

## WEEK 9 FOUNDATION MINUTE – LITERACY MONTH

September is Literacy Month – Basic Education and Literacy is one of Rotary’s Six Areas of Focus

1.7 million additional teachers are needed worldwide to meet the goal of universal primary education; 781 million people over the age of 15, (60% of them women), are illiterate; 57 million children worldwide are not in school.

Our Rotary Foundation funds grants and scholarships to support education for all ages – from pre-school children, to vocational training, to programs for life-long learners. Rotarians provide teaching training, computer equipment and training and classroom supplies. Adult literacy programs and projects to prevent student absences also qualify for funding.

What can your club do to help?