

## Club Comes to the Aid of Those in Need in Dang, Nepal

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The Rotary Club of Kelowna Sunrise is on the verge of once again carrying out a humanitarian project, this time in Nepal. The club's International Service Committee has developed a project to provide employment skills training for hundreds of impoverished and marginalized women, men and youth in the Dang area of Nepal.



**Linda Frandsen meets with members of the Rotary Club of Dang to finalize Humanitarian project**

The training for these community members will include literacy, financial literacy, small business/entrepreneurship, vegetable cultivation, basket weaving, plumbing, bicycle repair, masonry, carpentry, electrician, and beautician skill development.

The Rotary Club of Kelowna with a donation of \$5,000 USD received financial support from the Rotary Clubs of Ogoogo, West Kelowna Daybreak, and Kelowna totaling \$7,000 USD, and an additional donation from Kelowna Sunrise member Rene Bernard to raise \$13,000 USD locally. A matching grant from Rotary District 5060 provided an additional \$13,000 USD, which together with the local donations was then matched by a Government of Canada program resulting in an additional \$26,000 USD.

Upon confirmation of this funding, the Rotary Foundation then provided a Global Grant of

\$32,600 USD. After all funding was put in place, including a small financial commitment from the Rotary Club of Dang, the club responsible for managing and implementing the project, and from District 3292, a total of \$84,800 USD became available for the major humanitarian project which will make a difference for hundreds of Dang citizens.

Upon final document signing by the District 3292 (Nepal/Bhutan) and the Rotary Club of Dang in Nepal, all funding will be processed and the project will then commence.