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Long-term disaster recovery efforts

After a natural disaster, the news crews eventually leave, but Rotarians remain, helping to pick up the pieces in the communities where they've lived, worked, and raised their families. Rotarians and The Rotary Foundation have provided support for many of these long-term recovery projects. Read about a few examples.

New Orleans: Saving a high school

Everyone who lived through Hurricane Katrina has a story of loss, including members of the Rotary Club of New Orleans, Louisiana, USA. But those Rotarians also have a story of renewal. When the 2005 storm and its floodwaters receded, club members banded together to help reopen Louisiana's oldest public high school, Warren Easton. <u>Read more and see a video</u> to learn about the devastation and how Rotarians helped rebuild the school.



Students take notes in one of Warren Easton's renovated science labs.

Haiti: Bringing medical care

A team of Rotarians brought much-needed medical treatment to residents on the island of La Gonave, Haiti. They also installed 18 solar panels to power the remote village's medical clinic and water pump. <u>Read more.</u>

Honduras: Rebuilding the community through grants and microcredit loans

Nueva Esperanza, a sustainable community in Honduras for families devastated by Hurricane Mitch, was established with the help of a US\$445,000 Rotary



Contribute

The Annual Programs Fund fundraising goal is US\$95.5 million. As of 30 April, you have contributed US\$78,074,972. Thank you!

We need your continued support to meet our goal. <u>Make your contribution</u> today to help the Foundation in *Building Communities -- Bridging Continents*.

Check your contribution history through <u>Member Access</u>. You must have an e-mail address on file at Rotary International (submit e-mail addresses to <u>data@rotary.org</u>).

Rotarians give generously for Rotary's birthday

The Rotary Foundation raised about US\$4.1 million through the double Paul Harris Fellow recognition credit incentive. In honor of Rotary's birthday on 23 February, <u>online contributions</u> of \$100 or more to the Foundation grant. The effort also provided eye and dental care, medicine, medical equipment, books, and computers to the community, and it enabled women to set up small businesses with microcredit loans.

To access more insights and stories about your Foundation's life-changing activities, <u>download weekly Foundation Thoughts</u>.

Conventional wisdom

If you're going to the 2011 RI Convention in New Orleans, don't miss the Annual Giving--Every Rotarian, Every Year workshop, 14:00-15:00 on Monday, 23 May, rooms 386-387.

Rotarians will share best practices for supporting the Foundation's Annual Programs Fund. <u>Download the 2011 Workshop Guide.</u>

Every club is critical to making a difference

As of 18 May, 11,289 clubs worldwide have yet to contribute to the <u>Annual</u> <u>Programs Fund</u>. If each of those clubs give US\$1,000, over \$11 million more would be available to help prevent disease, increase access to clean water, reduce child mortality, ensure education, and develop vocational opportunities.

Between 1 July 2010 and 1 May 2011, the Foundation received 1,912 Matching Grant and District Simplified Grant applications for humanitarian projects on five continents. The grants, which totaled \$51,385,906, would not have been possible without your contributions to the Annual Programs Fund. Learn more about how to fund a project.

Inspire giving

Will your Rotary club meet its goals for giving to The Rotary Foundation? In the May issue of *Rotary Leader*, <u>get tips on how to inspire giving.</u>

Read More.

Where do your Foundation contributions go?

Learn about the Foundation's unique funding model in a new e-learning module.

Read More.

<u>Annual Programs Fund</u> received double recognition credit.

Member Access registrant wins 1,000 points

Congratulations to Roy Ashby, of the Rotary Club of Dulwich & Peckham, Greater London, England, who won the drawing for 1,000 Foundation recognition points. Nearly 5,000 Rotarians entered the contest by creating a Member Access account between 15 January and 15 February.

For more information about Every Rotarian, Every Year or to share examples of successful fundraising strategies, please contact: Telephone: 1-847-866-3352 Fax: 1-847-328-5260 E-mail: <u>erey@rotary.org</u> RI website: <u>www.rotary.org</u>

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