

COMMUNITY SERVICE COMMITTEE

The Community Service Committee (CSC) of the Rotary Club of Denver Southeast (DSE) is one of two of the largest and most active Committees of our Club. Based on monies allocated from our Foundation, the CSC approves and funds projects every year providing opportunities for Rotarians to volunteer and serve their local community. Last year we funded 19 projects with \$55,000 that served over 5,000 people in the Denver area.

We meet every third Tuesday of the month at 7:30 AM in a Zoom meeting. If you have any interest in participating in our meetings, please contact Steve Radcliffe at ridgecliffe756@gmail.com.

THESE ARE SOME OF OUR CURRENT AND PAST PROJECTS

Florence Crittenton

We provided funding as well as volunteer activities for Florence Crittenton, a school for young working mothers that allows young women with babies to complete their high school education. Volunteer activities include holding babies while their mothers are in class, assisting with graduation activities, championing a diaper drive, raising funds for baby clothes and personal hygiene/cosmetic items as well as helping with their holiday parties for the students.



Bags of Fun

The Community Service Committee has both funded and provided volunteers to assemble backpacks for seriously ill children. The organization, Bags of Fun, provides back packs of specifically selected toys and gifts for seriously and terminally ill children in Colorado and surrounding states.



Rotarians packing backpacks full of fun products

World Affairs Challenge (WAC)

Our Club participates annually through funding and volunteer judging at the World Affairs Conference that provides a one-day forum for high school and junior high school students to analyze a global issue and prepare a solution.

This year's theme: Equality as defined by the United Nation's Sustainable Development Goals: Gender, Economic, Social and Educational equality. Last year's theme was Smart Planet and what the world needed to do to keep up with population growth, climate change, and new ways of conducting business and communications.

About 50 middle and high school teams of 8 – 10 students each along with teachers and chaperones attend resulting in about 100 judges and WAC volunteers. 8-10 members of our Club are volunteer judges.



Participants at the last WAC Conference

There With Care

This project provides several bags of supplies to help families in midst of medical crises.



There with Care Bags

First Tee Read and Swing Program

First Tee educates and inspires youth academically, physically, and socially through the game of golf. Our gift helped kids improve their reading abilities.



First Tee Kids

Cross Purpose

Cross Purpose is a non-profit organization that trains and prepares people in poverty to get good paying jobs to support themselves. So far, they have 579 graduates from their program. Rotary gave \$4,500 which had an economic impact of \$29,025. Over the years, Rotary has given \$20,580 to Cross Purpose.



Graduates of Cross Purpose

Nyadak Pal Peace Foundation

This foundation for sponsored 12 African Immigrant students to participate in the JETS (STEM) Program from February 4th to May 15th. We were able to have 19 African Students in The JETS program which was a great success for these students.



JETS Participants

Other DSE Programs

Our Community Service Committee provided grants for many other programs including Christmas toys for kids, mentoring for underprivileged children, support for refugees, giving released prisoners a second chance, holiday baskets for veterans and for the Indian Center, a library for students, disaster relief funds for fire victims and ethics classes for elementary students.