# RCWO INTERNATIONAL SERVICE ACTIVITIES: SELECTED RECENT ACHIEVEMENTS

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## TYPES OF INTERNATIONAL ACTIVITIES WITH RCWO INVOLVEMENT

- Individual-Led Projects
- Club-to-Club Projects
- Club- & District-Funded Projects
- Global Grant-Supported Projects with Club Engagement
- Global Grant-Supported Projects with Individual Engagement
- Humanitarian Aid
- International Cooperation

#### **INDIVIDUAL-LED PROJECTS**

- "Bea's Wells"
  - Initiated in 2007 & led by RCWO's Bea Osome (& husband Ben)
    - Objective: To build 10 wells to provide clean & safe drinking water in communities in rural West Kenya
    - Achievement: Has built 22 wells, with RCWO investment of approx. \$65k



#### **CLUB-TO-CLUB PROJECTS: JAMAICA**

- During the COVID lock-downs, and in partnership with the RC Downtown Kingston, helped donate 30 tablets to three needy high schools to allow for on-line learning
- The tablets will be owned by the schools & loaned to students
- "Having access to a tablet can make a massive difference for the young people's lives and their families." (Andrew Evelyn, RCDK)





#### CLUB-TO-CLUB PROJECTS: T&T

- In partnership with the RC Central Port of Spain, Trinidad & Tobago, the RCWO contributes to the Adopt-a-School program
- The 3-year joint project enables the All-in-One School and the Each-One-Teach-One School to improve the learning environment in low-income communities





## **CLUB- & DISTRICT-SUPPORTED PROJECTS**

- D7040 offers funding support to Club-led projects through:
  - District Simplified Grants
  - District Matching Grants
- In recent years, RCWO has utilised both types for WaSH (*Water, Sanitation & Hygiene*) projects in Kenya:
  - Potable water supply, Vohovole Primary School and village
  - Hygienic Toilet Facility for Esiandumba Primary School











## **GLOBAL GRANT-SUPPORTED PROJECTS**

- Global Grants offer a mechanism to engage in major international projects through The Rotary Foundation
  - Partial funding for projects from TRF
  - Bring together variety of players, and allow Clubs to engage in a wider array of projects
  - By using Rotary Foundation \$, increased bang-for-the-buck for local Clubs and individuals
  - Allows for enhanced world-wide cooperation, collaboration & visibility

Global grants support large international activities with sustainable, measurable outcomes in Rotary's areas of focus. By working together to respond to real community needs, clubs and districts strengthen their global partnerships.

Global grants have a minimum budget of \$30,000 and a maximum World Fund award of \$400,000. Grant sponsors can use a combination of District Designated Funds (DDF), cash, and/or directed gifts and endowment earnings to fund a global grant. The Foundation will provide an 80 percent World Fund match for all DDF contributions.

## GLOBAL GRANT-SUPPORTED PROJECTS WITH CLUB ENGAGEMENT

- Uganda: Economically Empowering People with Disabilities through skills training (RCWO: Internat'l Club)
- Colombia: Virtual Learning Environments (VLE) for the inclusion of students with spina bifida
- Ghana: Development of a Vocational School











## GLOBAL GRANT-SUPPORTED PROJECTS WITH INDIVIDUAL ENGAGEMENT

- Fundación Hospital San José De Buga (Colombia)
  - Neonatal Intensive Care Unit
  - Safe and Humanised Motherhood
  - Light That Saves Lives
- Toileton (El Salvador)
  - Implementing a WaSH Program in Public Schools in El Salvador Phase 2



#### HUMANITARIAN AID

- Rotary is not a first responder organisation in disaster situations; assists relief and rebuilding efforts
  - Haiti:
    - Contribution to 2021 earthquake reconstruction efforts
  - ShelterBox:
    - Purchase of a ShelterBoxes following:
      - Haiti earthquake
      - Tonga earthquake
  - Contributions towards Ukraine relief efforts:
    - RI Ukraine Relief Fund
    - Canadian-Ukraine Foundation

#### **INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION**

- Twinning Agreements exist between Rotary Clubs worldwide, and are established based on mutually acceptable goals between equals
- Club Twinning Agreement between RC Mira Road, Mumbai and RCWO
  - Objective: The advancement of international understanding and goodwill and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service