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DISTRICT 7890 FOUNDATION RECOGNITION BRUNCH
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Rotary
District 7890
Club Grant
Projects
from
2024-2025

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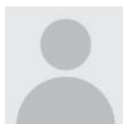
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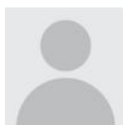
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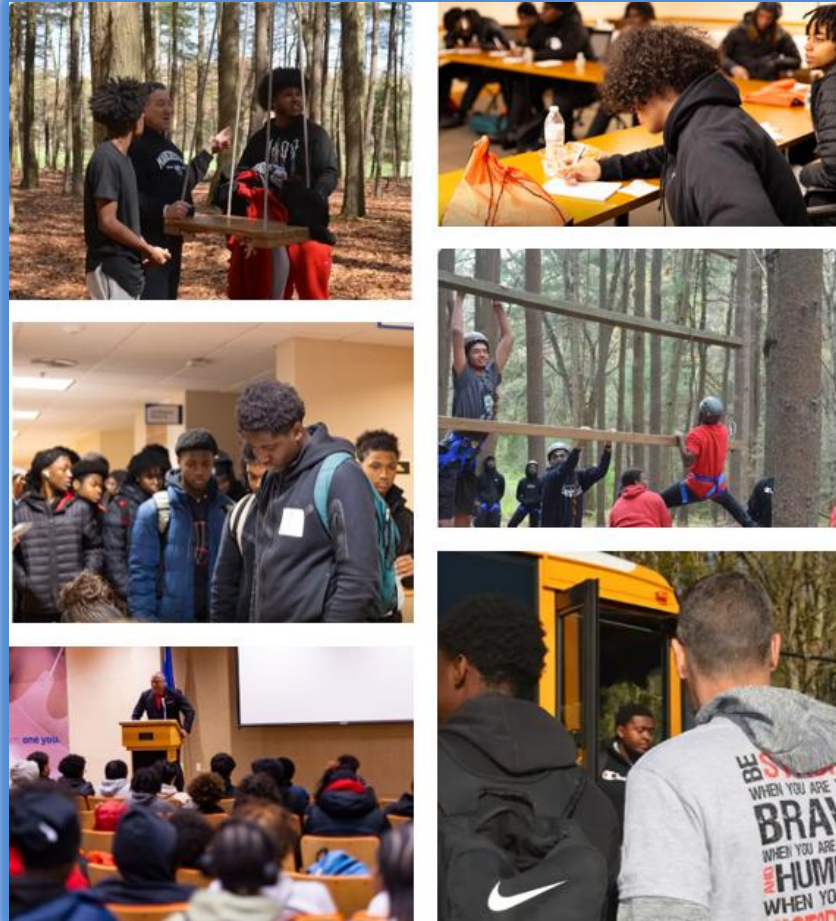
District 7890 Club Projects



*The **East Hartford Rotary Club*** distributed 445 dictionaries (1 for each EH 3rd grader) and 445 thesauruses (1 for each EH 5th grader) to increase literacy resources at home. Club members will place book plates (stickers) inserted in books with Four Way Test to educate students on values of Rotary.



*The **Williamstown Rotary Club** purchased and installed an upright Freezer for local food pantry and created a food inventory tracking system. With the increased need for available food due to decreased federal support, accuracy of inventory and on-going system to track food is paramount. The Club members were active inventorying supplies and organizing the tracking system.*



*The **Manchester Rotary Club** partnered with multiple organizations, to hold a two-day conference for Manchester POC youth. The conference taught life and leadership skills, including career exploration, financial literacy, self-identity and social advocacy. The Club members assisted in planning and implementing the conference, were speakers at the conference, and part of student participant selection committee.*



***Wilbraham-Hampden Rotary Club** partnered with regional Community Survival Center, to assist low-income families who need nutritious food and feminine hygiene products through a food and feminine hygiene collection project. Club members purchased and delivered items multiple times to Center based upon Center needs and promoted messaging around project.*



*The **West Springfield Rotary Club** combined forces with the Friends of the Senior Center to assist with renovation of Senior Center space with flooring, lighting and furniture replacement. The room is a central gathering place for seniors that needed improvements including removal of old furniture, delivery and placement of new, and floor replacement.*



*The **West Hartford Rotary** addressed the decline in federal food support by purchasing food and stocking the West Hartford Town Food Pantry to assist it meet the increasing numbers of families in need who are seeking food support.*



The **East Longmeadow Rotary Club** hosted a Human Trafficking educational event in partnership with Underground NE to increase understanding of negative impact of human trafficking locally. The Club presented information about Human Trafficking and Prevention at the Rotary Action Workshop providing statistics and resource information. In addition, survivor backpacks were donated to the Baystate Family Advocacy Center and RFK Communities. Lastly, school supplies were donated to the Rebecca Johnson School for Visual and Performing Arts to support children in need.

<https://youtu.be/RQQSYDGGQx08?si=qzDzoUJOWBDOVacM>



*To increase literacy skills for New Britain youth, the **New Britain-Berlin Rotary Club** purchased 900 reading books and distributed them to 3rd grade during United Way Read for Record. Rotarians and Interactors inserted Rotary stickers in books and read in 3rd grade classrooms during the Read event in October 2024.*



*Aligning with the Dalton city recreational plan, the **Dalton Rotary Club** installed five benches at Pine Grove Park/Main Street to support resident use of the park, particularly those with physical challenges who need seating in park and along Main Street. Dalton Club members sited, levelled and anchored benches.*



*The **Thomaston Rotary Club** supported the installation of three seat ADA accessible table for 1 to 3 seats in support of the Seth Thomas Park revitalization project. It will be part of the long-term restoration and revitalization of the park in the economically depressed area of downtown.*

Club members joined the team to help clear the land, install fixtures, and perform other labor-saving functions.



*The **Avon-Canton Rotary Club** partnered with Shoprite Grocery Shop in Canton to supply food items to both Avon and Canton Food Banks aiding in the fight against food insecurity.*



*The **Agawam Rotary Club** purchased three benches for Tuckahoe Park as part of a larger park beautification project. The overall purpose is to increase park usage, resident fitness, and improve park resources for residents.*

Rotarians assisted with clean-up and other park improvements.



The Windsor-Windsor Locks Club worked with Project Outreach and in partnership with the Suffield Rotary Club, Interact and other organizations to assemble and distribute 25,000 meals to food pantries. The Club addressed the increasing need for food donations to local pantries and other points of distribution.



*The **Putnam Rotary Club** partnered with a local school and supported the installation of musical elements to create a playground as part of a larger project. The musical elements target children who may not be physically abled. Club members worked with School playground planning partners to choose location of elements and help with installation.*



*The **Wethersfield-Rocky Hill Rotary Club** collaborated with Our Piece of the Pie on an overall agency safety project. Lack of AED machines negatively impacts emergency safety in their building. The Club funded the purchase of an AED for the organization after meeting with the Safety committee regarding the need.*



*In an on-going partnership with local Senior Center, the **Enfield Rotary Club** constructed raised garden beds to existing community garden at Senior Center to make garden handicapped accessible. Club members use Senior Center facilities and have focused on the garden during recent Day of Service.*



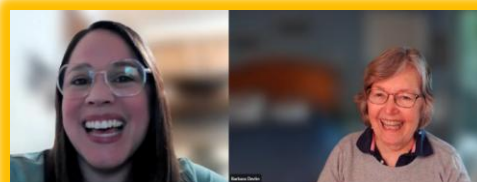
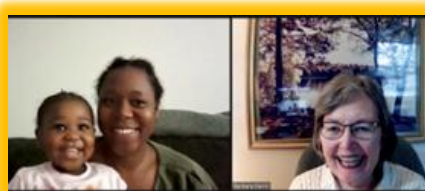
To improve youth and child safety at the local Boys and Girls Club, **Ludlow Club** Members replaced and installed wall safety mats in the Boys and Girls Club gym. Club members removed the 20-year-old old worn mats, cleaned the space, and installed new mats.



The **New Milford Club** assisted with the installation of outdoor chess table/chairs on the town property to enable community members to play chess or checkers. The project focused on increasing interest in chess, and individuals playing. Club members work with the city to identify the location, installation and advertisement of the outdoor chess station.



*Serving six local communities, the **Salisbury Rotary Club** purchased school outfits and supplies for regional students in need. Third year of initiative, Club noted the need and stepped in when local United Way could not continue project. Members purchased supplies, filled and distributed backpacks for the first day of school.*



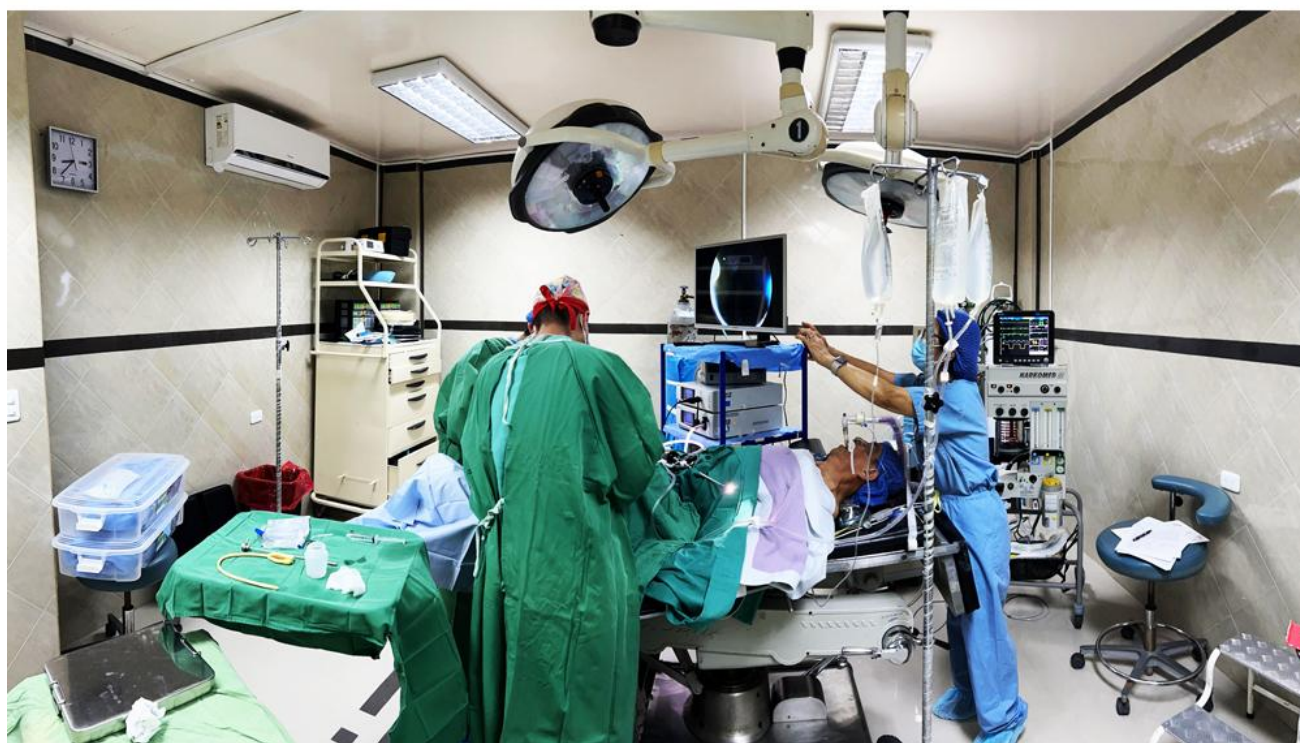
*The **Northampton Rotary Club** coordinated an English language tutor training project with Institute partner will increase number of volunteers available to teach English to non-English speaking residents. The project provided an 8-month tutor training to club members and interested members of the public. Tutors were matched with interested English language learners and worked with them weekly for minimum of 4 months.*



***Terryville Rotary Club** worked in alignment with the town's beautification priorities, to replace the Welcome Sign in town to promote town pride. The Club members acted as liaisons with local government re planning. Club members promoted the project through social media and may assist with installation.*

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GAUTEMALA- WASH PROJECT



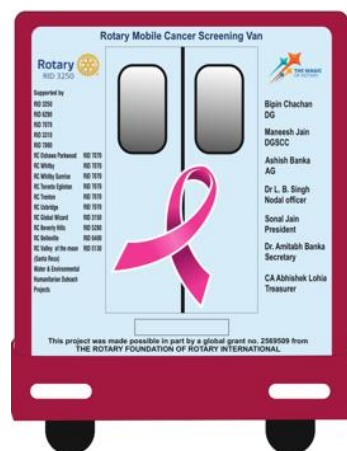
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INDIA- MOBILE CANCER SCREENING



MOBILE CANCER SCREENING

Rotary Club of Patna Millenium and Manavir Cancer Sansthan



With the growing menace of the Big C, treatment cost of cancer is crippling the economically lower middle class and poor classes of society. Early detection of cancer is the key to tackle this dreaded disease. Due to paucity of specialized Cancer hospitals and Cancer detection facilities, the Rotary Club of Pataliputra, has planned to set up a mobile Cancer detection Van and conduct Cancer screening camps in the hinterland of Bihar, outskirts of Patna. This van will be equipped with X Ray Machines, an Analog Mammography machine, CR System's for cancer detection, Urine and Haematology Analyser and other allied equipment and staffed with technicians. Mahavir Cancer Institute and Research Centre (MCIRC) is a Charitable specialized Cancer hospital, managed by Mahavir Mandir Trust. All patients testing positive during such screening camps shall be referred to MCIRC for further treatment. MCIRC has agreed to treat patients below 18 years free of cost and above 18 years at 50% subsidized costs.

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SHIMOGA- LITERACY PROJECT



Rotary
Club Shimoga Midtown
District 3182 | Zone 10

**THE HOPE
WORLD**
CREATE HOPE
in the WORLD

**Interact Club Installation Ceremony &
District Project : Value Based Education**

FRIDAY, 18TH AUGUST 2023 | 9:30AM - 1:30PM

VENUE : ROTARY MIDTOWN CLUB HALL



Interact 

*Interact Club
installation
of 7 schools*

*Vocational
Visit to Rotary
Blood Bank*

District Project : Value Based Education

Speaker : Dr. S.V. Shastry,
Retired Principal, Bharathiya Vidhya Bhavan Post
Graduation College.

Topic : Social responsibility for younger generation
& how to develop a wholesome personality

Nikozi Dental Clinic Rotary Club of Kampala 7 Hills & West Hartford CT



PDG FRANK WARGO MEMORIAL GLOBAL GRANT PROJECT – KOLHAPUR INDIA

Many of our Rotarians do not know that PDG Frank Wargo was instrumental in establishing Rotary Leadership Institutes in many districts in India. He has traveled to India over a dozen times and met with many Rotarians to accomplish this for the Rotary organization. With the friendships he had established during these visits he has also helped to build two eye clinics in India through Global Grants.

Rotary club of Kolhapur (D5750 in India) has partnered with the Rotary Club of New Milford to bring up the teaching standards in par with the latest techniques and to prepare the 1000 plus students at the PATNAGAR HIGH SCHOOL, to compete in the highly competitive higher educational institutions, for acceptance.

Funding for the project was provided by Rotary Club of New Milford, Rotary Club of Kolhapur, Rotary District 5750 and the Rotary Foundation. The project is in progress for completion by year end.



SCHOOL ENTRANCE - WELCOME



DAILY MEDITATION



INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION



CLASS GROUP PHOTO



PHYSICS LAB



1.2 MILLION

WE CONNECT PEOPLE

More than 1.2 million members worldwide

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\$2.9 BILLION

WE WILL END POLIO

Rotary has contributed more than \$2.9 billion to protect over 3 billion children from polio

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\$291 MILLION

WE FUND SUSTAINABLE PROJECTS

\$291 million awarded for global service initiatives in 2023-24

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MAKING A DIFFERENCE WITH ROTARY GRANTS

Rotary members around the world have access to different kinds of grants from The Rotary Foundation to support service projects, offer scholarships, and organize other activities that make a difference in their own communities and far away. Explore four grant options that can help turn your vision into reality.



MORE INFORMATION:
rotary.org/grants

	DISTRICT GRANTS	GLOBAL GRANTS	DISASTER RESPONSE GRANTS	PROGRAMS OF SCALE GRANTS
How do we use these?	These can address community needs in alignment with the Foundation's mission.	These support larger, international projects that align with an area of focus. They can also support scholarships and vocational training teams.	These support relief and recovery efforts in communities affected by natural disasters. They can be used to provide basic items like water, food, medicine, and clothing.	These competitive grants allow Rotary members to work with experienced partners and expand proven activities that align with an area of focus to make a significant impact.
What's the time frame?	These are for short-term activities that have a limited scope.	Use these for longer-term, sustainable projects that address needs identified in a community assessment.	Your district works with local entities on relief or recovery activities within six months of a disaster.	These evidence-based, sustainable, and measurable programs are implemented over three to five years.
Do we need a partner?	No, but it's often a good idea to work with other local organizations.	You need to work with another club or district, either as the host sponsor or international sponsor.	No, but your district should collaborate with local organizations to meet critical needs.	You need to work with implementing and investment partners outside Rotary and should also collaborate with other Rotary entities.
Who can apply?	A district, which can distribute funds to clubs	Clubs and districts	A district	A club or district
Do we need to be qualified to apply for grants?	Your district needs to be qualified.	Both sponsors need to be qualified.	Your district needs to be qualified.	The club or district leading the program needs to be qualified.
What funding is available?	Your district can seek up to 50% of its District Designated Funds allocated for that year.	Global grants have a minimum project budget of US\$30,000. You can ask for up to US\$400,000 from the World Fund.	Districts can get up to US\$25,000 if the Disaster Response Fund has funds available.	One US\$2 million grant may be awarded each year. Sponsors need to secure US\$500,000 from one or more investment partners outside Rotary.
How and when do we apply?	Your district applies by 15 May of the Rotary year for which you're requesting funds. Your club applies to the district.	Clubs and districts can apply throughout the year.	Your district applies within six months of the disaster.	Your club or district submits a concept note by 1 August. Select programs are invited to develop a full proposal that is due in January of the following year.

2024-2025 Rotary Foundation Recognitions

<i>The 100% Foundation Giving Banner</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chicopee RC • Simsbury-Granby RC • West Hartford RC • Wethersfield-Rocky Hill RC
<i>The 100% Every Rotarian, Every Year Club Banner</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Simsbury-Granby RC • West Hartford RC • Wethersfield-Rocky Hill RC
<i>The Top Three Per Capita in Annual Fund Giving Banners</i>	<p>#1 in the District - West Hartford RC</p> <p>#2 in the District - Wethersfield-Rocky Hill RC</p> <p>#3 in the District - Avon – Canton RC</p>
<i>The Polio Plus Certificates are awarded to clubs that annually contribute \$1,500 or more to Rotary's PolioPlus Fund</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • East Hartford RC • Great Barrington RC • Simsbury-Granby RC • Southington RC • Torrington-Winsted RC • West Hartford RC
<i>Individual Foundation Recognitions</i>	
<i>Major Donors</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Scott Nardozi, Avon-Canton RC Level 1 • Geoffrey Naab, Manchester RC Level 1 • Phil Ferrari, Avon - Canton RC Level 2
<i>Bequest Society (estate planning for a minimum of \$10,000 to TRF)</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Margaret Wilcox Glastonbury RC Level 2 • DG April Beston and John Beston Ludlow RC Level 3
<i>The Paul Harris Society (\$1,000 annual donation to TRF)</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • David Hall Pittsfield RC • Margaret Wilcox Glastonbury RC
<i>Club Excellence Awards</i>	
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