

***Rotary Club of Fort Worth Southwest Projects**

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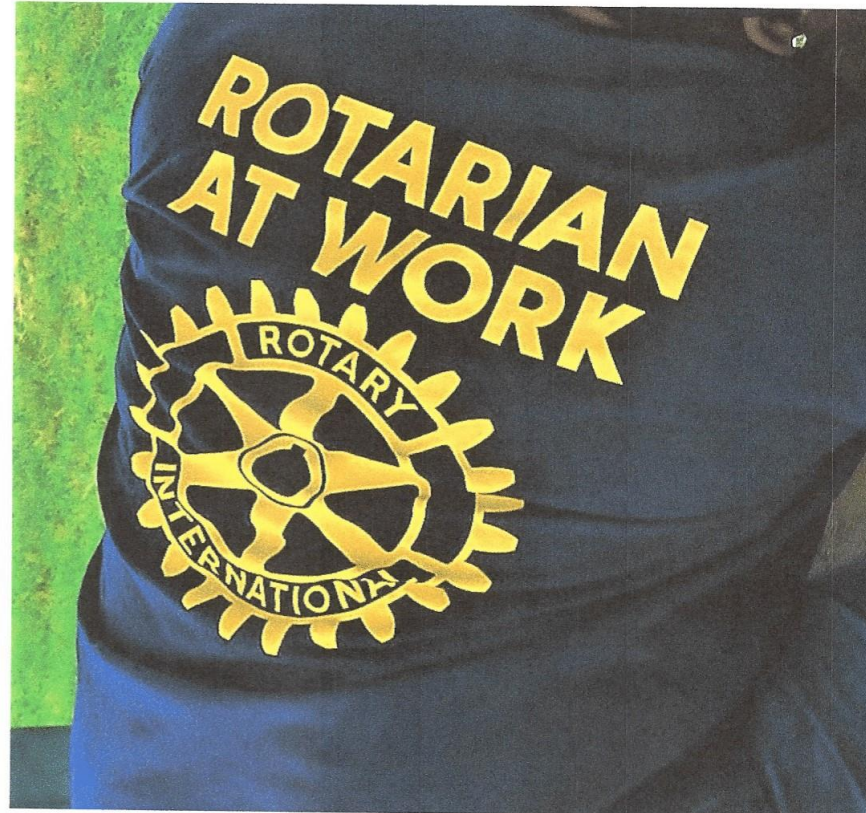
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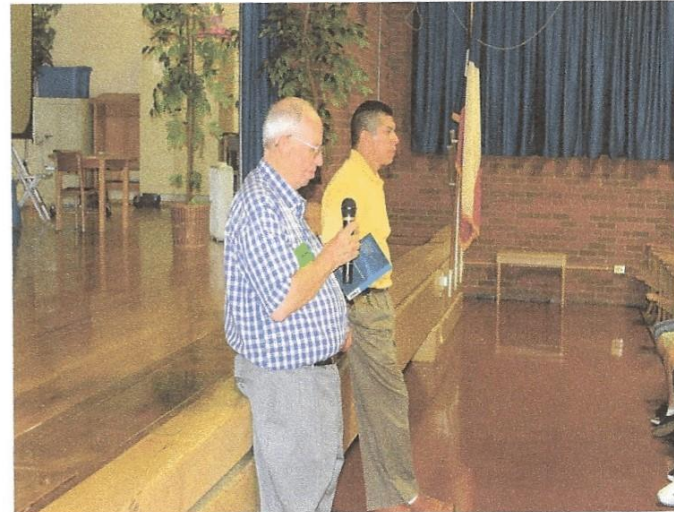
***Reflects past & present projects**



Dictionaries for 3rd Graders

We have provided new dictionaries to a total of 6 FWISD school every year since 1992 when Paul Curtis started this project which continues to this day.

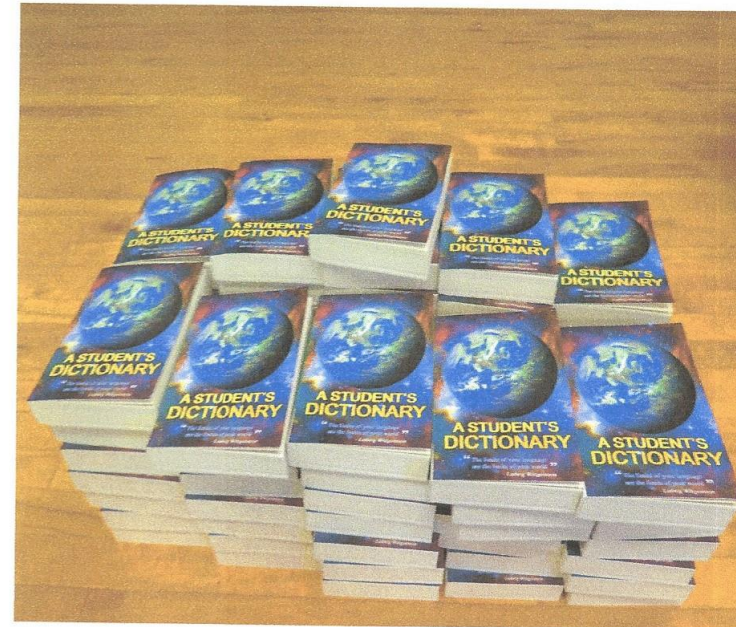
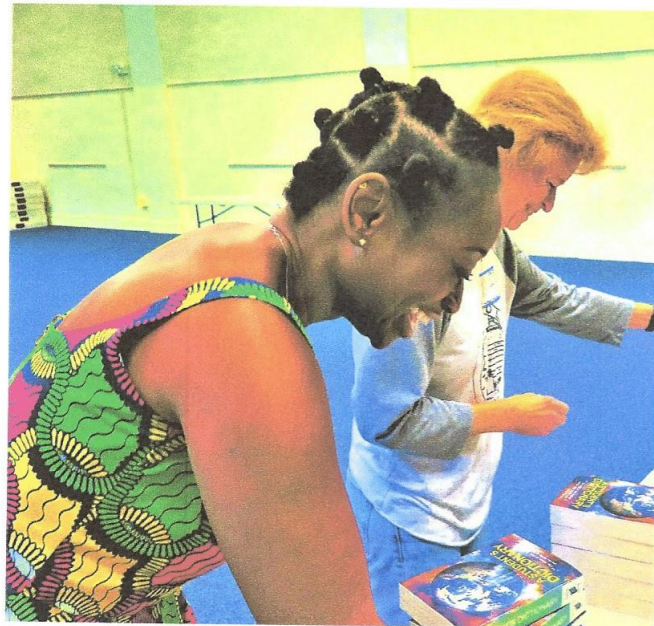
Over the years we have donated in excess of 18,000 dictionaries to better their education. We have had parents tell us that their child took their dictionary to college! (left) Paul Sitton explains how to use a dictionary. (right) Paul Curtis who started this project and for whom this project is named.



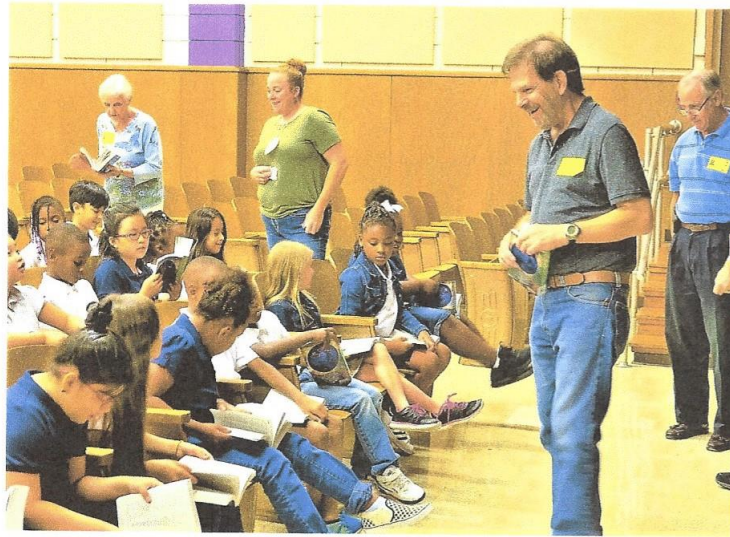
Students are excited about their dictionaries. Coming from a poverty area of Fort Worth – this is one of the first items the students have owned that didn't belong to a sibling.



Rotary member Ekua Anyanful and volunteer Jane Ervin place the Rotary 4 Way Test labels on each dictionary. The label also has a place for the students to print their name.



Rotarian's Nancy Ritz, Tom Kleuser and Jim Ervin along with one of the teacher's helped student's look through their dictionaries. Lien Griffin leads a discussion on what a dictionary can be used for!



Gabriel Alonso and Jim Ervin help the students celebrate!
Student becomes familiar with her new dictionary!

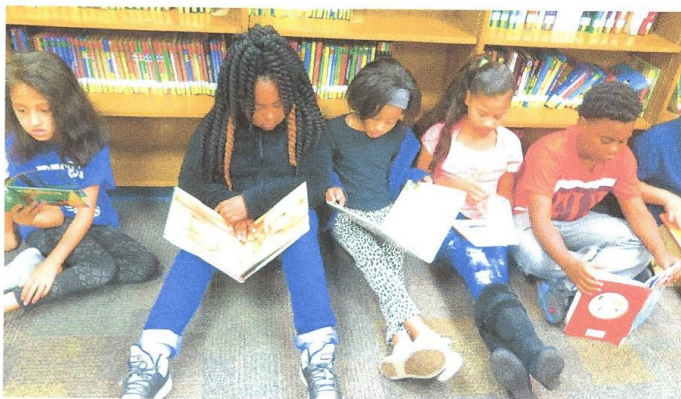
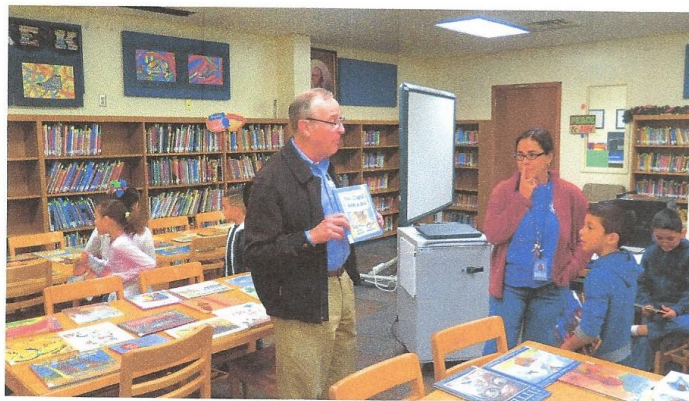


Books 4 Seconded Graders

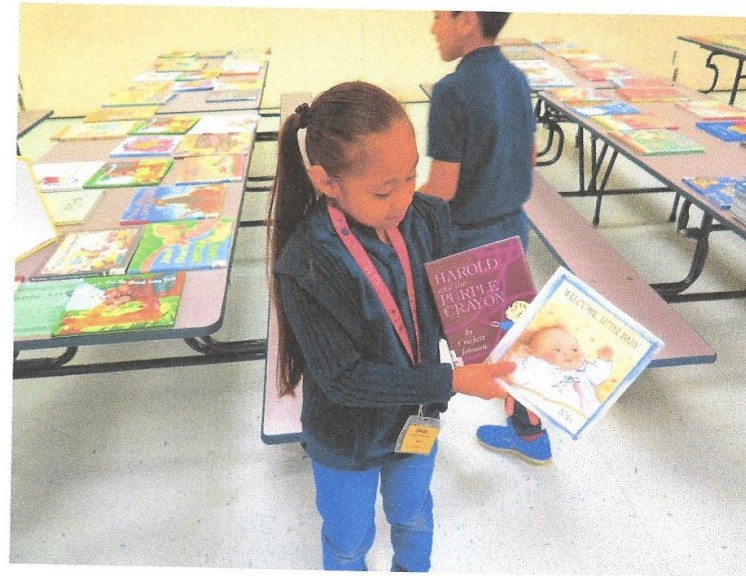
We provided 2nd grade level books for 3 FWISD schools.

In partnership with The Friends of the Library. Together we help provide more than 2,000 books!

These same students would receive a dictionary when they started the 3rd grade. (left) Dr Tom Kleuser helps the students pick out their own book! Students couldn't wait to start reading their book!



Tough choices to pick out just the right book! Awe – success – she found the perfect one!



Member Dr Tom Kleuser showing students his "favorite" book! Charles, Jim Tom, Ekua & Charles help show off some of the many books provided just to this one school!



Joint Effort Bench Project

The City of Fort Worth installed park benches along the Trinity River. The benches were not being maintained and they were in need of repair. Fort Worth Southwest along with 5 other local Rotary Clubs refurbished 35 benches on a Saturday morning. Home Depot provided \$500.00 worth of gift cards to purchase sanding material and outdoor varnish. Easy to see the before and after results!



Fort Worth Southwest member Ekua works a long side other Rotarians on the sunny Saturday morning!
Chris Castoro assist's in the final process of the finishing process along with two other Rotarian's



Janelle and Mike apply the finishing touches to one of 35 benches! Each bench received a Rotary emblem upon completion!



La Blanc Park

This park fell into disrepair and our club took on as a project to clean up and maintain.

Numerous items were picked up and discarded including needles in and around the play ground equipment. We performed maintenance for a period of time so it became a safe environment for the kids to play. The City of Fort Worth was then able to maintain the park. Pictured –front row Wade, Charles, Paul, Jim, Jane and Mike. Back row Gabriel, Tom, Mary and Tamara

Our last official act was to plant a tree

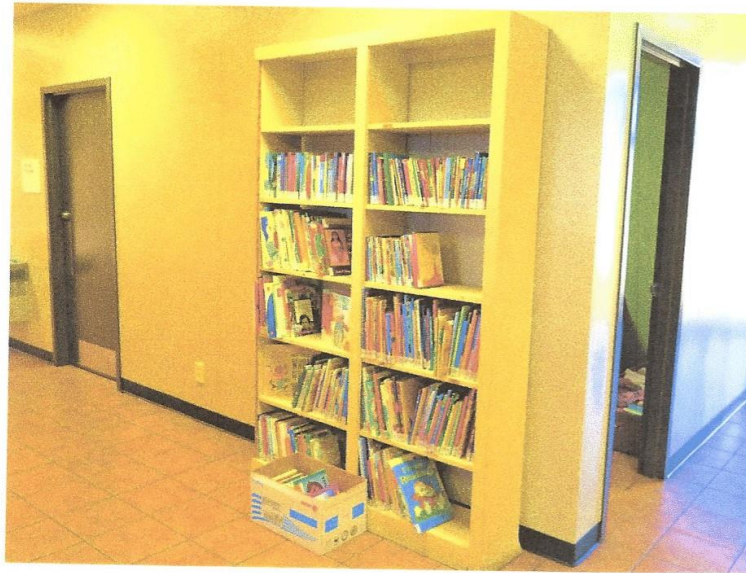


We helped start a library

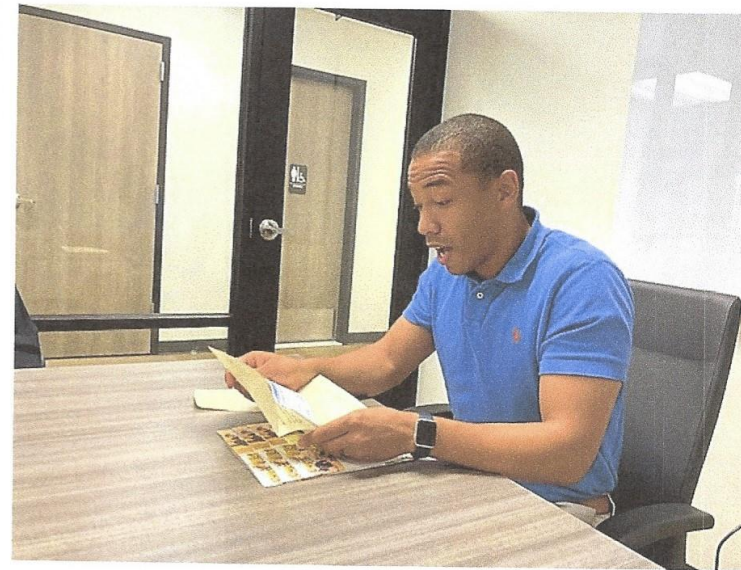
Our club became aware of an under served area here in Fort Worth that was in need of a library. Known as #LVTRise. We partnered with the Friends of the Library to provide the initial inventory. In turn they were in need of a library. We were able to provide around 400 books. The Friends of the Library presented the community center with a check in the amount of \$20,000. Our partnership allowed us to participate in presentation. Pictured – Rotary Member's – Jim, Ray, Ekua & Gabriel and two LVTRise volunteer's. Kneeling is Executive Director Willie Rankin.



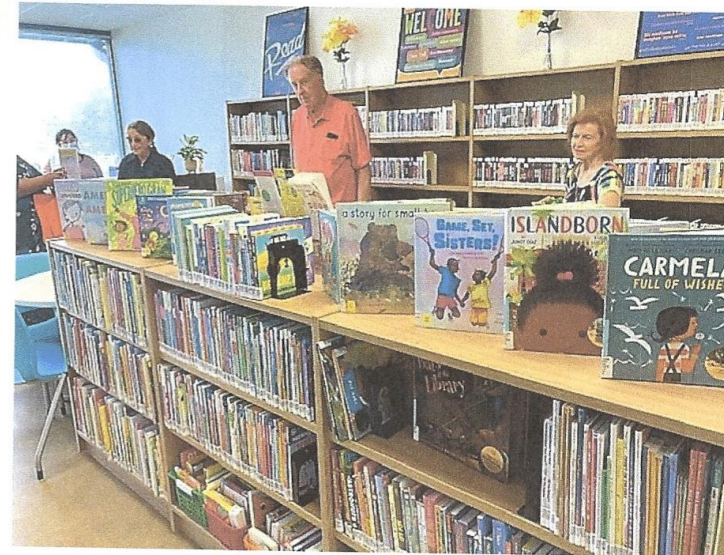
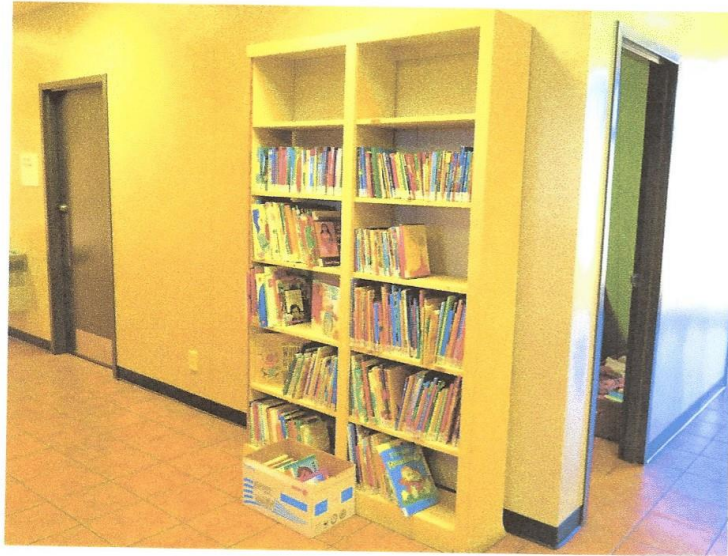
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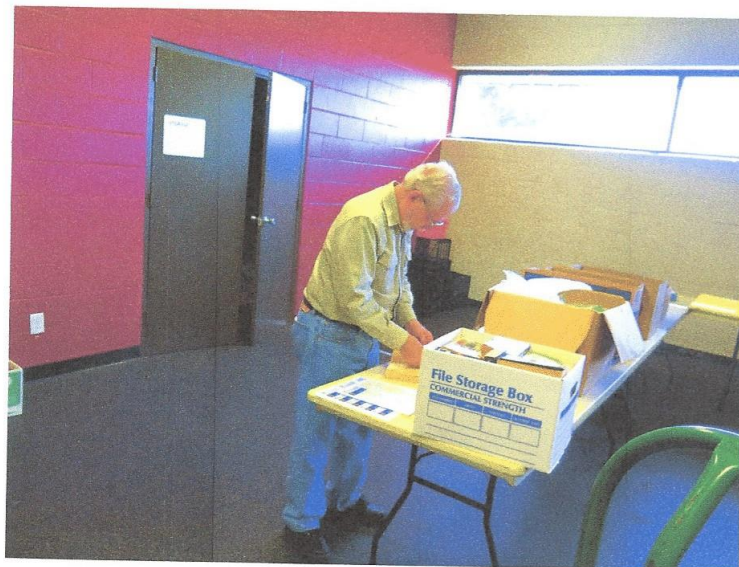
President, Friends of the Library Bunny Gardner and her husband Jon helping place labels on each book.
Willie Rankin, Executive Director—and his face when he opened the envelope with the check!



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James Lewis places labels on books along with Tom Kleuser and volunteer Paige Charbonnet .

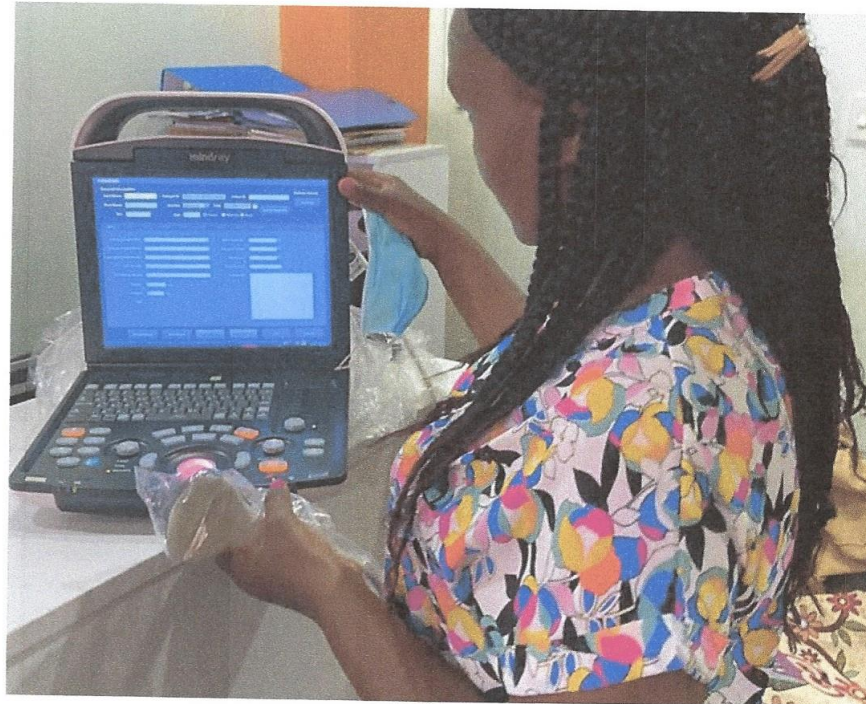


OUR FIRST INTERNATIONAL PROJECT

Our Rotary club joined forces with a Rotary club in Tucson, Arizona to help provide a sonogram and training to a clinic in Kenya. Total grant amount of \$6,000. After the sonogram was installed and training completed – the Kenya Health Department certified the clinic as a medical facility which allowed the families in the area to be able to use health insurance.

During training an expecting mother was ask if she would let them check on her and her baby. When the sonogram results were available she found out she was going to have twins!

This project has changed the lives of so many for years to come!

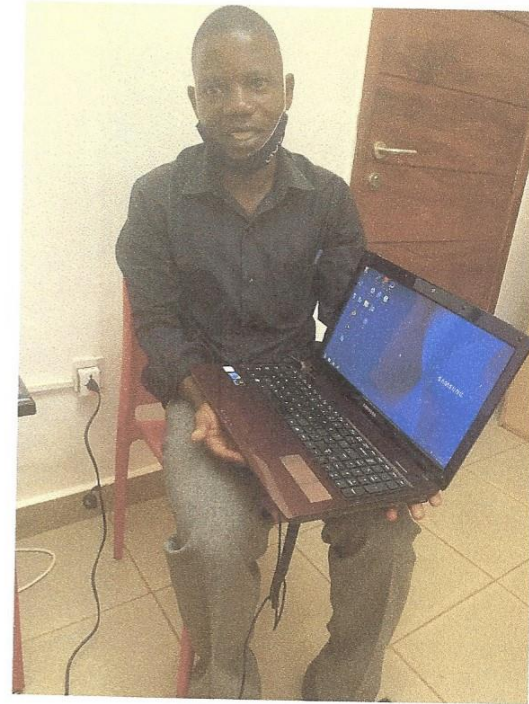
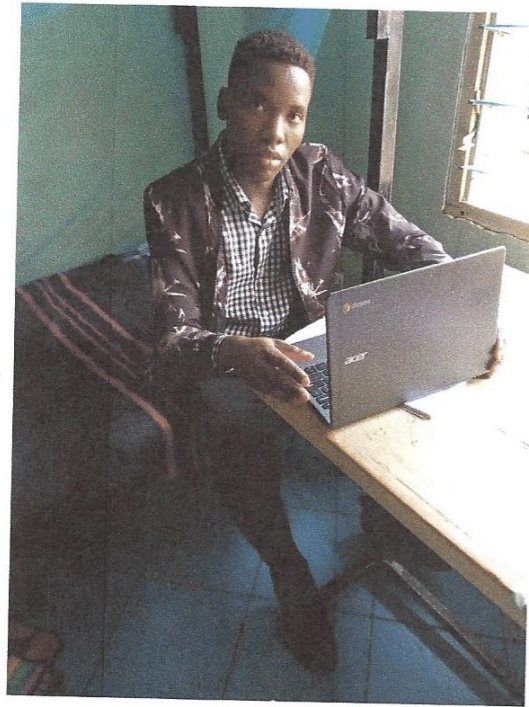


Flag Project

Our Flag Project continues to be a source of funding for many of our projects. Dr Craig Verwers first started this fund raising effort by contracting a Boy Scout Troop. On major holiday's an American Flag is placed at each home that participates in this program. In turn the Boy Scouts receive a funds for each flag to help support their many different projects.



Our second international project(s) included a student from Kenya. Our club provided Joseph, on the left, the means to obtain a lap top along with \$800.00 funding to finish his last year of college. We also sent a used lap top to another student in Ugaunda so he to could finish his degree. Fred Balikudemoe graduated from Kampala Universary.



Catholic Charities is another non-profit organization that we support. Our club provided the funding to purchase the Stay the Course Graduation plaque's. Student's graduated from TCC. Jim Ervin, member, resented our club with one of the students after the graduation ceremony.

