

Economic Community Development Project in Dang, Nepal Finally on Stream

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It has taken some time to process, but the Economic Community Development Project in Nepal is now in place serving many people within the impoverished Dang region.

The comprehensive project will provide employment skills training for women, youth and men. The first training course started in mid-February, when ten women participated in the "Basket Weaving" course for one week. It was reported that the women were very satisfied with the training and were dedicated to the classes. During the first week of March, ten adults will begin the Bicycle repair course which will last for three months. Other training programs will be scheduled throughout the year.



The project is a collaboration between the Rotary Club of Kelowna Sunrise, the Dang Rotary Club and Creating Possibilities Nepal.

The total funding of US\$73,806 for the project, which included finances of US\$6000 from the Rotary Club of Kelowna Sunrise and funding from the Rotary Clubs of West Kelowna Daybreak, Kelowna Ogoopogo and Kelowna with an additional amount of \$US7000, was greatly enhanced with matching grants to arrive at the total cost of the project. A matching grant of \$US13,000 was first received through the District Designated Funds of District 5060, which was then matched by a grant from the TRF Government of Canada Fund amounting to \$US26,000. The remainder of funding came from a matching grant from the Global Fund of The Rotary Foundation.