





# Rotary Club of Calgary at Stampede Park



World Community Service  
Report to the Club for the period 2023-2024  
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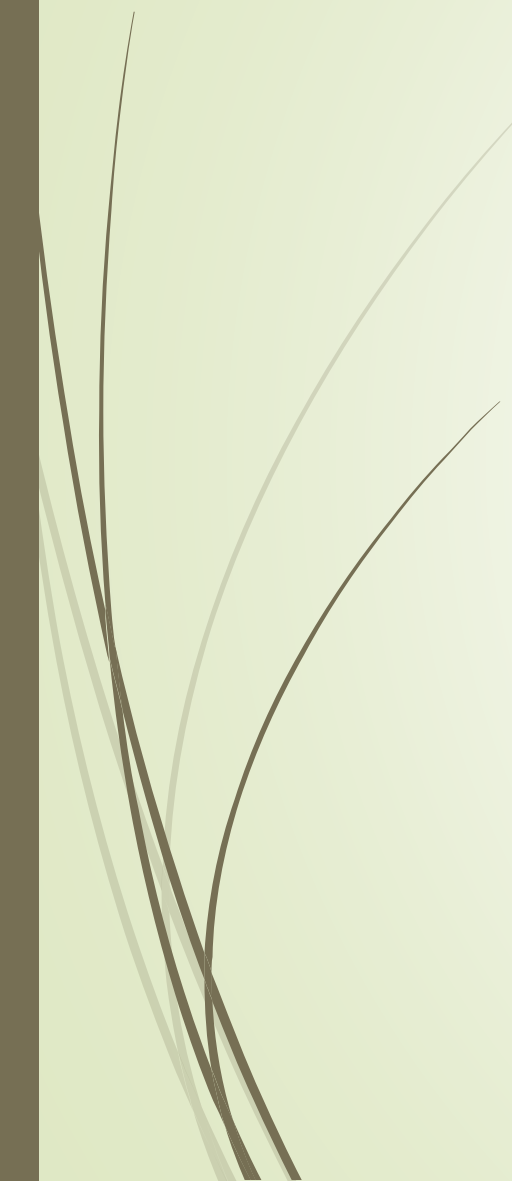


# World Community Service

- Dedicated to the principals of Rotary International, our World Community Service committee, with your support, strives to support humanitarian, educational, environmental and economic assistance in regions of the world many of us will never see.
  - Our goal is to make a difference by improving the lives of those less fortunate.
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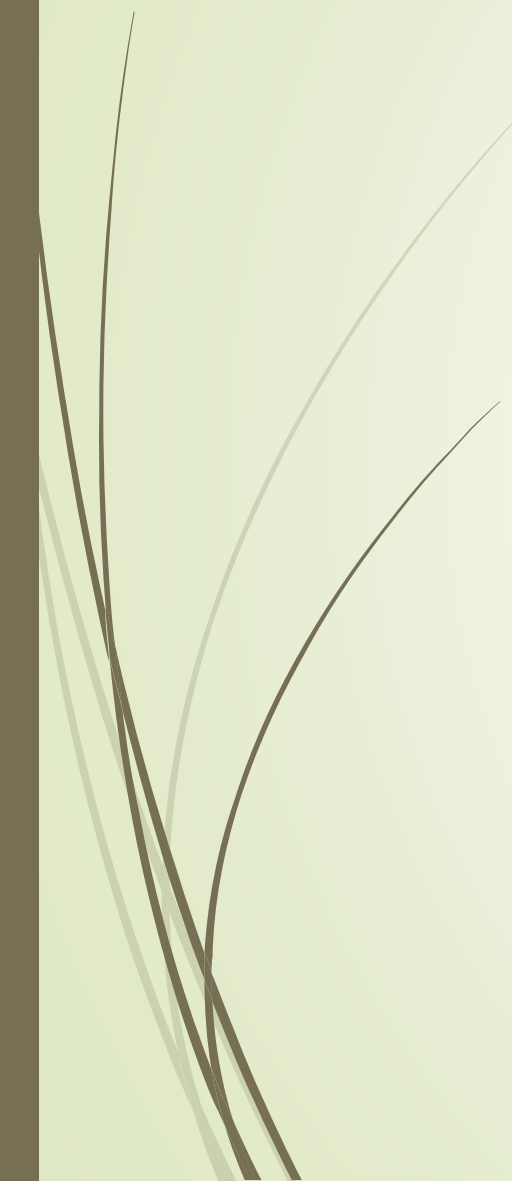


## What did we do this past year?

- In 2023/2024 with a budget of \$180,000 your Club supported 20 projects in 14 countries. In some cases we were able to leverage our funds by working with other Rotary Clubs, our District and Rotary International.
  - The estimated project value of the 20 projects we have invested in this past year totals \$1,668,000 CDN.
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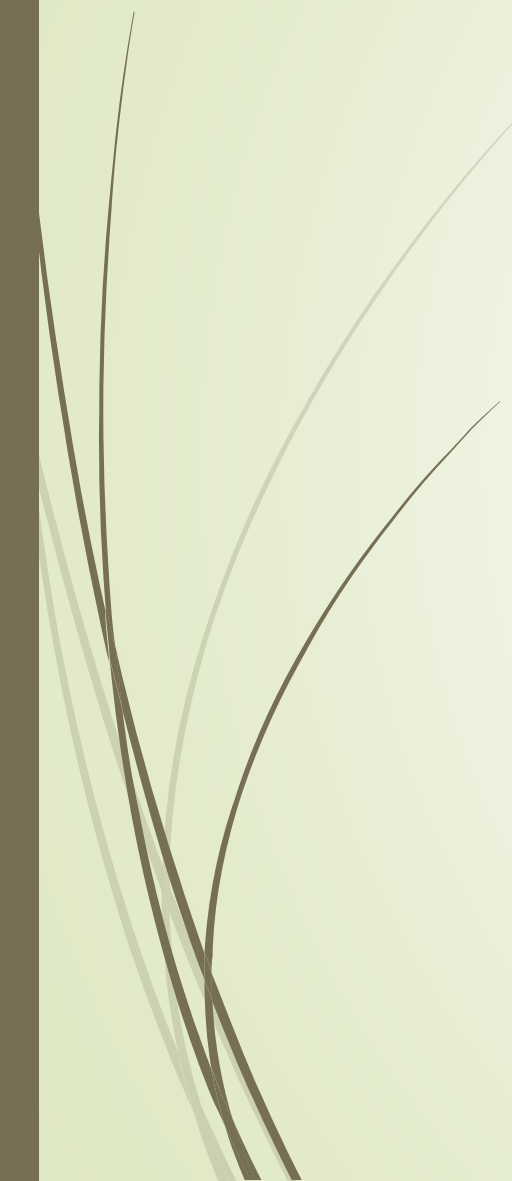


# Water and Sanitation in Ghana

- ▶ We invested in a water and sanitation project in Ghana, that will benefit over 27,000 persons, is forecast to cost \$94,000 CDN. Our Club's contribution is \$5,800. Clubs across Canada, the USA and Ghana together with our District and RI are partners in this project.
  - ▶ We are so fortunate to have Walter Hughes from the Rotary Club of Salem Virginia and our own Bob Wiens to help guide and manage our Club's WCS committee through this project.
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# Fog Harvesting in Manchay Peru

- Building on the historical success of over 2000 installations we invested in a Fog Harvesting project in Peru.
  - Manchay is an impoverished community of 190,000 persons living in a desert like environment. High mountains and proximity to the Pacific Ocean offers an opportunity to capture water through netting and related piping and storage. This system can capture up to 400 litres per panel per day!
  - The applicant, Communities for Life is the initiative of the Calgary based Jack Neufeld Family Charitable Foundation.
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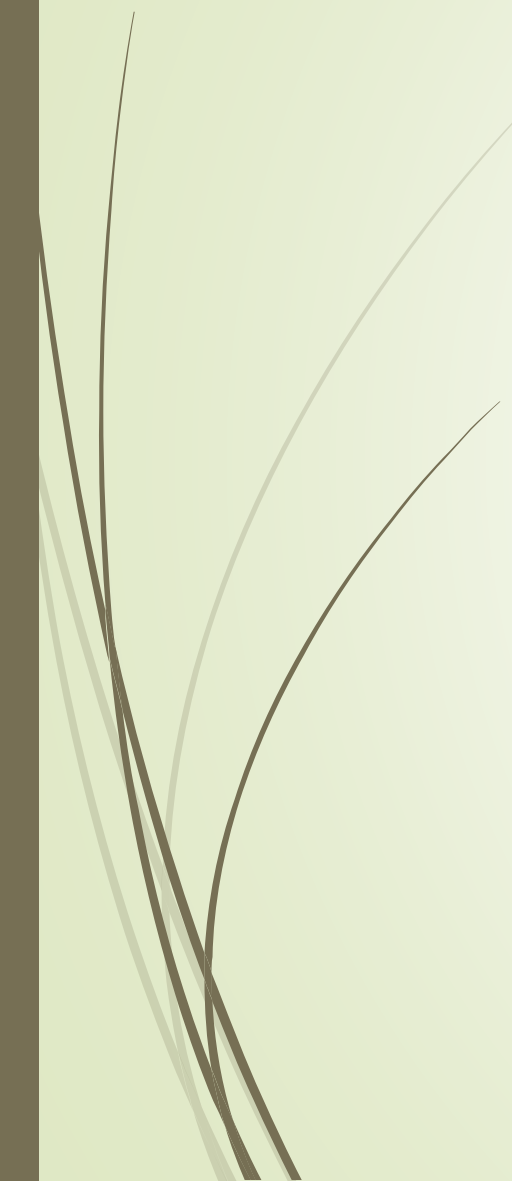


# Beneficiaries

- Approximating the number of those who benefit from our support is sometimes difficult. Our goal is to maximize the number of beneficiaries which this year was in excess of 51,000 persons.
- Because most of our funding goes toward capital projects, the number of beneficiaries increases significantly over time. For this reason we encourage applicants and beneficiaries to focus on sustainability, education, training, utilization of local materials and labor and local community involvement to ensure the project benefits are shared with the largest number of persons.



# Sample List of Projects

- Literacy in Guatemala
  - School Upgrades in India
  - Orphanage Generator in Uganda
  - Eye Surgery in Ecuador
  - Industrial School Education in Brazil
  - Cervical Cancer Screening in Guatemala
  - Clean Water in Nigeria
  - Fire Fighting equipment in Mexico
  - Housing in Cambodia
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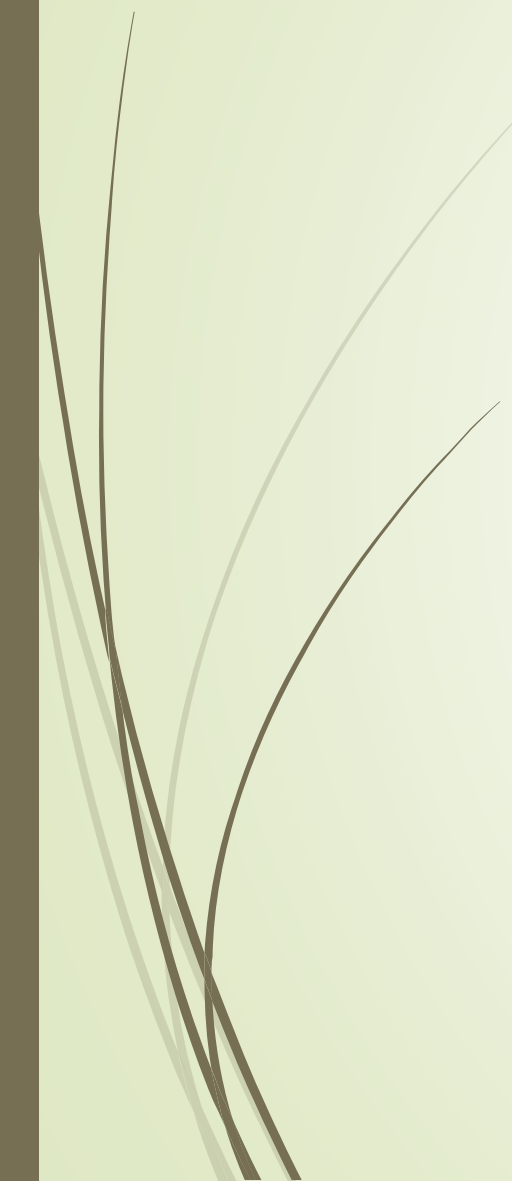


# Rewards outweigh the Risks

- A significant challenge inherent in what we do is managing risk. Seldom are our project leads on site to see our investment first hand. Therefore we focus on the following strategies in selecting who we will support:
  - Positive History working with other Rotary Clubs, International Charities and Foundations e.g. Operation Eyesight, Shelter Box, Zarapath, Ashritha, Carpenters for Cambodia.
  - Encourage the use of Video updates if possible and email communication with project partners.
  - Completion Reports with photos and metrics to confirm outcomes and
  - Post project follow up and contact.



# What we do is essential!

- ▶ The world's poor are entitled to a good education, clean water and sanitation, medical services and economic opportunities.
  - ▶ Thanks to all of you for supporting your World Community Service Committee.
  - ▶ Special thanks to Bob Wiens who without hesitation continues year after year to support and guide this committee.
  - ▶ Thank you to this year's committee members who I would ask to stand up and be recognized.
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# A Note of Thanks from a Beneficiary

➤ June 11, 2024

From a letter addressed to Bryan Walton from Our Lady of Kibeho Orphanage Foundation, which through our Club's generosity together with the Downtown Club and a number of private donors constructed a deep well water system and provided a diesel generator to ensure that the loss of power wouldn't impact the delivery of clean water.

**She writes: “I am not worried about eating now because I always wash my hands with soap and clean water before eating. I wash the fruit before eating. Brushing my teeth every morning with germ-free water is my favorite thing to do. Nammazi Precious**