

Welcome to PARKER ROTARY International Service

INTERNATIONAL AVENUE OF SERVICE (International Service Committee)

Goal:

Rotary founder, Paul Harris, once declared, “**I have no hesitation in saying that world peace could be achieved and made permanent if reared on Rotary’s firm foundation of friendliness, tolerance, and usefulness.**”

The aim of International Service is to develop and maintain friendly and peaceful relations in a troubled world and to assist those who are less fortunate. Through this, the Fourth Avenue of Service, Rotarians can reach across oceans and national boundaries to meet a multitude of humanitarian needs.

Our committee is a clear example of this avenue, and we provide services in **three ways**:

First, we’re privileged to **serve locally through hosting** foreign exchange students, foreign study groups, and other foreign teams. We arrange professional, cultural, and social events and seminars for these delegates and host them in our homes. Some of these projects are conducted in collaboration with other District Clubs.

Second, club members, whose schedules can accommodate, **travel abroad** to research new humanitarian projects, supervise projects we sponsor, perform volunteer on-site work, or deliver supplies.

Third, our club, individual members, and local sponsors budget direct **financial support** for international humanitarian projects in a very needy world, primarily through the Rotary Foundation Matching Grant system. A cornerstone of the International Service Programs is the Rotary International Foundation (TRF) it provides these grants which require collaboration with Rotary Clubs in the project country.

Most projects are brought to the Committee by a member who observes and develops a passion about a humanitarian problem or need in one of the **Six Areas of Focus: Peace and Conflict Resolution, Disease prevention and treatment, Water and sanitation, Maternal and child health, Basic education and literacy, and Economic and community development.**

If you have a project or idea that you would like Parker Rotary to consider, in addition to the projects on this website, please contact: any member of the International Service Committee

Our club has many rewarding International Service projects, and we encourage you to explore some of them and look for opportunities to serve!

A.- MATCHING GRANT PROJECTS

Status as of: **13 Oct 09**

<u>Country</u>	<u>Project</u>	<u>Primary Int’l Partner</u>	<u>Project Cost</u>	<u>Parker Contrib</u>	<u>DDF</u>	<u>Status</u>
Pakistan (08-09)	Literacy	RC Parker		2,262	-	approved
Brazil (08-09)	Literacy (Coffee Plant)	RC Westminster 7:10	33,475	1,000	-	approved
Cambodia (08-09)	Literacy/Vocational	RC Centennial		1,000	-	approved
India (08-09)	Watershed (3-yr)	RC Parker	137,375	2,750	-	approved
Peru (08-09)	Water	RC Aurora	29,000	1,000	-	c/w

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(2009-10)						
Zimbabwe	Water/San	RC Castle Rock	33,700	1,000	1,000	
Guatemala	Economic (Micro-credit)	RC Westminster 7:10	34,542	1,000		
India	Literacy /Nutrition	RC Denver LoDo (Follow-on)	19,222	1,000	1,000	approved
India	Handicapped/Vocational	RC Zurich-Nord (Follow-on)	19,794	2,000		approved
India	Watershed (3-yr)	RC Seattle #4	58,000	1,500	1,000	approved
India	Medical (CURE cntnr)	RC Centennial	15,000	1,000	1,000	c/w
Nigeria	Medical (CURE cntnr)	RC Parker	23,900	2,000	2,000	
Ukraine	Medical (CURE cntnr)	RC Boulder Valley	20,000	1,000	1,000	
Christmas Island	Water/San (School)	RC Commerce City	47,000	1,000	1,000	approved
Dominican Republic	Water/San (3-H)	RC Den Tech Center	50,000	1,000		

B. ALL INTERNATIONAL SERVICE PROJECTS

AFGHAN LITERACY - partnered with several clubs providing funds through an organization which is training teachers and building schools in rural provinces in Afghanistan so children (particularly girls) can resume, or begin their education

AMBASSADORIAL SCHOLARS – (Steve Watson) -

BALKANS – (Irv Buck) - GLOBAL CHILDREN'S ORGANIZATION (GCO) -

BRAZIL LITERACY – (Irv Buck) – RC Westminster 7:10 project, along with Social ally Conscious Coffee, providing Elementary Schooling to coffee-worker villages for both children and adults

CHRISTMAS ISLAND – RC Commerce City – Water and sanitation for schools

CAMBODIAN TRADE SCHOOL – (Bill Gripman, Jo Stone) - partnered with other clubs, developed sewing training program, micro-loan program to provide a way for students to afford their own machines and start independent business, (now school uniforms can be made which allow children to begin school); teaching grinding of second-hand eye-glasses; teaching basic computer skills

C.U.R.E. – (Mike Meyerle) -

Dominican Republic – RC Denver Tech Center – (3-H Grant)

GROUP STUDY EXCHANGE (GSE)- (Irv Buck) - partnered with other clubs, hosting small team of foreign visitors (non-Rotarians) for one month, fostering professional and cultural orientation. Likewise, reciprocating with a team from our District visiting their country, doing the same

GUATAMALA – RC Westminster 7:10 – Micro-credit loans extended to poverty-stricken woman to: improve education, business skills, and health and hygiene of families

INDIA LITERACY/NUTRITION – (Joel Engelstad) -

INDIA – RC Zurich-Nord – provisions for NASEOH (Nat'l Society for Equality for the Handicapped). Facility in Mumbai served by RC Bombay Mid-town

INDIA MEDICAL – RC Centennial - (C.U.R.E.) – (Larry Brutlag) -

INDIA WATERSHED MANAGEMENT – (Irv Buck) – Matching Grant (\$137,375) project on approximately 1650 acres of barren land 115 Km north of Mumbai. Sculpting of bundts, trenches, and 2 dams will force more of the monsoon rain into the ground. Prevents excess topsoil erosion and results in raising the water table which provides potable water in local shallow (20-foot) dug wells all year long. Available potable water, in addition to health issues, will provide water for kitchen gardens, vastly increasing nutrition all year. More than 40,000 saplings will mature to produce continuous firewood and commercial products (nuts and fruits). This project results in a PERMANENTLY SUSTAINABLE MICRO-ECO SYSTEM.

NIGERIA (C.U.R.E.) – (Larry Brutlag) -

OPEN WORLD – (Irv Buck, Tom Hankenson) - hosting small team of young professionals from Russia or other former Soviet countries for 8 days, providing professional, cultural, and social exchanges

ROTARY YOUTH EXCHANGE (RYE)- (John Gile, Liz Volz) - hosting one or two foreign high school students from August to June (school year) who attend the local high schools. There is also a short program (summer) exchange program which is more family-to-family. We have one applicant for the coming summer.

SHELTERBOXES – (Al Johnson) -

UKRAINE – RC Boulder Valley – C.U.R.E.

WORLD PEACE SCHOLARS – (Steve Watson) -

ZIMBABWE – RC Castle Rock - WATER AND SANITATION - (Larry Brutlag) -