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Hello Turkey Trot supporters!

What a whirlwind year it has been! Above anything else, we hope this letter finds you safe and healthy during these challenging and unprecedented times in our country and the world.

This Thanksgiving morning would have been our club's 8th annual Wallkill East Rotary 5K Turkey Trot. Unfortunately, we are not able to host an in-person event. We certainly do hope we can be back to normal in 2021!

We have continued to support a number of community partners through the pandemic and there are still great needs in our community. We are asking for you to consider still supporting our club in some capacity. Our sponsor levels in the past have been \$500 and \$250, but we will certainly be tremendously grateful for any amount you should choose to send. We will not have an event where we can promise the 'perks' we have in the past, but we do still plan to have an event shirt with all of our sponsors on the back. We will also promote sponsors on our club's website and on social media.

Thank you in advance for your consideration!

Sincerely,

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**WALLKILL EAST ROTARY'S
LOCAL CHARITY SUPPORT CONTINUES DESPITE PANDEMIC**

WE ARE 'PEOPLE OF ACTION'

- Assisted Jewish Family Services with shopping for seniors and delivering groceries to their clients
- Helped Pine Bush Central School District pack 300+ breakfasts and lunches for distribution each school day to students in the district
- Donated 35 Easter baskets to HONOR for families that were temporarily housed at their facility
- Created the Wallkill East Rotary Adopt-A-Family Fund, a community response initiative to support families hit hard by COVID-19. Since its creation in April 2020, almost \$30,000 has been distributed to help families pay their utility bills, pay medical bills, purchase grocery gift cards, purchase gas cards, and more. Through this fund we have teamed up with the Mental Health Association, the Middletown Enlarged City School District, the Pine Bush Central School District, The Salvation Army, HONOR, St. Paul's Church (Bullville), Jewish Family Services, RECAP, and Legal Services of the Hudson Valley
- Awarded our annual scholarships to graduating high school seniors totalling \$7,500
- Organized our second annual golf outing to benefit 12th Rock and Wallkill East Rotary local service projects, which raise \$15,000
- Collected and donated school supplies for the Girl Scouts and Town of Wallkill Boys and Girls Clubs
- Provided financial support to local food pantries to support them during the COVID-19 pandemic
- Delivered food and water donated by Canteen Vending to various organizations, including The Salvation Army and Garnet Health Medical Center
- Organized multiple road clean-ups of our adopted highway, Tower Drive, in the Town of Wallkill
- Organized a coat drive to collect men's, women's, and children's new and gently used winter coats to donate to families in the Middletown and Pine Bush school districts

