DISTRICT 9920 Foundation Newsletter No 14 JUNE 2020

Message from our District Foundation Chair PDG Jennie Herring

The Rotary Foundation Addresses Challenging Times Rotary is no exception to the stresses that the COVID-19 public health and economic crises have brought to many businesses and individuals.

We have shown however that we can respond quickly. In the past few months Disaster Response Grants totalling US\$4.25million have been made by The Rotary Foundation to address needs in 172 Rotary Districts in areas as diverse as Central Africa, Italy and Ohio. From personal protective equipment, to ventilators, to foodbanks – Rotarians, through our Foundation, have been helping support communities around the world. When the pandemic hit, global grant submissions rose by a third as Rotarians moved into action.

Apart from our COVID-19 response, projects that Rotarians carry out under global grants have increased significantly. The gradual growth in global grants over the years, however, means that our Foundation expects the demand for global grants to dramatically exceed the capacity of its World Fund which matches funds from our Clubs and District for global grants. An important change is therefore being implemented to global grant funding for 2020-21.

This change will not affect District grants which many of our Clubs apply to the District for each year. Applications for the current round of District grants are still due on 30 June 2020.

Because of the demand for global grants, the Trustees of The Rotary Foundation have decided that World Fund resources will be used to match only District Designated Fund (DDF) contributions – the funds our District controls. This match will remain at 100 percent. The match of 50 percent on cash contributions by Clubs or individuals to global grants will be eliminated, effective 1 July 2020.

As mentioned, there is no change to District grants. Our District will still match Club contributions at a proportion up to 100 percent, depending on the number of applications and whether they are successful.

It is now more important than ever for our Clubs, Rotarians and supporters to give to the Annual Fund of The Rotary Foundation. This is the fund that returns 50 per cent of our Club and individual contributions after three years for use as we in our District determine. Our District uses half of this returned amount for district grants and half of it we use for global grant projects – in the latter case, The Rotary Foundation will still match our District contributions to the Annual Fund are used by the Foundation's World Fund for global grant projects by Rotarians whether in our District or other Districts, including for scholarships, and peace fellowships.

Clubs are also reminded that their giving to the Annual Fund produces recognition credits that Clubs may use for Paul Harris Fellow recognition of Rotarians or community members.

Now we are at Level 1 I hope that we will have a return to life as we knew it – with perhaps a few changes.





RI President Mark Maloney



DG Gary Langford



PDG Jennie Herring

END POLIO NOW

Newsflash!!!

End Polio Ride a Train Friday 23 October 2020?

After last year's successful inaugural event when \$76K was raised by combined Districts 9910 & 9920, we promised with your support to bring together a **Bigger, Better, Bolder** repeat this year. Among some of the improvements are: D9910 will be including ferries so their north shore clubs can more easily participate and your Polio All Trains committee will work harder to get media outlets more engaged.

With the announcement this week that we now have a safe bubble of 5M people in Aotearoa triggering the government's announcement of Alert Level 1, we are hoping Auckland Transport will agree to the event planned for World Polio Day, Friday 23 October. Standby!

Anyone wanting to be involved with our committee please contact PDG Ron Seeto +6427 4593282







FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIPS

To date the Rotary Foundation has funded 350,000 scholarships globally at cost of about US \$7.5 million.

District 9920 has been looking forward to hosting a three Ambassadorial Scholars in this current Rotary year.

Connor Lind

As you are all aware Connor Lind has been attending Auckland University.

During Covid 19 Level 4 lockdown Connor continued his studies online and is still doing so with his exams looming soon. Connor will complete Semester 2, before heading home to Texas at the end of the year. He is an excellent speaker and if clubs wish to :have him to speak to their members he can be contacted on: <u>connorjlind@gmail.com</u> Mobile: 027 752 1633

Rosalynd (Rosie) Boxall has had her application approved. Rosie is sponsored by the Rotary Club of Baldock in the UK (District D1260). Rosie came to NZ as tourist and found out that she can study in Auckland University . So she contacted Rotary Club of Baldock in UK. A total of nine Clubs in UK have contributed towards her Global Grant together with D: 1260. Rosie not only attends her host club weekly meetings (RC Otahuhu) but she also attends the 9 UK sponsoring clubs Zoom meetings as well.

With her Grant now approved Rosie is enrolling in the University of Auckland to study for a research masters degree with Professor Avril Bell in the Department of Sociology, starting in July 2020. The research project would be looking at how tertiary students can help or hinder efforts at peacebuilding and conflict resolution (and other decolonisation efforts) with Indigenous communities in New Zealand.

If you would like Rosie to speak to your club she can be contacted: rosalyndboxall@gmail.com Mobile: 027 288 7281

Kaitlin Sandor from Atlanta (USA) was to be studying for her Masters in Biomedical Science from March 2020 to February 2021 at the University of Auckland. The Rotary Club of Ellerslie-Sunrise will be the host Club for District 9920. Kaitlin is currently enrolled in Auckland University, Semester 2.

Update: Unfortunately, with our borders closed it is uncertain if Kaitlin will be able to commence her studies in Semester 2. She is in midst of formulating a Plan B and we are presently waiting for more clarity of her plans. However we are optimistic that Kaitlin will still be able to travel to NZ sometime in the future.

The Rotary Foundation funds scholarships for undergraduates and graduate study for 1 to 4 years duration.

Conditions apply and for further information please contact Shefali Mehta

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Shefali and her family hosting Connor and Rosie for dinner recently.



DONATIONS & CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE ROTARY FOUNDATION

New Zealand based Clubs

The New Zealand based Rotary Clubs can sent their donation and contribution for Annual Giving and Polio Plus by internet banking or cheque direct to the Rotary Foundation Administrator 9920, stating what the amount is for, donating through the club or charitable trust. Tax receipts are forwarded in August/September.

New Zealand Rotarians

Most if not all clubs have a Charitable trust. The Rotarians should donate through their club's charitable trust, who can issue individual Tax Donation Receipt. The Club's charitable trust can then forward this total amount on to Rotary Foundation Administrator 9920. The Club or Charitable trust should email an Excel sheet with the Rotarian's name, ID number and Amount. This can be allocated under the Rotarian's name and credited with RI to credit Rotarians with the Tax Donation Receipt can claim the lessor of 33% of the donation on your taxable income.

Donations Paul Harris Society (PHS) Members and Sustaining Members. These donations should be paid directly to Rotary Foundation Administrator 9920. Tax receipts are forwarded in April/May

Global Payment System

Individual Rotarians can make a Donation directly to Rotary Foundation through the RI website. Using your access user name and password will help you through it. The Administrator is advised and is credited to your club.

Please Note: Unfortunately the donation through this scheme is not New Zealand Tax deductible.

Internet Banking

Clubs or Individual Rotarians can pay through Internet banking. Bank Account "Rotary Foundation 9920" 02 0256 0333474 00, Reference box "Club name". Please email_ <u>pdmwilcock@gmail.com</u> the amount and the allocation i.e. Annual Giving or Polio and club name.

Payment by Cheque

Please Note: Do not use cheques as it is very difficult to deposit them at the Bank, especially during this pandemic, please use the internet banking, much safer and reliable.

Peter Wilcock Rotary Foundation Administrator District 9920 Mob 027 285 1763

Note. The donations are transferred to RI Parramatta before the15th of the month, any donations after that are at the Rotary exchange rate for the next month. The Rotary year closes for Donations on 31 May.



CLUBS INVOLVED IN GLOBAL GRANTS

As this is the last newsletter for 2019/2020 I thought I would give you an overview of the Global Grants that the District and Clubs have been involved in over the last year, Some of these grants are over a few years but it does give some indication of the Good Work that Clubs in our District are carrying out on a regular basis,

Grants involving District Designated Funds

GG1991584	Rotary 'Give every child a future' Cook Is. Year 1 DDF		
GG2091621	Rotary 'Give every child a future' Niue Year 1 DDF		
GG2091685	Rotary 'Give every child a future' Tokelau Year 1 DDF		
GG2091690	Rotary – 'Give every child a future' Samoa DDF		
G2010060	Taveuni Eye Project 2020 Tavenui and Newmarket		
Draft	Kiribati Toilet Community Toilet Blocks – Tarawa & Otahuhu		
GG2095820	ROMAC - DDF		
GG2098347	IT Social Enterprise Madagascar - Grant 2 – St Johns		
GG1986152	Fiji Oxygen project - Lead Club Remuera		
GG1983978	(E Club) Dialysis machines for hospital in Thailand		
GG1990082	(E Club) Oftalmologia Santa Casa De Santos		
GG2092394	(E Club)Ventilators at Trat Hospital		
GG2098884	(E Club) Enhance Bang Rakam Hospital Infrastructure		
GG2011598	(E Club) Dans le Cadre du COVID - 19		
GG2012999	(E Club) Brazil Covid 19		
GG2012983	(E Club) India Covid 19		
GG2096977	(E Club)Japur Limb Workshop		
GG1755015	Basic Prevention – Health Care & Training – India		
GG1863831	Micro Finance – Auckland & Fiji		

Grants - without DDF Contribution

GG1758116	Eye Hospital - Downtown
GG1526873	Dengue Prevention & Eradication – Suva
GG1745457	Developing Education & Employment Pathways - Nadi
GG1751193	Save Our Sisters – Auckland Harbourside
GG1755015	Basic Prevention – Health Care & Training
GG1983340	Equipment support for new primary care clinic in American Samoa - PagoPago

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