



April 2021

Dear Neighbor,

The Chanhassen Rotary Club **needs your help**. As COVID-19 continues to limit activities, the future has never felt so unpredictable. The **loss of our Club's major fundraiser last year**, selling beer and wine at the City of Chanhassen's Fourth of July celebration, has **put our ability to continue to fund our programs at risk**.

Over the last thirty-five years, the Chanhassen Rotary Club has provided scholarships to service-oriented high school seniors and participants in our STRIVE program, which helps at-risk high school students graduate and continue on with post-secondary education. **This year's graduating seniors have been through enough, and we want to keep our scholarship programs intact.**

Service to the Chanhassen Community is at the heart of our Rotarians. Right now, we are doing everything possible to sustain our annual programs such as donations supporting local charities. We also support the Chanhassen wide celebrations by sponsoring the Fourth of July parade, Taste of Chanhassen, and other activities. **Without your support, our ability to sponsor local charities and community events at past levels will be gone.**

Helping others around the world is also a key part of our Club's work. Rotary International has led the effort to eradicate polio and we are "this close" to getting that done. We've sponsored programs in Africa, Haiti and Central America, and funded food shelves for Venezuelan refugees. Please help us continue to help others in Chanhassen and around the world who are fighting to hang on during the pandemic by donating to the Chanhassen Rotary Foundation.

In times like these, we are reminded of how interconnected we all are. **Please help us continue to help others in need.** Thank you in advance for your financial support.

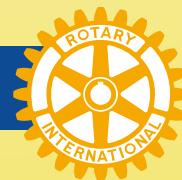
Stay safe and well,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "KC Ahrens".

KC Ahrens

Chanhassen Rotary President

Yes, I want to help keep these programs alive!



Donate Securely by:

- Credit Card: go to www.chanhassenrotary.org to select the **light blue Donate** button (in upper right hand corner)
- Venmo: @ Donate_Chan_Rotary
- Check: Please see reverse side for directions

Questions about donations, sponsorship or membership, please contact Todd Gerhardt at 612•578•8633

Your support is tax deductible. Chanhassen Rotary Foundation is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization.

The Rotary Club of Chanhassen Needs Your Help to Keep these Programs Alive

Anyone can be a Rotarian if they are looking for a way to make a difference in our Chanhassen community... and beyond. Today over fifty local Rotarians are involved in supporting community celebrations, scholarships and programs for our youth, as well as many local and international charities. This year more than ever we need your financial support to keep our programs alive. Here are ways you can help:



Support Key Local and International Charities Meeting Basic Needs!

So many charities are helping community residents every day. Past recipients include:

LOCAL

- Bountiful Baskets
- Camp Fire Minnesota
- Chanhassen Seniors
- Families Moving Forward
- Hope House (Open Hands)
- Launch Ministries
- Love INC
- PROP
- WeCab

INTERNATIONAL

- International Clean Water
- Kenya Olive Academy
- Polio Eradication
- School in Chimbote, Peru
- Student Exchange



Keep Chanhassen's favorite Community Celebration Alive!

Organizing and funding community celebrations are an important part of your Rotary's Club's mission. Our **great get together** is the 4th of July celebration and parade that has become a community tradition, attended by 25,000 people. Other

Rotary celebrations include:

- Classic Car Show
- Taste of Chanhassen
- FebFest
- Breakfast with Santa
- Hooked on Books



Continue Funding Student Scholarships and Mentoring Programs!

Every year over 40 scholarships are given to seniors from Chanhassen's high schools in the following program areas:

- Community Service
- STRIVE
- Camp Enterprise

85% of funding supports our local Community — 15% supports international programs

ANY TAX DEDUCTIBLE AMOUNT WILL HELP

I have included a check for a one-time donation for \$250 \$150 \$100 Other \$ _____

Make checks payable to Chanhassen Rotary Foundation

and return this form in the enclosed envelope addressed to: *Chanhassen Rotary Foundation*

PO Box 1072

Chanhassen, MN 55317

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Add me to the Club's newsletter so I can see how my contribution is working.

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