



Health Care should be Universal



RAWCS Northern Region Donations in Kind Newsletter

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Every Child Deserves a Good Education

Important Notice

*It has been brought to our attention that a number of Rotary Clubs and Rotarians are of the belief that the Donations in Kind Store at 23 Mary Street, Kingston is closed. **This is not true.** The store remains open as usual with volunteers being welcomed on Thursday mornings for the sorting and packing of donations and general duties within the store and the monthly roster of Rotary Clubs for one Saturday morning per month to pack containers continues.*

Contact for Donations in Kind Northern Region are: PDG George Grant of District 9600 Mobile: 0408 011 145 and PP John Paskin of District 9630 Mobile: 0400 032 131

Donations in Kind Northern Region now has it's own dedicated Mobile Phone and Email Address;
Mobile: 0466 556 042 Email: dik.rawcsnorthern@gmail.com

There has been a great deal of activity on site, particularly on the roster days when volunteers from Rotary Clubs were in attendance to assist with the packing of containers.

On 9th March, there was in excess of 60 Volunteers representing 14 Rotary Clubs giving their support to Donations in Kind Northern Region. A 40' container destined for Port Moresby was packed with school furniture and books. This container is now on the way to Port Moresby. The Rotary club of Cleveland made a start on their container for Lae and Bren Milson and his crew from District 9640 put the finishing touches to their container for Dili in Timor Leste. Volunteers not needed for the packing of the containers helped with the sorting and packing of books in the store.

The next roster day on the 6th April saw 35 volunteers in attendance from 7 different Rotary Clubs. A 20' container for Manus Island was packed. This is a project of Wantaim PNG, a community group on Manus, supported by Lynne Shori, a Rotarian of the Rotary Club Manly in Sydney. Donations in Kind is giving support with the arrangement of the logistics of getting the container to Manus Island. Progress was made on the packing of another two containers on the day, one by the Rotary Club of Mooloolaba for the Western Province of the Solomon Islands and the other by a group of Rotary Clubs of District 9600 destined for Mougulu in the Western Province of PNG



YOUR SUPPORT IS NEEDED!

Management and Governance

In accordance with the policies of Rotary Australia World Community Service and for the future viability of Donations in Kind Northern Region, it is imperative that we establish a committee structure for the management of Donations in Kind. There are certain tasks and responsibilities that have to be addressed to ensure the success of Donations in Kind and we are seeking volunteers who are prepared to serve on the committee and accept responsibility for some of these tasks. Anyone interested in assisting should contact either PDG George Grant or PP John Paskin.

Thursday Volunteers

There is a need for fresh and younger volunteers to attend Donations in Kind on Thursday mornings to assist with general warehouse duties and the sorting and packing of donations ready for dispatch to the areas of need in the developing countries. No need to contact anyone, just turn up at 23 Mary Street, Kingston between 8.00am and 12 noon and you will be made very welcome.

Funding

As always, Donations in Kind Northern Region is in desperate need of funds to cover the operational cost of running the store and the cost associated with the shipping of the containers of donations to the areas of need. **Please give favourable consideration to Donations in Kind when dispersing the Club's funds at the end of this Rotary year.** Donations can be made online through the following link:

<https://donations.rawcs.com.au/Default.aspx?ProjectID=789&ReturnTo=4>

Forklift Drivers and First Aid Officers

Donations in Kind Northern Region requires additional forklift drivers and First Aid Officers. Anyone interested in acquiring their licence in either of these areas and is prepared to be a regular volunteer at Donations in Kind should contact either PDG George Grant or PP John Paskin. Donations in Kind is prepared to cover the cost associated with acquiring these licences.



**FIRST INTAKE OF CHILDREN
IN FRONT OF THE CLASSROOM**



**TEACHER TEACHING WHILE
CHILDREN
LISTENING AND WORKING**



**FIRST BUSH MATERIAL CLASS
ROOM**

Call for Assistance

The following email was received seeking the assistance of Donations in Kind

"Hi!

I am a Principal of a newly founded Early Childhood Preschool in a local community of Bainyik village, Maprik District of East Sepik Province in Papua New Guinea.

Sir, I have heard from another near by school (Burui Primary School in Wosera/Gawi District) about the wonderful assistance they have received from your organisation some time ago. I am very excited and interested to know more about the organisation and want to know how can I go about in applying for your assistance to assist my new school for my future human resource of my community.

Please sir, find attached are some photos of our simple newly established preschool. This is our humble beginnings.

Thank you so much.
John Mala"

When a community is prepared to put in the hard work to achieve something for their Community, then I believe that we have an obligation to assist when requested. Is there a Rotary Club prepared to adopt this as a project and provide the assistance through Donations in Kind



**MOTHERS CARRYING SAND FOR
A NEW SCHOOL OFFICE**



**FATHERS OF CHILDREN DIGGING
PIT FOR A NEW SCHOOL TOILET**



**FATHERS PUTTING UP SAGO
STALKS FOR CHILDRENS DIS-**

Support for Our Own Indigenous Communities

Donations in Kind Northern Region has helped in the past by giving assistance with the packing and dispatching of a couple of containers to indigenous communities in the Alice Springs area. Another container is being planned for Mutitjulu and Donations in Kind has again agreed to help. The following wish list has been received:

Mop, Brooms indoor/outdoor, Buckets, Bleach, Dishwash liquid, Bathroom cleaner, Domestos, Cob web Brooms, Clean mattresses, Hand Sanitizers, Face washers and Soaps.

The community is going through a big clean up which is great to see

Contact Donations in Kind if you are able to assist with any of the above wish list



Help!!

We have an obligation to our Landlord to keep the grounds of the Donations in Kind premises in a neat and tidy condition.

Is there a Rotary Club prepared to come in on a regular basis to maintain the grounds