

# RCS ANNUAL REPORT 2021 - 2022

# **Rotary Community Services**

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# **ABOUT ROTARY COMMUNITY SERVICES**

Rotary Community Service (RCS) Committees work throughout the year to seek and fund projects and support charities and individuals in need. More than 80 grants and scholarships were given this year. We are so thankful for the hundreds of volunteer hours our members committed to seeing these funds make a difference in the lives of so many.

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# **Donor Recognition**

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# **COMMITTEE SPENDING**

#### **Civic Affairs Committee**

### Budget \$48,500 - Grants Given \$51,844\*

The Civic Affairs committee provided grant awards to 13 different community service organizations where the average award was just under \$4,000. Highlights include support of the Rotary scholarship endowment established at Elson S Floyd College of Medicine (WSU), Welcome kits with linens and laundry baskets, cleaning supplies, etc. for clients entering their first apartments out of homelessness (Community Frameworks) and weekend food kits for students at Stevens Elementary that help reduce the anxiety of food insecurity.

## **Disability Services Committee**

#### Budget \$25,000 - Grants Given \$21,914.55

The Disability Services committee participated in awarding grants to 13 different grantees including a stair lift to help a disabled couple continued access to their washer/dryer and electrical panel remain which allowed them to remain in their residence, multiple hearing aids provided and multiple tricycles for induvial of all ages.

#### Foster KidFest Committee

#### Budget \$4,200 - Grants Given \$1,257.23

Highlights: Foster KidFest hosted a Foster Family Stargazing event with the help of Club 21 astronomers, Joe Bruce, and Mark Barnes. It was an educational and memorable evening for over a dozen children in foster care ages 5 to 17. Foster KidFest will be back in full swing during the next fiscal year.

#### **International Services Committee**

#### Budget \$35,000 - Grants Given \$44,534.95\*

Highlights: The International Services committee supported 10 grant projects this Rotary year including support to Ukrainian and Afghan refugees, Río Muchacho community potable water system Project, Chiang Mai School Vision Screening Project, and Rotary Youth Exchange.

#### **Partners for Work Committee**

#### Budget \$2,600 - Grants Given \$930.41

Highlights: The Partners for Work committee supported 1 employer during this Rotary year. The committee faced hardships related to Covid19 and opted to hibernate the program for the upcoming Rotary year.

#### **Youth Services Committee**

#### Budget \$48,500 - Grants Given \$35,948.40

The Youth Services committee awarded 19 grants to community organization to improve the lives of youth in our community. Grants included project and book support for students at Stevens, Hallett and Holmes Elementary. Support of Interact 221's Jared Box project and a revamp of the <u>Youth Service Awards which recognized four 11<sup>th</sup> grade upcoming artist in the Spokane community.</u>

## **Support Our Veterans Committee**

#### Budget \$10,000 - Grants Given \$12,821.60\*

Highlights: The Support Our Veterans committee awarded 17 grants to community organizations including support to Music as Therapy for Veterans with PTSD (Holy Names Music Center), providing meals to local area military and their families (Operation Spokane Heros), and providing necessities & essential household items to Veterans, active military & their families during the holidays (Newby-Ginnings Christmas Program, 2 families sponsored)

#### **Vaccinations Committee**

## Budget \$2,500 - Grants Given \$0

Highlights: The Vaccinations committee was dormant for the year due to effect from Covid19 but anticipates a return to helping support community vaccination events in the 2022-2023 Rotary year.

#### **Vocational Services Committee**

#### Budget \$15,340 - Grants Given \$13,540

The Vocational Services honored 12 students with awards and recognition during meetings this Rotary year and award 5 of these students' additional scholarships to continue their education at the school of their choosing to be used within the next two years. <u>2 Katy Reeves</u> Scholarship recipients were chosen to receive scholarships.

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<sup>\*</sup>Grants exceeding committee budget were given through the support of unused budgets of other committees.