

WEEK 25 FOUNDATION MINUTE – A TIME TO REFLECT

The end of any year, and the beginning of a new one is about more than transferring appointments and meetings into the new calendar. For many, it's time to take a moment to think about the accomplishments of the last 12 months, and a reset of priorities for the future. This is especially true this year, as our lives and activities have been upended by the CoVid pandemic.

Many of us will have developed new skills, and increased resiliency this year – learning new skills and becoming proficient in on-line communication techniques. For some, the reduction in external contact and public activity has left more money in the bank account available for donations – for others, the reverse is true, family members and fellow residents suffer from job loss, possibly illness, and diminished employment opportunities.

Perhaps its time to do a community needs assessment of our nearby community and assess the challenges of the people who live or work there. Can we safely help put food into car trunks, or help out in other CoVid-safe ways, donating clothing, or food, or in other ways? We give of our time, our talent, and sometimes our treasure – but most of all, we give of our heart. When we turn the page to 2021, will we be ready to make positive change in our communities through Rotary service?