

# ROTARY DISTRICT 5470

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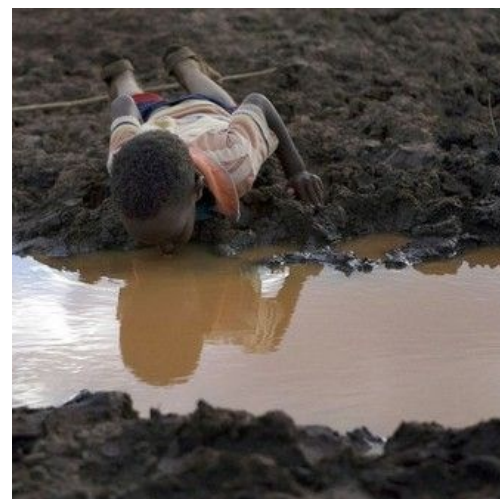
The Rotary District 5470 International Service Committee educates and nurtures Rotarians and clubs working in the six Areas of Focus.

- ◊ It connects clubs
- ◊ It builds relationships
- ◊ It educates, assists, and may help finance clubs' international project development and fulfilment efforts.

It also inspires Rotarians like you who chose to visit international projects and see first-hand how *Rotary Connects the World*

In the previous newsletter we primarily provided information about global grants involving clubs in our district. In this newsletter, we'll show some more of our many global grants as well as upcoming projects

Share your club's international projects and interest with District International Service Chair [Peter Jeschofnig](#) who will share with District clubs.

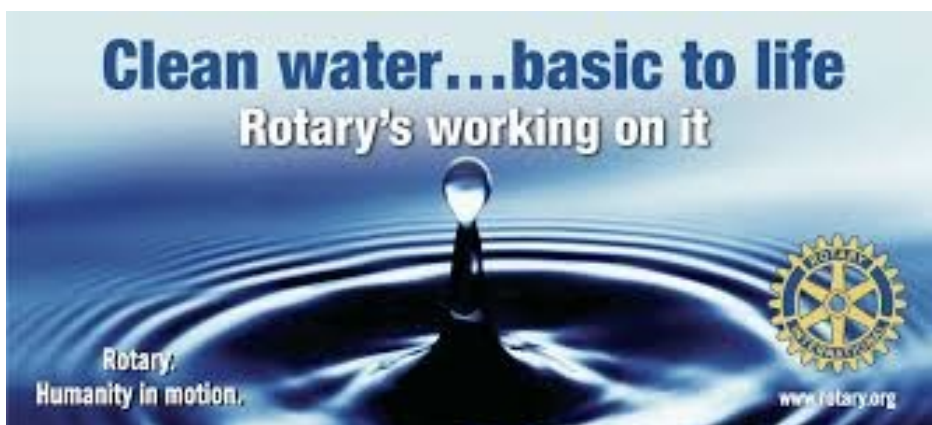


"Alone we can do so little,  
together we can do so much".

Helen Keller

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# The Zimbabwe Fence Project

## By Dr. Rick Smith - Pine River Valley RC

In June of 2017, Pine River Valley Rotary Club members Rick and Becky Smith attended the Rotary International Convention in Toronto, Canada. While there, they had a chance encounter in the House of Friendship which led to an international project that would benefit students in a school in Chipinge, Zimbabwe. Sister Madeline (Maddy), a Carmelite Nun who is also a member of the Rotary Club of Chipinge, was enjoying a musical performance in the House of Friendship when she was greeted by Rick. During a short break, they struck



up a conversation and the two relocated themselves so that Sister Maddy could outline her need for a fence to surround the school property. Sister Maddy serves as the school administrator. As part of the curriculum, students learn how to grow vegetables. A large 1-acre garden provides a hands-on experience with growing the vegetables that will feed the student's families and provide food for the school's lunch program. Unfortunately, the animals of the jungle come at night and forage on the young plants and the vegetables. Often, local villagers will sneak and steal the vegetables, too.

According to Sister Maddy, the fence would not only protect the vegetables, it would protect the children. Rick readily agreed to support Sister Maddy's request for \$10,000 to complete the fence project.

Rick opted to fund the project by going beyond a request to his own club. He sent an e-mail to all the District 5470 Rotary Club presidents asking about their interest and requesting their support of the fence project to the tune of \$500 per club. He attended some club meetings and presented the need, the financial request and his concept of an international District Grant that involved 10 clubs. The participating clubs agreed to support the project: the Pine River Valley Rotary Club, the Rotary Club of Chipinge, the Rotary Club of Aspen, The Rotary Club of Grand Junction, the Rotary Club of Fruita, the Rotary Club of Montrose, the Durango Daybreak Rotary Club, The Durango High Noon Rotary Club, the Durango Evening Rotary Club, the Telluride Rotary Club and the North Colorado Springs Rotary Club. He requested a District Grant for \$5,000 to match the club contributions. Letters of support from the Chipinge Rotary Club president, their District Governor, the District 5470 Governor and the Pine River Valley Club president were obtained and attached to the grant. Once the grant received approval, a check was sent to the PRV Rotary Club.



Rick and Sr. Maddy researched safe and secure methods to transfer the funds from the Pine River Valley Centennial Rotary Club to the Rotary Club of Chipinge. They selected an international banking company, Transfer Wise. Unfortunately, in the midst of this selection process, Zimbabwe experienced a government coup. The new government altered the country's banking policies including the dropping of the American dollar as its security currency. The unstable economic environment had a negative impact on the project's ability to transfer the funds to any banking institution within Zimbabwe's border. International banks and Transfer Wise refused to do business with banks inside Zimbabwe.



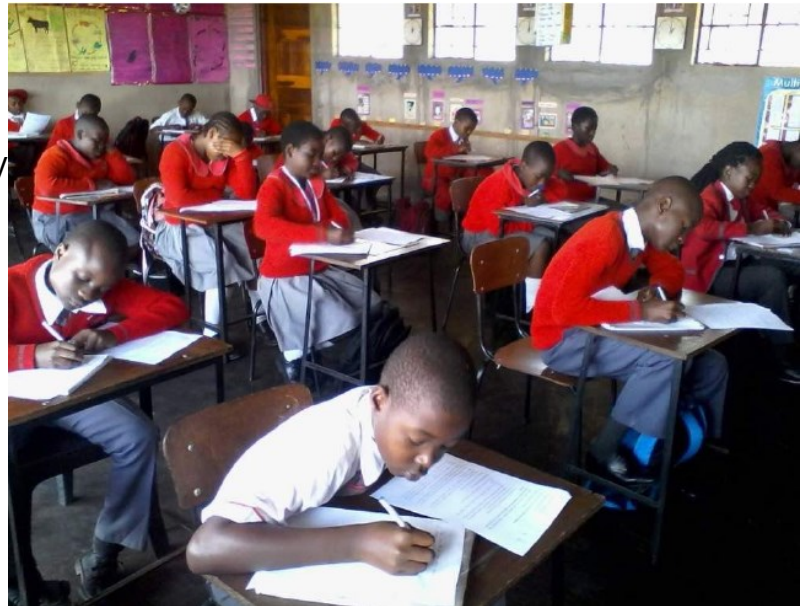
# The Zimbabwe Fence Project (continued)

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Sr. Maddy and Rick were not deterred! They enlisted the guidance from the District Governor of Zimbabwe from District 9210 along with the assigned Assistant Governor. Neither could see a resolution for getting the money transferred into Zimbabwe. The next attempt involved contacting the past District Governor Bruce Steele-Gray of Rotary District 9370 in South Africa and Lesotho. PDG Steele-Gray attended Rotary International convention in Toronto where he met the Smiths. Past District Governor Bruce offered to assist the effort; he enlisted the support of other Rotarians in the banking industry in South Africa and

Zimbabwe. As a result, a resolution was developed that transferred the funds to a Rotary Club account in South Africa. The funds were made available so the school could purchase the materials and secure a contractor to complete the project. Without the Rotary connections forged at a Rotary International convention, this project was in serious jeopardy. Rotary International President Mark Maloney's theme says it best; 'Rotary Connects the World.'





# Coronavirus protective gear donation to Wuhan hospitals via Eddie Cheung, Durango RC

Eddie Cheung is working with the Shanghai RC and the Shanghai GuoFeng Charity Foundation to bring needed protective equipment to Wuhan hospitals.

As you know, Wuhan was the center of origin of the Coronavirus, covid-19.

The first batch of 23,585 pcs of N95 masks cleared custom March 3rd. The masks were repacked & labelled and were on the way to 4 hospitals in Wuhan.

The group was working on the 2nd batch of supplies; protective suits instead of masks, as there is a global shortage of masks. The protective suits were expected to arrive in Shanghai over the March 7-8 weekend, and then in Wuhan in the middle of the following week. We are expecting an update when the shipment has been distributed.

Eddie and his wife Nancy are contributors to this project.

For additional information, contact Eddie Cheung: <[eandncheung@aol.com](mailto:eandncheung@aol.com)>



# Potential Friendship Exchange with Botswana via Amy McBride, Montrose RC

*[Note: Amy McBride is currently serving in her third year as a Peace Corps Volunteer in Botswana. She is a member of the Rotary Club of Montrose, but has been quite active with the Rotary Club of Gaborone (Botswana).]*

The Rotary Club of Gaborone invites you to Botswana as part of a Friendship Exchange planned for 2021. The Club proposes May as the month for Coloradans to visit Botswana, since the weather is neither too hot nor too cold, wildlife viewing is at its best, and Victoria Falls is at its peak. You'll need two weeks (four days of travel and ten days in Botswana) for the trip.

The Club proposes August 2021 to come to District 5470, since they want to partake in hiking, jeeping, camping, flyfishing, mushroom foraging, and all the other great things to do in Colorado in August (and people from Botswana aren't keen on cold temperatures).

Here are ten reasons why you should visit Botswana:

It has the world's largest population of elephants.

*Over 500 species of birds have been recorded in Botswana.*

*You can easily see the "Big Five"—Cape buffalo, lions, leopards, rhinos, and elephants.*

It's the newly-declared "evolutionary birthplace of humankind."

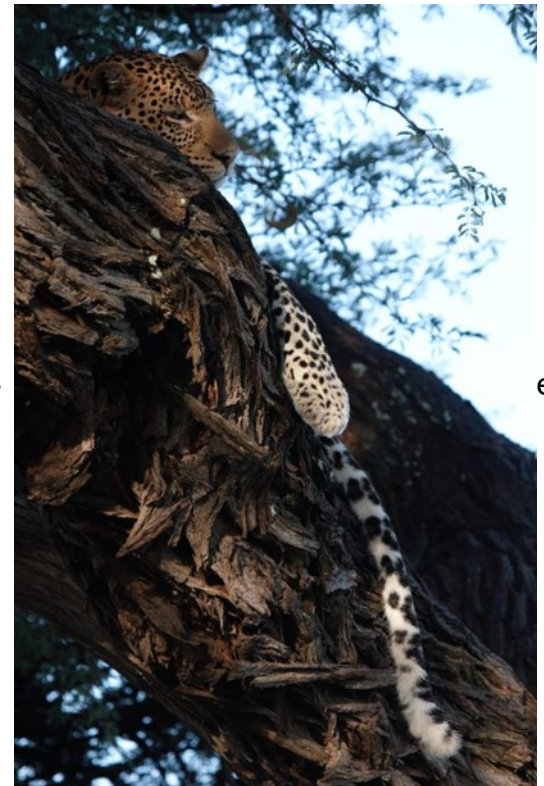
Animals roam freely in the nearly half of Botswana that is protected through national parks, reserves, and management areas.

Victoria Falls, the world's largest waterfall (by surface area) is next door!

*The climate is mild...with highs in the 70s and lows around 50 in May.*

There are no vaccination requirements, and Botswana is one of the safest countries for travel in Africa. [Do note that malaria prophylaxis is recommended.]

The people! Extremely friendly! And fun!



*Photo by Aidan McBride*

The proposed itinerary has you flying to Gaborone (the capital city) and recovering for a day (with dinner, drinks, and a bird's eye view of the city atop Botswana's tallest building). Then it's off to Khama Rhino Sanctuary where you'll sleep under a baobab tree and go on a game drive to see wildebeest, zebras, kudu, and rhinos (of course).

Then you'll head to the Makgadikgadi Pans, one of the world's largest salt flats, to enjoy its incredible tranquility and flamingoes. You'll have two nights in Kasane, on the edge of Chobe National Park which is home to the highest concentration of elephants in Botswana. You will enjoy a morning game drive and hopefully see leopards and lions and amazing birds, like the Kori bustard (Botswana's national bird and Africa's largest flying bird). In the afternoon, you'll cruise down the Chobe River and see bathing hippos and elephants, crocodiles and Cape buffalo.



# Potential Friendship Exchange with Botswana (continued) via Amy McBride, Montrose RC

Victoria Falls is next. You'll take a ferry across the Zambezi River and then stay in Livingstone, Zambia (named for the famed explorer and there's an excellent museum about him). You'll spend a day at the Mosi-o-a-Tunya National Parks (there's one in Zimbabwe and one in Zambia), taking in the glory of the Falls. If you'd like, you can bungee jump off the Victoria Falls Bridge, take a helicopter flight, or raft the Zambezi.



Then it's back to Gaborone, with a stop in Francistown, Botswana's second largest city and a 19<sup>th</sup>-century gold rush town. From Gaborone, you can either fly home, or book a side trip to Cape Town, South Africa to partake in its amazing beauty, wine, food, and penguins!

At this point, the Rotary Club of Gaborone is gauging interest to see if there are twelve people from District 5470 who want to join the Exchange. If you are interested, please let me know by sending an email to [amylopermcbride@gmail.com](mailto:amylopermcbride@gmail.com) or a WhatsApp message to +267 717 200 71.

# 2021 Rotary Peace Fellowship Application

## The Rotary Foundation

The 2021 Rotary Peace Fellowship application is now available (<https://www.rotary.org/en/our-programs/peace-fellowships>) , and we need your help finding the next cohort of global peace and development leaders.

As a Rotarian, you play a critical role in promoting the Rotary Peace Centers programs to potential candidates. These resources can help you and others recruit candidates for 2021 Rotary Peace Fellowships:

Candidates have until 31 May to submit applications to their districts. Districts have until 1 July to submit endorsed applications to The Rotary Foundation. Remember, your district can endorse an unlimited number of qualified candidates at no cost.

We're also proud to announce a new Rotary Peace Center at Makerere University in Kampala, Uganda — our first peace center in Africa — as well as exciting changes to the professional development certificate program. Learn more about the certificate program and our new peace center.

Send any questions about the fellowship program to Kate Davis, District Scholarship Chair <katerotary1@gmail.com> or [rotarypeacecenters@rotary.org](mailto:rotarypeacecenters@rotary.org). Thank you for your dedication to the Rotary Peace Centers and your help educating Rotary members and your community about the fellowships



# Sofia Bader, Durango RYE student in Argentina

## Via Sofia's Adventure Abroad Blog

My name is Sofia Bader, and this is my junior year abroad in Argentina.

February 10th marked exactly the halfway point of my exchange, and yesterday I had to confirm my return date to the US as July 20th, finally making it real that I'm going to have to leave. Sitting here, I really can not believe how fast the time has passed. It feels like I closed my eyes and then suddenly woke up with half of my exchange gone; but at the same time when I think about my life in Colorado, without all the people I now consider family here, it feels like a lifetime ago. The first few weeks here were so difficult. I vividly remember driving to Rauch from the Buenos Aires airport with my new parents past all the farmland and tiny little towns just wondering what the hell I had gotten myself into. Sitting in my classroom with 20 kids all shouting at the same time, and not understanding any of it, not knowing how to do the simplest things, suddenly having to be so dependent on everyone around me.

But since the moment I got here I have fallen in love with Argentina. I love the culture here, how almost every Sunday my whole host family gets together to eat lunch, and then stay talking and listening to cumbia until late into the evening. I love how almost every single day of my summer break my friends and I have either gone to someone's pool, or to the plaza, or to someone's house to drink mate. How when anyone comes into a store or business, every single person says hello to them and then goodbye when they leave. It feels so rewarding to finally get my independence back, when every little thing I accomplish alone feels like a victory. I love how affectionate and welcoming my classmates are, not only coming to my house to welcome me my first day, but inviting me out with them every single time after that. I love the fact that I am finally at the point with my Spanish where I can just talk with my friends, not having to try too hard to express myself, that now in a room with 20 people shouting at once I hear actual words instead of just noise. The friends that I have made here in the last five months are the best of my life, actual friendships, not just made out of need; and thinking about having to leave them in another five months makes me want to cry. I feel so incredibly lucky to have ended up in this special place, and to have had this once in a lifetime opportunity. I'm so excited for this second part of my exchange, and I want to take advantage of every minute I have here.





# You're Invited! June 27, 2020 - Debre Brehan, Ethiopia Via Becky Kiser— East Colorado Springs RC

**What:** A university graduation ceremony that could never have taken place without the Royal Adventure, a program of Trampled Rose, Inc., in collaboration with the Rotary Club of East Colorado Springs.

Can you imagine living with almost no hope for the future? Your life was difficult enough as it was. Every day was the same. You woke up early to start the walk to the forest to gather wood, some to sell and the rest to burn to cook a meager breakfast for your family consisting of the grains you were able to gather from your family's small plot. The wood weighs more than you.

Next is gathering water from the village well. You grab the plastic yellow five-gallon jug and walk the mile to meet other boys and girls doing the same. The only way you can get the heavy load on your back is with the help of others just as you help them. Finally, it's time to go to school. The walk is over an hour each way but it's worth the effort. You know you are smart, you believe that education is the answer for change; you are just so tired and hungry.



One night as you go to sleep on a mat with your sisters, you hear your brothers fighting with your mother and father, it sounds worse and worse as you drift off. Suddenly, someone has thrown a white blanket over your head; you hear your sister screaming as you are both taken off and thrown on the back of a small horse. Your screaming means nothing, and you suddenly realize that today is your wedding day.

The next morning and the next and the next are a nightmare come true. Your brothers were arguing with your parents trying to get them to understand that times have changed and that your life could be successful without early marriage, but with a finished education instead. You don't know where you are, no one is recognizable in your new village. Until one day you understand your sister was also married off in the same village. Do you two have the courage to escape?

One black night after your husband was sleeping you sneak out the door of your mud and straw home knowing the beating will be severe if you are caught. You see a shadow in the distance, yes, it is your sister! You both run until you can't run any more and then you run again the next day. Finally, you make it to a small village in the mountains where you hear about a high school where some foreigners called Rotarians are helping girls stay in school. Is it possible that you could be accepted?

It's your first year to be back in school, your sister was accepted too. You are safe and hidden. One day, school is canceled because there is an event called The Royal Adventure. On this day you hear from a group of foreigners that:

**You are valuable. Your dreams matter. The key to happiness is serving other people.**

Can it be true? Your new friends leave you with a final training about a four-way test. They promise that if you follow it in all you think or do, your success will grow.

Jump through the years of consistent encouragement, routine reminders about your value, your four-way test tucked into your pocket, and now it's almost your graduation day. It's beyond imagination that through your hard work and the love of others you are ready to graduate with a business degree from Debre Brehan University completing the full scholarship you earned. Your sister is only a year behind you. Aren't you grateful there are Rotarians in District 5470 who didn't forget you?

**\*This is the true story of Genet Bedane.** Thank you for believing in Service Above Self. Special thank you to the Rotary Club of East Colorado Springs, The Rotary Club of Colorado Springs, The Rampart Range Rotary Club

# Potential Echograph GG Project in Uruguay

## Via D-4975 Montevideo, Uruguay

D-4975 (Uruguay) needs support to purchase an Echograph, an ultrasound machine which is urgently needed in the Maternity Department of our country's largest Assistance Center named "Pereira Rossel". It assists almost 50% of mothers of the country and their babies. These women have little or scarce resources.

In turn, gynecologists, as well as students graduated from Public and Private Schools of Medicine, carry out their internships in this place.

This ultrasound will give us the possibility of having a state-of-the-art Prenatal diagnostic unit with great fidelity, since it has a 4D vision, which gives us almost 100% security in the diagnoses. We can treat multiple pregnancies, see if the fetus comes with any deficiency; either of malformation, as a possible tumor disease. This would broaden the spectrum of the best care for the patient (mother) and her child. We can see in real time, within the womb of his mother, the state of health of that little being with total clarity, which at this time the equipments we have do not allow us to do it. Besides, this will also let have best and more experienced doctors which will result in a better and safer attention to the Mother and her son or daughter.

VOLUSION E 10 Echograph – Brand: General Electric.

Its value is US \$ 109,580. -

We have US \$ 16,000. - of DDF. The Global Fund would support us with an identical amount. So we will get US \$ 32,000.-

We need support from some Districts to get the balance (US \$ 77,580.-) although we know we only need to get US\$ 38,790 as Global Found will provide us with another equal amount.

Juan José Padilla Scanagatta  
Chairman of the D-4975 Foundation  
Committee

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# Village of Hope, Papua New Guinea

## Via Nancy Kerr, Telluride RC

**Background:** The Papua New Guinea Tribal Foundation and the Telluride Rotary Club have had a wonderful and beneficial relationship for the past five (5) years, all for the people of Papua New Guinea. The support has centered around provision of medical supplies for clinics and health centres in dire need, and then more recently to assist in the building of a Village of Hope and refuge for women accused of sorcery accusation-based violence. The location of the Kassan Village of Hope is in the highlands area of Papua New Guinea, in the province of Jiwaka.

**The "Why":** Over the past five (5) years, the incidences of "sorcery accusation-based violence" (SABV) in Papua New Guinea, have been increasing at alarming rates. In some provinces, these acts of violence have occurred as frequently as seven (7) times per week. The victims are almost always vulnerable women. They are tortured and if they survive, they and their children are shunned from their communities. The Tribal Foundation is at the forefront of combatting this horrid form of gender-based violence. The Village of Hope is the first of its kind in Papua New Guinea and will allow the women and their children to have a safe home, medical attention, education and the ability to heal. Additionally, Tribal Foundation's *Senisim Pasin*, anti-gender based violence and anti-SABV campaign will be implemented in the communities around the Village of Hopes in order to promote peace building and encourage conflict prevention. This project is in line with Rotary's impactful causes across the world in Rotary's focus areas of peace building and conflict prevention, maternal and child health, and supporting education.

**Current Status:** The Village of Hope is well on its way for projected completion by the end of 2020. The funding by the Telluride Rotary Club resulted in the building of the first of what will ultimately be eight (8) cottages for the women and their children. In addition to the remaining seven (7) cottages, there will also be cook houses, bathrooms, and gardens built. Further, a school building and building intended as a clinic will be refurbished.



Tribal President Gt Bustin with Pastor Hanson, Director of Partnerships Ruth Kissam, and local builder Gary



View from the front door of the cottage at Village of Hope



Visiting humanitarian families painting cottage rooms

Our club donated financially to this project, and are considering the possibility of applying for a district grant. The project needs 7 more little houses, a shower and toilet facility, and to help in the support of a counselor/administrator.

For additional info, contact Nancy Kerr  
<nancylkerr@gmail.com>

# Potential Project in Embu, Kenya via David Nuttle, Dolores RC

Dolores Rotary may join with Needful Provisions, Inc (NPI), Embu Rotary Club, Embu Rotaract Club, and The University of Embu, Embu, Kenya in a \$10 million food security project for impoverished and nutrient deficient Kenyan tribal villagers. This funding is pending from USDA Foreign Ag Service (FAS), with funds to be confirmed in the near future. This effort is focused on the construction & start of 70 all-season village cooperative greenhouses with added support from Pfeifer Guard-All, NovaShield, Hays Engineering, Real Goods, and Kohilo Wind;

With support from all the above groups, and foundation funds, Civic Action Training Center is being planned for a location near Embu, Kenya.

This center, costing \$3 million, will train friendly African police & military forces in so-called civic action assistance efforts to help gain rapport with, and support from, tribal villagers under attack by Islamic jihadist terrorists such as al-Shabaab operating out of Somalia. Civic action will be in the form of village assistance projects such as road and irrigation canal work, hand-drilling of new water wells, creation of biochar kilns to make a soil additive to increase natural soil fertility, construction of family & community composting toilets, repairs to structures, and so on. Items needed to fully support such efforts are such things as solar-zeolite refrigerator-freezers to safely store medications, baby formula, and perishable foods. Each of these items will make a good Rotary Club project, and Dolores Rotary may consider support for at least one such item.





# Tele-dermatology system in the Trifinio region, Guatemala

## By Richard Dangler, Edwards RC

The Mission of Rotary International is to enable Rotarians to advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace through the improvement of health, the support of education, and the alleviation of poverty. The Edwards Rotary Club, with Vail, Aspen and Durango, is sponsoring a dermatology project using a telemedicine platform to transfer images between a rural healthcare center in Guatemala and the Anschutz Medical Center in Denver Colorado. This activity clearly meets the Rotary Mission

This project was initiated by the Trifinio Center for Human Development (TCHD) requesting financial and training assistance to set up and help them operate a tele-dermatology system in the Trifinio region of Guatemala. Since inception of the Trifinio Center in 2012, it has received financial support from AgroAmerica, a private family-owned Guatemalan local agro-business enterprise.



To provide healthcare services to this remote area, TCHD developed a partnership with the Center for Global Health (CGH) at the Colorado University School of Public Health for a partner that that would provide volunteers to assist with local healthcare. The TCHD now has requested assistance with training and other medical support, especially in the preparation of remote analytical care of skin disease. This combination of partners brings together volunteers from the Colorado CGH and Guatemalan clinical staff to promote community sustainable healthcare to villagers in an extremely poor, rural region of southwest Guatemala (Trifinio region). Moreover, as covered in a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), the Center will strive to seek continual financial support from local private donors to assure long term sustainability.

The Trifinio Clinic for Human Development established in 2012 and has proven its viability over the years. They now consider it necessary to expand their service to include dermatology services. Skin diseases are ranked 5th in prevalence in a 2017 Guatemala medical study. The initial services of this Center focused on the first four most common diseases: communicable diseases, neurological, respiratory and digestive conditions. The center was able to handle these types of diseases without the need of costly equipment or requiring full time specialty medical attention. However, the next most prevalent medical issue in the Trifinio area relates to skin diseases that needs special expertise to diagnose, treat and cure the numerous dermatology problems. Obviously TCH can not afford to have a dermatologist on staff.

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To address the skin diseases, this project will concentrate on patient and community education, the establishment of dermatology consultation services and improve healthcare training in general terms. Dermatology services will include dermatitis, infections, skin cancer, and many other skin ailments as delineated in the project proposal for the Global Grant (GG2094034) recently approved by TRF. The community that will be served is comprised of about 30,000 rural individuals. The partnership with the Colorado SPH, a non-profit organization, will provide consultation for teledermatology through team training visits each year and to provide assistance through an internet tele-dermatology platform.

Given that the Center was working with volunteers from the University of Colorado school of medicine and, therefore, the Director of the Center was aware that telemedicine could provide a solution to treat and reduce this prevalent disease. With guidance from the University of Colorado medical staff they suggested that the Director of TCHD, Dr. Bolanos, contact a Rotary club to provide the dermatology platform. The CU doctor rousing assisting the Center advised Dr. Bolanos to install a telemedicine platform to transfer images to the Anschutz medical Center in Denver, then its staff of dermatologists would volunteer to analyze and suggest treatments for patients with skin diseases. It also was suggested that he contact the local nearby Rotary club, Coatepeque-Colomba to seek help. That was done and with the help of the CU doctor they contacted the Edwards Rotary Club who had experience in development of a telemedicine projects in Kosovo.

What is most impressive about this project is that this TeleDermatology Rotary project can bring together badly needed services to individuals living in sparsely populated areas, thousand miles apart from modern medical establishments normally not available to rural areas, especially specialized medical care. Using the internet to transfer images makes it, it practical and financially viable to bring the hospital to the patient, rather than taking a patient to a far-off medical facility. In some cases, using video conferencing, it is possible for the doctor and patient to meet as if they are in the same room. This telemedicine action will result in improved dermatology capacity to the Center's patients and eventually provide telemedicine to support and developed capacity in the future for other medical practices.

Lastly as in all projects, training is key to assuring smooth operations and sustainably. To achieve this goal, this project includes a detailed training program. Included is a detailed data collection component using a cloud-based medical application that automatically collects and analyzes operations to provide guidance in continuing improvements in operations. Training will be geared to the use and operations of imagery scanning, storage, transmission and filing. There is only limited equipment needed to conduct his service, primarily a camera and internet connections for transmission of files. The imagery operation is a service that can be accomplished by local medical staff for transmission and storage in its own file system. Outreach to the community will be by flyers, word of mouth and some advisory presentations at community meetings will be undertaken to provide community members with the general operations of the program and make them aware the public of this service what will be available at the TCHD.



# THE CADRE OF TECHNICAL ADVISERS CAN INCREASE YOUR PROJECT'S IMPACT

## Via The Rotary Foundation

A Rotary club in India wanted expert help. So it asked Dr. Indumati Gopinathan, a member of The Rotary Foundation Cadre of Technical Advisers, for advice on its global grant application. The club was requesting funds to purchase a \$275,000 brachytherapy unit, used to kill cancer cells and shrink tumors, for a small hospital with a cancer center in rural India. The community assessment was well done and the project promised clear benefits. But Gopinathan knew that the high attrition rate among nuclear medicine physicians and the remote location of the hospital would make it difficult for the club to ensure a continuous supply of experts to operate and supervise the unit.



Gopinathan, a pathologist and medical instructor, used her contacts to survey the region and connect the club with a large hospital only a four-hour drive away. The hospital is affiliated with a university that offers a three-year, accredited postgraduate program in nuclear medicine, and the university agreed to have students from the program do their postgraduate rotations at the cancer center to manage the new brachytherapy unit. Rotary creates lasting change in our communities and around the world when grant projects are sustainable, measurable, and built on the foundation of a strong community assessment.

Gopinathan, a member of the Rotary Club of Bombay Chembur West, Maharashtra, India, has visited 15 projects as part of the Cadre. She recalls a grant application to get funding for a mobile mammography unit to screen for breast cancer in hard-to-reach rural communities. The district's application didn't identify a host club, and Gopinathan was concerned about who would follow through with the project.

She used her contacts to talk to the partner hospital's administrator and radiology department and secured a written agreement that the hospital would develop a training program and dedicate staff members to operating the mammography van. The district governor and incoming leaders committed in writing to enlist clubs to participate in the project and keep cancer screenings a top priority during their terms.

The Cadre of Technical Advisers consists of 700 experts like Gopinathan in more than 70 countries who are eager to help clubs and districts plan stronger projects that make a greater impact.

### **Cadre members can use their knowledge and expertise to help you:**

- Conduct community assessments

- Integrate elements of sustainability into a project

- Develop plans to monitor and evaluate the project

- Answer questions specific to the grant application requirements for an area of focus

### **DID YOU KNOW?**

You can search for Cadre members by district, country, language, and area of focus expertise in the reports section of My Rotary. Learn how to use the Cadre Member Information report to find Cadre members who can help your club.

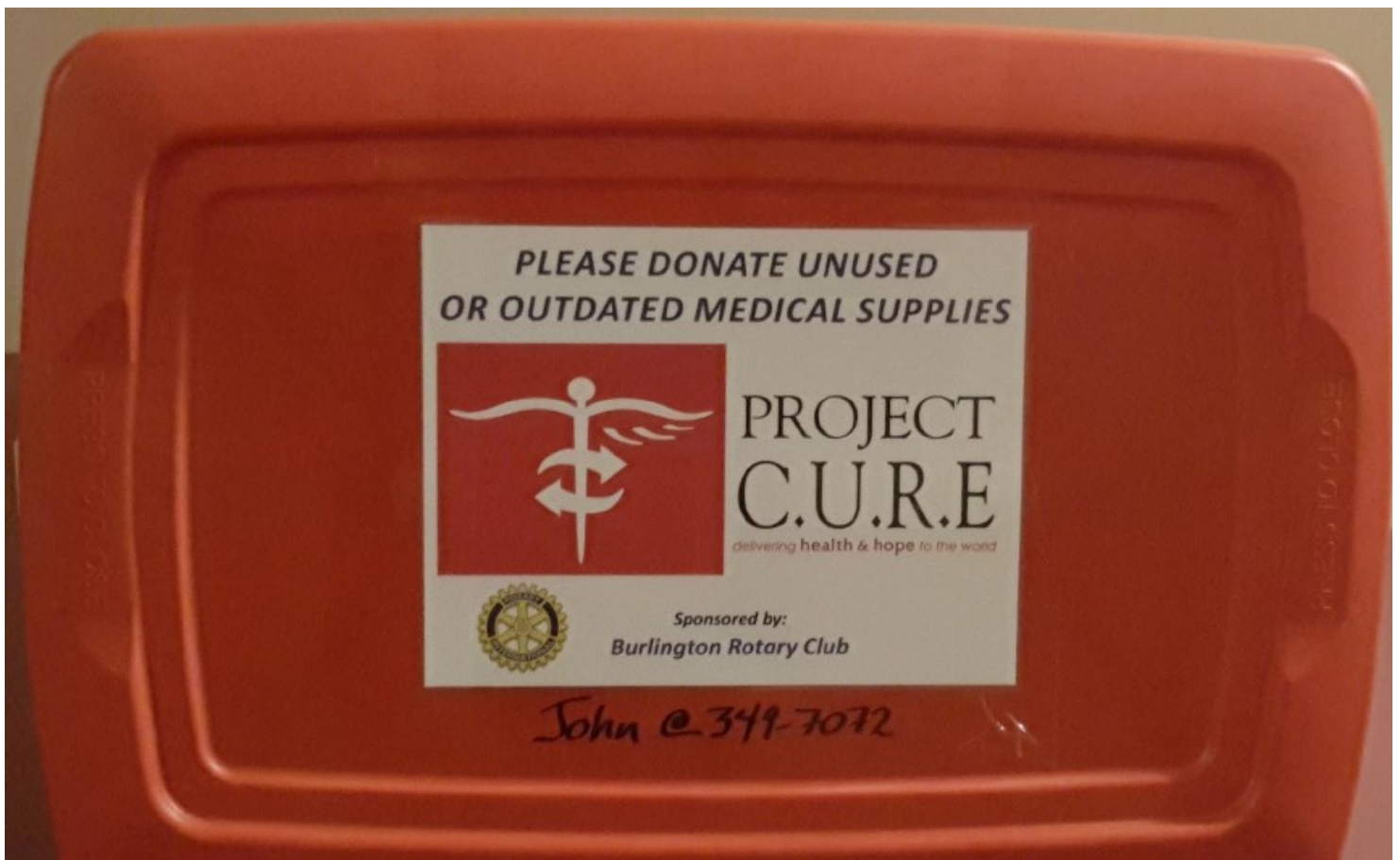
Write to [cadre@rotary.org](mailto:cadre@rotary.org) for more information.

# Project C.U.R.E. Via Burlington RC

The Burlington Rotary Club is now promoting Project C.U.R.E. in our community. Project C.U.R.E. is the world's largest nonprofit organization donating medical supplies and equipment to hospitals, clinics and community health centers in the developing world. Headquartered in Centennial, Colorado they are dedicated to improving, healthcare infrastructure in resource-limited communities where basic supplies and modern equipment are unaffordable or unavailable.

In 2015/16 they delivered 139 cargo containers carrying more than \$57.3 million worth of medical goods to 53 countries!

Our club is proud to be a part of this endeavour. When you visit your health care provider look for the red tubs that we have set out. If you have any questions or would like to donate medical supplies, please contact our chairperson, John Buol at 719-349-7072.





## Global Grants Projects Involving Our clubs

Many of our clubs are the International Partners of Global Grants (GG) Projects around the world.

Our clubs also contribute to projects conducted by other districts.

Whether your club is the international partner in a project or is simply contributing to a project, remember that D-5470 is usually prepared to match your club's contributions from District Designated Funds (DDF).

To request D-5470 DDF, you need to complete a simple request form and send it to the D-5470 Global Grants Chair, David Smith <dsmith7@unl.edu>

## Contact Us

Do you want to have your International Service project displayed in a future newsletter? Send the story and a few photos to [pjeschofnig@gmail.com](mailto:pjeschofnig@gmail.com)



Water & Sanitation Projects Around the World

### Global Grants Basics:

- Large, long-term projects
- Sustainable, measureable outcomes
- Alignment with Areas of Focus
- Real community needs (via needs assessment)
- International partnerships (frequent communication)
- Implementation plan
- Proper Stewardship of funds
- Involve Rotary clubs in two districts
- Minimum TRF match \$ 15,000
- Minimum budget of US\$35,000

For detailed instructions on Global Grants applications check out David Smith's **GUIDE TO GLOBAL GRANTS:**  
<http://www.rotary5470.org/SitePage/global-grants>

If you would like to be the international partner of a Global Grant or simply contribute to an existing D-5470 Global Grant contact the Global Grants Committee chair, David Smith [dsmith7@unl.edu](mailto:dsmith7@unl.edu) or Peter Jeschofnig [pjeschofnig@gmail.com](mailto:pjeschofnig@gmail.com)