

# DART

District 7080  
Aboriginal  
Resource Team



# AGENDA

- DART vision and mission
- DART plans for 2015-16
- Can DART help your club?
- Ongoing Aboriginal projects
- HIP Honouring Indigenous People
- Take action and reach out

# DART Vision

To foster dialogue and relationships between indigenous communities and clubs in Rotary International District 7080.

# DART Mission

To act as a resource group to clubs in Rotary International District 7080 who:

- i. Wish to enlarge their knowledge about indigenous traditions, culture and protocol; and
- ii. Seek the opportunity to collaborate with indigenous groups.

# DART Plans for 2015-16

- Provide information about Aboriginal issues, events and projects to 7080 clubs
  - DART website
  - DART quarterly updates
  - Club visits
  - DART meetings & information sessions

# DART Plans for 2015-16

- Develop resources
  - Aboriginal speakers list
  - Connections to Aboriginal resource groups
  - 7080 Aboriginal projects database
  - Presentations

# Can DART help your Club?

- Does your Club want to learn more about Canadian indigenous traditions, culture and protocol?
- Is your Club thinking about creating an Aboriginal committee?
- Is your Club looking for an opportunity to support an Aboriginal project?

# RC Bolton Kingfisher Lake FN – Bed Project

- Delivery of 50 bunk beds & mattresses, clothing and other dry goods to Kingfisher Lake First Nation, 2700 km north of Toronto, near Pickle Lake
- Planned delivery March 2016
- \$12,500 for beds and mattresses, other goods are donated



# RC Bolton Kingfisher Lake FN – Bed Project

- \$7,500 for shipping costs
- Can your club help?
  - Cash donations – mail cheques to RC Bolton; any size donation is appreciated
  - Dry good donations – contact Ron Kyle
  - Loan of tandem tractor – will reduce shipping costs by \$3,000; contact Ron Kyle



# RC Bolton Kingfisher Lake FN – Bed Project

To-date \$5,000 has been raised.

Rotary Club of Bolton  
P.O. Box 405  
Bolton, Ontario L7E 5T3

Project Contact: Ron Kyle  
[Ron\\_kyle@hotmail.com](mailto:Ron_kyle@hotmail.com)



# RC Guelph – Better Hearing in Education for Northern Youth

- Installation of Sound Field Wireless Systems in K-5 classrooms at Pond Inlet school in Qikiqtani [Baffin Island]
- Deafness and diminished hearing are rampant in the North; studies have shown that up to 67% of Inuit children have some degree of hearing loss

# RC Guelph – Better Hearing in Education for Northern Youth

- In infants, hearing loss delays motor and language development; in school, undiagnosed hearing loss can be mistaken for learning disorders or attention deficit
- Enhancing the sound environment in class will improve students' attention span, participation & comprehension

# RC Guelph – Better Hearing in Education for Northern Youth

- Educational outcomes pre- and post-installation will be studied to measure improvement
- If the pilot is successful, systems will be installed in more schools
- Cost of phase one is \$90,000

# RC Guelph – Better Hearing in Education for Northern Youth

- \$35,000 has been raised to-date
- Can your club help?

Project Contact: Joanne McAuley  
[joannemcauley43@gmail.com](mailto:joannemcauley43@gmail.com)



# RC Oakville Trafalgar – University of Sudbury First Nations Scholarship Program

- Scholarship goes to 2<sup>nd</sup>-year University of Sudbury First Nation students
- \$7,500 per year for 3 years
- For first year, the University has partnered with two indigenous education centres, where students complete their first-year program

# RC Oakville Trafalgar – University of Sudbury First Nations Scholarship Program

- \$7,500 covers the gap between government funding available to status Indian candidates and the cost to students of attending the University of Sudbury



# RC Oakville Trafalgar – University of Sudbury First Nations Scholarship Program

## How can Rotary help?

- Raise funds to allow more indigenous students to participate in the Scholarship
- Work with UofS to provide mentoring for students while they are in university
- Help with networking and resources for employment search after graduation



# RC Oakville Trafalgar – University of Sudbury First Nations Scholarship Program

- Can your club help?

Project Contact: Bill Kerr  
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# RC Burlington North – OneXOne First Nations School Breakfast Program

- OneXOne First Nations School Breakfast Program supports over 4,500 children from 30 communities across Canada
- In 2014-15, over 700,000 balanced breakfasts were provided
- Programs are managed at the local level



# RC Burlington North – OneXOne First Nations School Breakfast Program

- RCBN is supporting the program for the Keewaytinook Internet High School
- KIHS is a program that allows Aboriginal students to complete their high school education remotely while staying in their home and community

# RC Burlington North – OneXOne First Nations School Breakfast Program

- Classrooms are located in Fort William, Keewaywin, Mishkeegogamang, Nibinamik, North Spirit Lake and Poplar Hill, all in northern Ontario
- This year RCBN's goal is to bring ten 7080 clubs on board with a \$500 donation, for a total of \$5,000



# RC Burlington North – OneXOne First Nations School Breakfast Program

- Can your club help?

Project Contact: Craig MacPherson  
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# HIP Honouring Indigenous People

## Mission

- Support education of indigenous people in all its forms
- Promote understanding and awareness of the culture, history and issues of indigenous people to Rotarians and others

# HIP Honouring Indigenous People

- HIP adheres to the core values of the Rotary Four-Way Test and the Seven Anishinaabek Grandfather Teachings
  - Truth, humility, honesty, wisdom, respect, courage and love
- Educational project opportunities are listed on HIP website [www.rotaryhip.org](http://www.rotaryhip.org)





# HIP Honouring Indigenous People

- Pen Pals' G.R.A.N.D. Project - Grand River Arts: Neighbourhood Dialogue
- College Prep & Life Skills - Akwesasne Child & Family Services, Mohawk Council of Akwesasne and Akwesasne Area Management Board
- Neskatinga Playground Equipment

# HIP Honouring Indigenous People

- Wawahte Documentary of Indian Residential Schools "Telling the Story"
- Pelican Falls First Nations High School, Sioux Lookout – new school van

# HIP Honouring Indigenous People

Can your club help?

Check the HIP website  
([www.rotaryhip.com/Contact](http://www.rotaryhip.com/Contact) &  
[Donations/Approved Projects](http://www.rotaryhip.com/Donations/Approved%20Projects)) to see full  
project descriptions and project contacts.



# TAKE ACTION

- Read the Truth & Reconciliation reports—they are posted on the DART website
- Support an Aboriginal project championed by a 7080 club or by HIP
- Check out the DART website – learn about Aboriginal events, projects, news & resource groups
- Attend one of the DART information sessions
- Talk to clubs who are executing an Aboriginal project
- Invite DART to present at a club meeting

# DART WEBSITE

From the District website home page, display the drop-down menu for District Committees, then click on DART.



# REACH OUT

## URL for DART Website

<http://portal.clubrunner.ca/50042/Page/ShowSitePage?ClassCode=SitePage&Slug=dart>

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HIP – [www.rotaryhip.com](http://www.rotaryhip.com)



# THANK-YOU!

Questions?