

May 2019

Dear President & Rotarians,

PLEASE HELP YOUR FELLOW ROTARIANS CONTINUE SAVING AND CHANGING CHILDREN'S LIVES

Imagine if your child was ill and you could do nothing to help. What if your child was disfigured and ostracised by the local community? Sadly they are real situations that are often faced by the parents of the children for whom ROMAC organises and provides medical treatment.

A few months ago, we <u>proudly welcomed and successfully treated our 500th patient</u>, and treated our 100th patient from Timor Leste. We believe this is a truly amazing record which has changed lives immensely.

The Rotary year is fast coming to an end and we are pleased to advise that by the time it ends on 30 June, ROMAC will have treated nearly 45 children in this Rotary year. That's one child almost every week!

As Rotarians we are proud we could make a difference to the lives of not only 45 children this year but also to their siblings, their parents and invariably the villages and towns from which they originate. In addition, ROMAC hosted a <u>training program for visiting doctors and nurses which will prove to be an invaluable resource when required in their country of origin.</u>

Unfortunately, our humanitarian work comes at a price; <u>each child we treat costs on average</u> \$25,000. Whilst that's a lot of money I'm sure you'll agree that it's a bargain for saving a child's <u>life.</u>

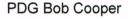
We appreciate you and your Club support many excellent projects but would respectfully request that as the Rotary year comes closer to an end you give consideration to making a donation to ROMAC, a Rotary multi-district programme run exclusively by Rotarian volunteers, just like you, with minimal overheads - no paid staff, no office - that ensures every dollar you donate is maximised towards saving children's lives.

As Rotarians we know Clubs often wait to the last couple of months of the Rotary year to determine the allocation of hard earnt charity funds. We ask you to place ROMAC foremost in your mind as a suitable recipient. It's also comforting to know that whilst we treat children from overseas, the money you donate* is spent in your country supporting our local businesses.

If you would like to have one of our colleagues as a guest speaker at your Club to inform you and show you what we do as an organisation we would be delighted to arrange this. Please feel free to contact PDG Bob Cooper the District 9465 Chair or PDG Brian Eddy, ROMAC Deputy Chair.

Thank you for your time and we wish you a successful conclusion to 2019 and a fantastic 2020 Rotary year.

Yours faithfully,



Tax Deductible Donations

may be made via Electronic Transfer (EFT) to:

ROMAC Australia, BSB: 633 000

Account No: 154 008 676

Reference: Enter Club name/your name

Or alternatively through the ROMAC website at <u>romac.org.au</u> which allows for use of credit cards

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