and storage of the machine and spare parts.
2. Sea and land freight to the destination country.
3. Follow up service trips and spare part shipment for the 5-7 years of the machines life.

A team of self-funded volunteers install the machine under the guidance of Peter Koens. Local technicians are trained in basic maintenance and internet links are established to enable remote problem diagnosis. Spare parts are left on site to ensure rapid recovery from faults.

Our latest projects are;

- a. A Fluoroscopy laboratory for pacemaker insertion at the Sahid Ganga Lal National Heart Centre in Kathmandu, Nepal. This machine will complement the Catheritisation machine already at Sahid that is used to implant stents. The machine is at DIK in Brisbane ready to ship to Nepal.
- b. A general x-ray room for the Bairo Pite Clinic in Dili, Timor Leste. This machine will be used to diagnose and treat TB patients and will reduce the cost and delays for x-rays on general injuries and conditions. The machine is in storage at DIK Footscray.

#### **The project will be funded by the following**

##### **Private Donations**

Donations from Rotary clubs so far including:

- RC Nunawading has committed \$10,000 for both machines. Two 1:1 District grants have been approved however a further \$10,000 is required to complete the projects.

##### **Donations from corporate sources**

- None to date.

#### **You can get “hands on”**

Opportunities are available for volunteers to go and help install the machine. People with trades skills are particularly welcome.

**For further information see U Tube; <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WrHnIOgZWHy>**

PE Philip Maxwell, Rotary Club of Nunawading , [rawcsmim@optusnet.com.au](mailto:rawcsmim@optusnet.com.au), 0402233690

See <http://www.rotarynunawading.com.au/medical.htm> for more details plus photos. Be amazed!

## **International Service Projects**

### **Operation Cleft**

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#### **Description**

Operation Cleft provides free cleft lip and palate repair surgery for underprivileged children in Bangladesh. Over 10,800 children have had their lives changed forever since inception.

The project encourages self-sufficiency and long term sustainability by contracting skilled Bangladeshi Plastic Surgeons and by including a training program for newly qualified surgeons.

Operation Cleft also incorporates parent and community health worker information sessions on cause and effect of cleft conditions; and speech therapy.

**Target D9810 Club Contributions 2017/18: \$48,000** (160 operations @ \$300 each)

#### **Opportunities for Rotarian participation**

1. Donate \$300 = full cost of one cleft surgery (surgeons, hospital, pre/post-operative medication).
2. Donate \$25 a month for 12 months = full cost of one cleft surgery.
3. Donate \$3,000 = full cost of a surgical camp for ten cleft surgeries.
4. Fundraising – through golf days, school fetes, walkathon, spellathon, free dress day etc.
5. Spreading the word about this unique Rotary club project and encouraging others to support our work for underprivileged Bangladeshi children who were born with a cleft lip and/or palate.

#### **Key Operation Cleft events 2017–2018**

TBA

#### **Club speakers**

Bruce McEwen – Secretary, Management Committee [bmcewen@optusnet.com.au](mailto:bmcewen@optusnet.com.au) 0413144700

#### **Further information**

Nirasha De Silva – Fundraising Officer, Operation Cleft [info@operationcleft.org.au](mailto:info@operationcleft.org.au), 98779717

Lindsay Mackay – Chair, Management Committee [lindsaym@deakin.edu.au](mailto:lindsaym@deakin.edu.au) 0409968345

[www.operationcleft.org.au](http://www.operationcleft.org.au)

## International Service Projects

### Operation Toilets Australia

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#### Description

Operation Toilets Australia (OTA) builds toilets and delivers hygiene education programs in schools in developing countries with the special aim of improving the educational opportunities for adolescent girls.

- OTA partners with Rotary clubs and in-country not-for-profit organisations to build toilets of solid brick construction with sustainable sanitation connections.
- A key element of any OTA project is a hygiene education program, WASH, developed by UNICEF. Students are taught to wash their hands after visiting the toilet or before eating. Local communities are also encouraged to become involved.
- The final part of any OTA project is for a school to commit to an ongoing maintenance program to ensure that their toilets are kept in good working order.

By donating to Operation Toilets Australia you can change the lives of disadvantaged children whilst giving adolescent girls the opportunity to continue with their education.

#### RAWCS Registration No: 21-2014-15

A pilot project was completed at the New English School in Vihitgaon in 2015 (15 toilets) and a Global Grant of US\$97,000 (135 toilets in six schools) was completed in 2016. A US\$100,000 Global Grant has commenced in 11 schools in Delhi under the Rotary Wash in Schools Target Challenge program and a second project in Nasik will commence soon.

Three additional US\$100,000 Global Grants are been planned in 2017-18 through the support of District 9810 and District 9810 clubs, and District 9800 and District 9800 clubs and other districts and clubs in Victoria.

#### Target D9810 club contributions 2017-18: \$US35,000

**For further information:** Mark Balla [mark@balla.com.au](mailto:mark@balla.com.au) 0414 244 448

John Maddock [johndmaddock@gmail.com](mailto:johndmaddock@gmail.com) 0411 276 523

Brian Martin [brian\\_martin@netspace.net.au](mailto:brian_martin@netspace.net.au) 0407 894 216

## **International Service Projects**

### **Rotarians against Malaria (RAM)**

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#### **Description**

Malaria is one of the biggest killers in the world today, attacking some of our most vulnerable communities and contributing significantly to the untold suffering and sustained poverty of more than forty per cent (40%) of the world's population.

D9810 RAM participates in many activities such as 'cleaning up' village areas in the Pacific region to eliminate mosquito breeding sites including the "Healthy Village Program" in the Solomon Islands and the "Chasing Malaria" Program in PNG.

It has also initiated a project in Timor Leste to promote early diagnosis of malaria to train and equip personnel to carry out simple blood microscopy tests.

**Target D9810 Club Contributions 2017/18: \$15,000**

#### **Opportunities for Rotarian participation**

1. "Healthy Village Program" in the Solomon Islands.
2. "The Chasing Malaria" Program in PNG.
3. Enabling the continuation of supply and distribution of life saving treated nets in Timor Leste especially focussing on pregnant women and covering shortfalls after Global Funding has been allocated.
4. Providing funds to help support further development of a promising vaccine being developed at the Institute of Glycomics at Griffith University.

#### **Key RAM events 2017–2018**

Malaria Awareness Day April 30<sup>th</sup>

(Malaria kills 430,000 a year, 75% are children under 5)

#### **Club speakers**

Peter McPhee: [pmcphee@bigpond.com](mailto:pmcphee@bigpond.com)

#### **Further information**

[http://www.rawcs.com.au/RAWCSPrograms\\_malaria.htm](http://www.rawcs.com.au/RAWCSPrograms_malaria.htm)



## International Service Projects

### Rotary Oceania Medical Aid for Children (ROMAC)

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#### Description

**Mission:** To provide specialist treatment for children from developing countries in the form of life saving and dignity restoring surgery not accessible to them in their home country.

**Ownership:** Every Rotary District in Australia and New Zealand has agreed to ROMAC being recognised by Rotary International as a multi-District program. ROMAC is run by volunteer Rotarians and relies on Club support and annual sponsorship to sustain its work.

**Target D9810 Club Contributions 2017/18: \$50,000** - this will fund the average cost of two ROMAC operations and will enable D9810 clubs to:

**‘SAVE THE LIVES OF TWO ROMAC PATIENTS’**

#### Opportunities for Rotarian participation

5. Volunteers to host patients and guardians.
6. Drivers, hospital visits, outings and support network for patients.
7. Organise fundraisers for ROMAC.
8. Join the district ROMAC committee.
9. Become a Sponsor Club for a patient.

#### Key ROMAC events 2017 – 2018

1. District Conference (Bendigo)
2. Rotary Club of Bentleigh Moorabbin Central fundraising event
3. Rotary Club of Wandin fundraising event

#### Club speakers

Graeme Chester – Chair D9810 ROMAC Committee

Norm Casey – Member D9810 ROMAC Committee

Margaret Mason – Member D9810 ROMAC Committee

Carol Quayle – Member D9810 ROMAC Committee

#### Contact for speaker bookings

Graeme Chester: [graeheath1@bigpond.com](mailto:graeheath1@bigpond.com)

#### Further information

<http://www.romac.org.au/>

<http://www.facebook.com/RomacAustralia>

## International Service Projects

### Rotarians Against Child Slavery

#### Child Rights - Creating a Brighter Future for Children, Myanmar

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##### Description

Through this project we aim to empower seven villages in Thandaung Gyi Township, Karen State, Myanmar, to ensure that these communities provide a safe and nurturing environment in which the rights of children are promoted and protected in order to improve overall child well-being.

For more than 60 years, Karen children and their parents have suffered as a result of the armed conflict between the Burmese Government and Karen armed troops. This has been the longest on-going civil war in the world. Now, due to the national reconciliation effort, Myanmar is taking positive steps forward. Democratic values such as respect for the rights of children, gender equality and social justice need addressing. Cases of child abuse, including neglect, exploitation and sexual abuse are frequent and increasing.

The project plans to educate and train the project staff, parents, children, community based organisations and community members on child rights and protection (including human trafficking). This includes using events such as Myanmar Children's Day, UNCRC Day, World Against Child Labour Day etc.

##### Total Cost: \$9,540

Project Total (Club/s to pay upfront)	<b>\$9,540</b>
Potential International District Grant* (paid to club following final report):	<b>\$4,770</b>
Effective cash contribution made by club:	<b>\$4,770</b>

\*Drafted International District Grant application available to sponsoring club.

**Start Date:** July 2017

**Completion Date:** June 2018

The project is seeking funding to be repeated annually over four years in total, with expected finishing in June 2020.

##### Beneficiaries:

Nearly 1,000 children and their families in Northern Karen State, Myanmar.

**Contact:** Tony Stokes [tony@ragas.online](mailto:tony@ragas.online) 0419 577 886

Victorian Coordinator, Rotarian Action Group Against Slavery (RAGAS) <http://ragas.online/>

##### Further information

<https://view.publitas.com/p222-8169/end-slavery-project-child-rights-myanmar/>

Partnering organisation is International Needs Australia. <https://www.ina.org.au/the-ina-story/news/strengthening-and-protecting-child-rights-in-myanm>

Project feedback video of child rights education at UNCRC Day 2016 <https://youtu.be/AjEb8qN8-uk>

100% of donated funds go to the project. All funds donated are matched 5:1 by DFAT. So \$1,000 Rotary funds + \$5,000 from DFAT = \$6,000 on the ground in Myanmar. Contributions outside a District Grant also welcomed and matched 5:1 by DFAT. MOU to be provided.

## International Service Projects

### Rotarians Against Child Slavery – Save the Girl Child

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#### Description

The Banchara are a people-group in northern India, who are raised to believe their god wants their daughters to work as prostitutes. Young girls are raised with an expectation that they will support their family through sex-work from an early age. However a small number are seeking alternative, better lives for their girls, and are working with our implementing partners to make this a reality. They have placed their girl children in a safe home, away from family pressure, where they can be brought up to expect more from their lives. They are sent to school and taught to dream of a better life – not prostitution. This project will fund an education grant to allow forty girls to access schooling.

#### Total Cost: \$6,568

Including school fees (including bus transportation), stationery, uniforms, text books, shoes and bags for forty girls.

#### Target D9810 Club Contributions 2017/18: \$3,284

\*International District Grant (pending approval): \$3,284

#### Total: \$6,568

\*International District Grant application already drafted and will be forwarded to sponsoring club

**Start Date:** July 2017

**Completion Date:** June 2018

The project start date is designed to ensure funds have been raised by the time the academic school year begins and funds are required.

#### Opportunities for Rotarian participation

Occasional opportunities may be negotiable to accompany Entrust Foundation CEO on a monitoring visit.

#### Outcomes – Life Change

- The girls will be able to provide for themselves and their families through alternate careers.
- Freedom from HIV and other sexually-transmitted diseases, giving them healthier and longer lives
- Slowly but surely we are seeking a transformation of an entire community.

**Contact:** Tony Stokes, [tony@ragas.online](mailto:tony@ragas.online) 0419 577 886

Victorian Coordinator, Rotary Action Group Against Slavery (RAGAS)

#### Further information

Project flyer - <https://view.publitas.com/p222-8169/end-slavery-project-save-the-girl-child-india/>

4 min movie trailer depicting plight of Banchara girls - <https://youtu.be/ABPt9tEsvqo>

Partnering organisation is Entrust Foundation. <http://www.entrust.org.au/projects/save-the-girl-child-2/>

100% of donated funds go to the project. Donations outside District Grant welcomed.

<http://ragas.online/local-groups/australia/aussie-news/>

## International Service Projects

### Shelterbox Australia

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#### Description

Shelterbox provides immediate global humanitarian relief when disasters occur.

A ShelterBox contains a family tent, blankets, cooker and ancillary equipment sufficient to house up to ten people. The cost of a ShelterBox is \$1,000.

**The Rotary Youth Exchange Challenge** - Spread the word: give a presentation to your host Rotary Club, a school, organisation or a group such as Scouts.

Fund a box: Fundraise for ShelterBox, target donation of \$1000 for one ShelterBox.

#### Fundraising ideas:

[http://www.shelterbox.org/uploads/Sources/Downloads/SB\\_fundraising\\_booklet\\_screen.pdf](http://www.shelterbox.org/uploads/Sources/Downloads/SB_fundraising_booklet_screen.pdf)

<http://www.youtube.com/user/ShelterBoxUK>

#### Further information

[www.shelterboxaustralia.org.au](http://www.shelterboxaustralia.org.au)

## **International Service Projects**

### **Wheelchairs for Kids**

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#### **Description**

Wheelchairs For Kids Inc. is a Rotary project sponsored by RC Scarborough WA. The wheelchairs are assembled by a team of about one hundred and fifty volunteers – all retired people.

The chairs comply with WHO recommendations including allowing complete adjustability of postural support to suit the different sizes and growing needs of children through to their teenage years and also the large number of recipients with cerebral palsy. Chairs are sent to developing countries where health care and other social services are poor to non-existent.

Over 36,000 wheelchairs have been shipped in a fifteen year period since commencement.

**Target D9810 Club Contributions 2017/18: \$50,000** (250 wheelchairs)

#### **Opportunities for Rotarian participation**

1. Donate multiples of \$200 = cost of one wheelchair.
2. School fundraising – mainly wheelchair wheelathons, involve interact clubs, also fetes, walkathon, spellathon, free dress day.
3. Rotary sponsored “Wheelchair Wheelathons”.

**Key Wheelchair for Kids events in 2017-18: TBA**

#### **Key club speakers**

Russell Hayes [ruscle@bigpond.com](mailto:ruscle@bigpond.com) 0414 600 721

#### **Further information**

Videos <http://www.wheelchairsforkids.org/videos/Vanuatu.html>

<http://www.wheelchairsforkids.org>

## **Vocational Service Programs**

### **District 9810**

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#### **Business Networking**

Rotary Clubs can and should engage the local business community in many ways. Through sponsorship of Club events, to conducting initiatives that help build stronger communities in partnership with local business and the Bendigo Bank, engaging local businesses to 'Share Rotary' is highly encouraged.

To recognise the role of small business in the community, consider running a Business Excellence Awards competition in your municipality as a cluster project initiative. Comprehensive publicity from the local Leader Newspaper surrounding the Manningham Business Excellence Awards, now in its fourth year, has highlighted the achievements of many businesses that would otherwise go unrecognised, while raising the profile of Rotary across the business community.

**Contact:** David Alexander

#### **Business Engagement**

How well do you understand your local businesses? Why not consider inviting a local business owner to your club meetings as your guest, once a month, and give them a brief speaking spot so you can keep abreast of the current business trends and the challenges they face? They might even come back again...

**Contact:** Don Sweeney

#### **Citizenship Award for Secondary Students**

An award that recognizes students who are potential leaders and who have contributed to the community and their school (other than dux of their school). Selected by the school and awarded at VCE level.

Gillians Jewellery supply the watches (Clubs to pay) - contact San Cheng 9877 6616.

**Contact:** Don Sweeney

#### **Tertiary Awards and Scholarships**

Rotary Club supported tertiary scholarships awarded through a number of Universities and TAFE Institutes.

**Contact:** Don Sweeney

#### **Shine-on Awards**

Rotary recognition of outstanding service by persons with disabilities (Australia wide) who disregard their disabilities to reach their goals to serve others. All nominees receive recognition with a Certificate of Commendation. The program is run on a state-wide basis.

**Contact:** Barry Halpern

#### **Victoria Police Mentoring Program**

Managed by District 9800, this project assigns an experienced Rotarian mentor with a Senior Sergeant in the Police Force to expand their understanding of the community. Clubs are approached for involvement in this project on a needs basis.

**Contact:** Don Sweeney

## Youth Service Programs

### Camp Awakenings

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#### Description

- 2½ day personal development camp designed to help with the specific challenges students face in Year 9. This group is often faced with choices that may affect their future lives dramatically.
- Camp Awakenings uses an intensive, non-stop program of activities, dancing to loud music and team challenges to take students out of their comfort zone and help them discover their own worth in an environment that is totally different to their normal home or school.
- Team Leaders help them build support networks through friendship and trust. The Camp aims to empower students with their own ways of managing the challenges they face in their world.

#### Benefits for participants

- Developing a deeper understanding of and belief in their own abilities
- Developing the ability to make better life choices
- Developing life skills and the ability to manage challenges in a positive way
- Making new and supportive friends
- Continuing support after camp – “Recharge” experience

#### Participants

Year 9 students

#### Dates

Mount Eliza: Friday 12 April - Sunday 15 April 2018

#### Applications

Mount Eliza: Wednesday 14 March 2018

#### For more information

A local Rotary Club or [www.campawakenings.com.au](http://www.campawakenings.com.au)

#### Cost

\$300 per student. – paid by sponsoring Rotary Clubs

#### Contact

Rotary Club of Chelsea [info@campawakenings.com.au](mailto:info@campawakenings.com.au)

Mickey Weiser 0405 517 786

[michael\\_weiser@hotmail.com](mailto:michael_weiser@hotmail.com)

Sandi Seiger 0417 164 591

[sandisieger@gmail.com](mailto:sandisieger@gmail.com)

## Youth Service Programs

### Dolly Parton's Imagination Library

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#### Description

Dolly Parton's Imagination Library is a community-based program providing 0-5-year-old children with free home delivered books and literacy resources each month. The program is administered under licence by United Way Australia, a not-for-profit organisation that is part of a global network in 41 countries.

Started by musician and author Dolly Parton in the USA, the program has delivered more than 70 million books worldwide; including 45,000 books across Australia.

#### Background

- 22% of Australian children start school without the skills they need to learn to read.
- The research is clear: more books at home = better educational outcomes for children.
- Kids in this program say that they love the books – 77% now ask to be read to daily!
- Imagination Library parents are reading to their kids 16% more often!
- The program helps kids to perform higher on language and literacy measures

#### How do clubs get involved in the Dolly Parton Imagination Library?

1. Talk with the clubs already taking part of the program.
2. Present the project to the club board for approval.
3. Contact United Way for an information kit.
4. Sign the Memorandum of Agreement (which details any responsibilities of the club coordinating the DPIL program such as use of logo/branding).
5. United Way will set up a database (and provide training) for the club coordinator to manage and will provide registration resources and poster templates.
6. The club then contacts local Childcare Centres, Maternal Health Nursing Services etc. and provides brochures and registration forms for parents to opt-in to the program by signing the consent form.
7. Approved children's names are entered into the database by the club coordinator.
8. Books are then delivered monthly to each child by United Way including reading support material for parents and carers. Appropriate level books for each age group are selected by Penguin Australia for the program. Note: It is suggested that clubs start the program as a one year pilot with a minimum of 30 children (and advising parents so they are aware of this from the beginning).
9. Children will graduate on the month of their 5<sup>th</sup> birthday.

#### Cost

\$7.50 per child per month (includes book, packing, parent resources and postage) for a minimum of 30 children per year initially and then move to a longer term commitment as agreed by the Rotary club board.

#### Clubs already taking part in this program in District 9810

Rotary clubs of Noble Park, Healesville and Bayswater.

#### Contacts

John Williams – RC Noble Park [jwilliams24@optusnet.com.au](mailto:jwilliams24@optusnet.com.au)  
or Barrie Vickers – RC Bayswater [vickersf@netspace.net.au](mailto:vickersf@netspace.net.au)

#### For further information

<http://operations.9810rotary.org.au> and follow the links via Youth Service to DPIL.



## Youth Service Programs

### Interact

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#### Description

Interact is a service club for young people aged 12 to 18.

A school Interact club is sponsored by a local Rotary club which will work with the school to form, develop and support the club. The club needs a teacher to support the students and liaise with the Rotary club as required. This is also a very rewarding experience for teachers. Clubs have a President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer who form a Board. There are committees to focus on completing agreed tasks within the club. An Interact club in schools enables students to work together with a focus on community service while learning how to support others and make things happen. Meetings are held twice a month. An Interact Manual is available which provides a good 'how to' guide for schools and clubs.

#### Benefits for participants

- Involvement in local community projects.
- Development of skills – leadership, team work, organising & running meetings.
- Opportunity to work with other people with shared interests.
- Support and mentoring from sponsoring Rotary club.
- Participation in a worldwide network of Interact clubs.
- Opportunity to make new friends.
- Ability to make a difference – locally and globally.

#### Supporting Rotary clubs

**Interact Club of Ashwood** – based at Ashwood High School, sponsored by the Rotary Club of Waverley. Contact: Neil Williams.

**Interact Club of Doncaster** – based at Doncaster Secondary College, sponsored by the Rotary Club of Doncaster. Contact: Salwan Shahine.

**Interact Club of John Monash Science School** - based at John Monash Senior Science School, sponsored by the Rotary Club of Clayton. Contact: Bill Sides.

**Interact Club of Koonung** - based at Koonung Secondary College, sponsored by the Rotary Club of Mont Albert & Surrey Hills. Contacts: Joe Somers & Nigel Cooper.

**Interact Club of Rowville-Lysterfield** – Lysterfield based at Rowville Secondary College, sponsored by the Rotary Club of Rowville – Lysterfield. Contact person: Kevin Harrison.

**Interact Club of Keysborough** – sponsored by the Rotary Club of Noble Park. Contact: Bruce Hill.

**Interact Club of Fairhills** – sponsored by the Rotary Club of Fern Tree Gully. Contact: Paul Wilson.

**Interact Club of Wheelers Hill** - sponsored by the Rotary Club of Glen Waverley. Contact: Rob McPherson.

**Interact Club of East Doncaster** - sponsored by the Rotary Club of Manningham. Contact: John Kumnick

**Cost:** Membership fees, if any, are decided by the Interact Club.

Establishment costs would normally be covered by the sponsoring Rotary Club.

#### District Contact:

Salwan Shahine [selwyn9810@gmail.com](mailto:selwyn9810@gmail.com) 0438 652 565

#### For further information

<http://operations.9810rotary.org.au> and follow the links via Youth Service to Interact.

## **Youth Service Programs**

### **Model United Nations Assembly (MUNA)**

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#### **Program participants**

Year 11 students. Held at Parliament House, Melbourne.

#### **Program information**

- This 2 day program simulates sessions of the General Assembly of the United Nations (UN). It encourages young people to learn about other countries and appreciate the workings of the UN.
- A team of two students is allocated a member country of the UN. They are required to investigate that country and represent its views as they debate a range of resolutions provided in advance.
- Students are asked to dress to represent their country's national costume.
- MUNA is held in the Legislative Assembly Chamber of Parliament House.
- The winning team goes to the National MUNA in Canberra.
- Prizes are awarded for Best Team, Runner Up, Best Costume, Most Popular Team.

#### **Benefits for the participants**

- Opportunity to learn about other countries and their perspectives on international issues.
- Working as a team.
- Development of debating & public speaking skills.
- Development of "listen & responding" (thinking on your feet) skills.
- Commitment & planning for deadline – balancing responsibilities.

#### **Applications**

Open: January 2018

Close 9 March 2018

**Cost: \$850 per team** – paid by sponsoring Rotary clubs

#### **Contact**

Andrew Guillaume [ajguillaume@gmail.com](mailto:ajguillaume@gmail.com) 0407 403 142

#### **For further information**

<http://operations.9810rotary.org.au> and follow the links via Youth Service to MUNA

## **Youth Service Programs**

### **National Youth Science Forum (NYSF)**

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#### **Program participants**

Years 11 students with an interest in Science – January 2016

#### **Program information**

- This two-week program held in a variety of universities provides students with an opportunity to find out more about scientific matters and explore careers in science.
- The forum aims to foster a love of science and help students understand the possibilities of a career in one of the many areas of science and technology available.
- The program offers a range of classes and site visits which excite the imagination.
- Participants are selected following an interview process.

#### **Benefits for the participants**

- Expanding their own scientific knowledge and understanding.
- Learning about the broad range of career options in science.
- Meeting other students who share interests from across Australia.
- Mentoring opportunities.
- Enhancing presentation skills.
- Personal development.

#### **Applications**

Open: March 2018

Close: May 2018

Interviews: July 2018

#### **Cost: \$3,097**

While Rotary clubs are not required to assist their nominated students financially, it is common for them to make a contribution toward the total amount.

#### **Contact**

Paul Taranto [paul.taranto@genos.com](mailto:paul.taranto@genos.com) 0402 086 249

#### **For further information**

<http://www.nysf.edu.au> or <http://operations.9810rotary.org.au> and follow the links via Youth Service to Summer Science Programs.

## **Rotary Youth Service Programs**

### **Primary School Speech Contest**

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#### **Program participants**

Grade 5 and Grade 6 students in Primary School.

#### **Program information**

- Students are required to present a 3 minute speech, judged by Toastmasters. Schools hold preliminary events to select their two representatives for the finals at their Rotary club level. The winner at club level participates in a District Final. Students, their families, friends, school representatives and Rotarians attend these finals.
- Currently more than 60 Primary Schools participate in the program each year.
- District Final currently held in November.

#### **Supporting clubs – each running a contest**

- Mont Albert & Surrey Hills
- Forest Hill
- Croydon (2 groups)
- Montrose & District
- Monbulk
- Emerald
- Templestowe
- Healesville
- Hampton /Beaumaris
- Rowville Lysterfield

#### **Benefits for the participants**

- Provides an opportunity for primary students to gain valuable public speaking skills at an early age.
- Raises awareness of Rotary International amongst primary school age students and their parents, who represent the ideal target groups for participating in Rotary youth programs and Rotary membership respectively.

#### **Applications**

Clubs engage with Primary Schools to initiate the program. School teachers oversee the selection of participants and finalists are selected at a Rotary Club level. The contest culminates in a District Final night organised and attended by Rotarians and judged by Toastmasters.

#### **Cost**

To Rotary – could include hire of venue for finals, refreshments, printing of programs and judges' gifts. A fee of \$35 for the grand final of all schools in October/November

**Contact** Judith Eadon [judith.eadon@bigpond.com](mailto:judith.eadon@bigpond.com)

Marlene Sinclair to obtain new list of topics and book a night: 0449 261 388  
[marlenes.smallfish@bigpond.com](mailto:marlenes.smallfish@bigpond.com)

A Manual for Running a Primary School Speech Competition is available on request.

## Youth Service Programs

### Rotaract

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#### Description

A community service organisation for young people aged 18-30 which provides them with an opportunity to enhance knowledge skills in personal development, community activities and international understanding.

Rotaract members aim to improve the world around them through a broad range of service activities with the approach "Help-Learn-Enjoy".

While most students will not be eligible while still at school, it is worth alerting community minded students to these opportunities for after they leave school.

#### Benefits for participants

- Develop personal and leadership skills.
- Recognise and promote ethical standards.
- Develop understanding of needs and challenges in local communities.
- Provides members with the knowledge and skills to make a difference in the world.
- Meeting others with shared interests and having fun while contributing locally and internationally.

#### Supporting Rotary clubs

- **Rotaract Club of Whitehorse** (chartered on 31st May 2000). Sponsor Rotary Clubs: Box Hill, Box Hill Central, Forest Hill, Mitcham, Nunawading and MASH (honorary).
- **Rotaract Club of Monash** (chartered 2010) Sponsor Rotary Clubs: Glen Waverley, Mount Waverley, Waverley, Clayton, Huntingdale, Oakleigh, Wheelers Hill & Monash.
- **Rotaract Club of Yarra Ranges** (chartered 2011) Sponsor Rotary Clubs Montrose & District, Lilydale, Chirnside Park, Croydon and Ringwood.

#### Applications

For prospective members - <http://operations.9810rotary.org.au> and follow the links via Youth Service to Rotaract.

#### Cost

Membership fees are decided by the Rotaract club.

Establishment costs would normally be covered by the sponsoring Rotary clubs.

#### Contact

**Rotaract Coordinator** Michael Ellinger [michaele@netspace.net.au](mailto:michaele@netspace.net.au)

**Yarra Ranges Rotaract Club** [www.facebook.com/RotaractYarraRanges/](http://www.facebook.com/RotaractYarraRanges/)

**Monash Rotaract Club** <http://monashrotaract.org.au>

**Whitehorse Rotaract Club** <http://www.whitehorserotaract.org.au>

#### For further information

<http://operations.9810rotary.org.au> and follow links via Youth Service to Rotaract

## Youth Service Programs

### Rotary Youth Leadership Award (RYLA)

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#### Program participants

18-30 year olds. Held July 2-7 2018, Lake Dewar Camp, Myrning.

#### Program information

- This six-day program is an intensive leadership training course for community minded young people. Participants are chosen for their leadership skills and their potential to have an impact on their community.
- The participants discuss issues of professional responsibility, human relations, ethics, leadership and communication skills.
- The program incorporates a range of seminars and workshops as well as team and skill building activities.
- Participants also learn about Rotary's purpose and service to the community as well as the elements of community and global citizenship

**Note:** Schools are encouraged to discuss with a local Rotary club the possibility of having RYLA participation as an award for a student who demonstrates a commitment to community service and leadership in Year 12.

#### Benefits for the participants

Development of a range of skills including:

- Leadership
- Communication
- Organisation and time management
- Team building and team work
- Problem solving and conflict management
- Impromptu and prepared public speaking
- Ability to step out of their comfort zones challenge themselves and realise their potential.

#### Applications

Open: April 2018

Close: 20 June 2018

**Cost: \$800** – paid by sponsoring Rotary clubs

#### Contact

Tony McKenna [tonymac851@gmail.com](mailto:tonymac851@gmail.com) 0435 118 777

#### For further information

<http://operations.9810rotary.org.au> and follow the links via Youth Service to RYLA

## Youth Service Programs

### Rotary Youth Program of ENrichment (RYPEN)

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#### Program participants

RYPEN caters for 14-17 year old students and it will be conducted over 15-17 September 2017 at Oasis Camp, Mt Evelyn.

#### Program information

- This 2½ day residential program is designed for young people who want to develop their potential.
- It uses a mix of presentations, discussions & demonstrations with practical applications, and includes personal challenges, outdoor activities, music, theatre and sport.
- Participants work together in groups, within a supportive environment.
- The program aims to encourage young people to create a successful and fulfilling life, deal positively with a variety of issues which affect their lives, and to make a difference, at home, at school and in the broader community.

#### Benefits for the participants

- Developing skills to enhance self-awareness and self-esteem.
- Development of a personal awareness of values and personal goals.
- Working in teams, and building team dynamics.
- Challenging fears.
- Focus on my community, how and why we contribute.

#### Applications

Open: 1 July 2017

Close: 6 September 2017

**Cost: \$335** – for each participant and is paid by sponsoring Rotary clubs. This sponsorship cost also applies to any participant from 2016, who has applied for, and has been successful for selection as a Colour Group Leader in 2017. In 2017 there will be six Colour Group Leaders.

#### Contact

Sean Darbyshire [sean.darbyshire@defence.gov.au](mailto:sean.darbyshire@defence.gov.au) 0429 169 917

#### For further information

<http://operations.9810rotary.org.au> and follow the links via Youth Service to RYPEN

## Youth Service Programs

### The ConocoPhillips Science Experience

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#### Program participants

Years 9 & 10 students with an interest in Science.

<http://www.scienceexperience.com.au> for dates and locations.

#### Program information

- This 2 – 4 day national program, conducted by the Australian Science Industry Association with tertiary institutions in the school holidays at 38 participating universities.
- It encourages students in Years 9 & 10 to consider science and technology as interesting and worthwhile career choices.
- The format is “hands on” science practical activities in laboratories as well as a visit to a local research or industry site.
- There is no selection and students only need to be endorsed by a local Rotary club to enrol.

#### Benefits for the participants

- Broadening scientific knowledge and understanding.
- Personal development.
- Meeting other students with shared interests.
- Understanding more about possible careers in science.
- Developing presentation skills.

#### Applications

See Science Experience web site for relevant closing dates.

**Cost: \$120-\$160** paid by sponsoring Rotary clubs or by participants.

#### Contact

Paul Taranto [paul.taranto@genos.com](mailto:paul.taranto@genos.com) 0402 086 249

#### For further information

[www.scienceexperience.com.au](http://www.scienceexperience.com.au)



## Youth Service Programs

### The Rotary 4-Way Test Public Speaking Competition

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#### Program participants

Year 10 students with heats held in August and September 2017, Semi-finals in October 2017 and the Grand Final in November 2017.

#### Program information

- The program promotes public speaking for students at the Year 10 level.
- The theme of the speeches is Rotary's Four Way Test which is to be applied to any topic chosen by the student.
- Speeches last for 4 minutes and at least two selected elements of the Four Way Test are woven through the speech.
- There is a maximum of two participants per school.
- Prizes are awarded.

#### Benefits for the participants

- Developing planning, research, organising and presentation skills.
- Understanding the importance of effective communication.
- Improving ability to speak effectively in front of an audience.
- Improving self-esteem and confidence.

#### Applications

Open: 1<sup>st</sup> July 2017

Close: Mid-August 2017

**Cost: \$100** per student – paid by sponsoring Rotary clubs.

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Heat dates will be allocated

#### For further information

<http://operations.9810rotary.org.au> and follow the links via Youth Service to Year 10 Four Way Test Speech Contest.

## Youth Service Programs

### Youth Exchange

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#### Program participants

Students must be in years 9, 10 or 11 in the year that they make application. The preferred age of applicants is between 15years 6months and 17years 6months at time of departure. This is in January of the year following application. The duration of the exchange is twelve months.

#### Program information

- This year-long program provides for selected students to live and study in an overseas country while living with approved families.
- There is a two-stage interview process and students are allocated to a country according to availability.
- The selection process is followed by an orientation program to prepare students and families for the experience.
- Students from the exchange countries currently in Australia and former exchange students are part of the preparation process.

#### Benefits for the participants

- Understanding and adapting to living in a new culture.
- Learning another language.
- Becoming more independent and confident.
- Developing personal organisational skills.

#### Applications

Open: February 2018

Close: March 2018

#### Cost

The actual total cost of the outbound exchange to the student (parents) will vary depending on the country of exchange and the student's own personal budget.

Estimated costs of hosting the inbound exchange student vary – please contact Youth Exchange Program Chair Bob Prosser for details.

#### For further information

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