

**Rotary District 5000**  
*Awards Submissions Checklist for 2015-2016*



Rotary Club of: [REDACTED] \_\_\_\_\_

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Award Category: **Community Service**

Check each item completed this year (2015-16):

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List your 3 best Community Service Projects for this year, starting with the most important:

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| 1. | <u>Food Pantry</u>                            | Club members participating: <u>30</u> %        |
| 2. | <u>Staying alive - CPR/AED training</u>       | Club members participating: <u>40</u> %        |
| 3. | <u>Dictionary and books - 3000 given away</u> | Club <b>members</b> participating: <u>35</u> % |

Total number of Community Service projects accomplished this year is 23 \_\_\_\_\_.

Please provide a narrative description of your three best Community Service projects listed above and any detail supporting the checked items listed above. Using the attached form, limit your response to ONE 8½"x11" page. (No letterhead, pictures, or graphics and print in Times New Roman 12pt size).

A narrative follows:  Yes  No

Submission Deadline: April 30, 2016

Please insert narrative below.

Community Service **Year for the club:**

This was the 'community year' for our club - 20+ separate community initiatives - nearly 100 actual physical events - it was a watershed achievement.

We matured our weekly food pantry in Kilauea. It has now served nearly 20,000 family members and is recognised as one of the best ones on the Island.

We began a program called Staying alive - CPR and AED training - for all of our members, not already trained or certified. It has been an **amazing success**

Our Dictionary and Book distribution delivered almost 3,000 books to schools and overflowed in to the community. 5 different deliveries of books

We pick up trash on the highway each month - 15 members on average.

We began the process of adding 911 location capability to the rescue tube stands; sent more funds to the rescue tubes foundation and contributed to the Growing our own teacher initiative and to the Hanalei Pier canopy.

Many of us spend time in the local school classrooms each week as sort of volunteer teachers. It is an amazing personal experience.

We ran events in support of Vanuatu relief; Rotoplast; Shelterbox for Fiji; we hosted the Kyoto club (11 rotarians of them) in Princeville for three days; we ran the Mexico water project;

We assisted at the Canoe club annual swim (15 members); the Hanalei Sand castle event (18 members) event; We parked cars for a local hula event; helped Habitat for humanities with pick-ups; we worked on the Lions Weinberg event; we ran a clothes swap for Polio plus; and we adopted 40 children at XMAS with gifts. We support our YMCA volleyball team who we sent to the YMCA Olympic games. We also judge final year projects at the local high school.

We sold five cases of Polio plus mugs (the most) and continue selling our own cook books.

We gave scholarships to HYRF; Hale Halawai Scholarships and the Waialeale scholarships at KCC. We also have a Teacher of the year award.

We helped run the RYLA Youth Leadership camp up at Kokee and attended the Interac conference for young Rotarians.

Our International work and the friendship agreement with the Kyoto club broadened our horizons.

We work closely with the other clubs on the Island on their projects and events.

On a rough count we did almost 7,000 hours of community work in the year on these projects.

As President, I set a tough community plan for the year - but am delighted with what we have achieved. There is nothing better than being stopped in the local supermarket to be thanked for what we do in the community. I am proud of what we have achieved at all levels of the club, but especially at the community level.



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Thanksgiving Brunch)
- Involved a Rotaract Club in one of your community service projects (Project date or name \_\_\_\_\_  
Matson Ka Ipu Aina Clean Up)
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List your 3 best Community Service Projects for this year, starting with the most important:

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| 1. | <u>Malama Honua Garden Project</u> | Club members participating: <u>40</u> % |
| 2. | <u>Homeless Hygiene Collection</u> | Club members participating: <u>38</u> % |
| 3. | <u>Matson Ka Ipu Aina Clean Up</u> | Club members participating: <u>35</u> % |

Total number of Community Service projects accomplished this year is 32 \_\_\_\_\_.

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Please insert narrative below.

Our club's theme for Community Service this year was tied in with the Polyneisan Voyaging Society's theme of Malama Honua. To care for our planet, our island, our oceans, our communities, each other and ourselves. We partnered with the Hawaii Island Home for Recovery on various projects that would benefit their residents and facilities and we also branched out to cover our Hilo community. Our first project of the year with the Hawaii Island Home for Recovery, was to help them build a garden. This project was listed on Rotary Club Central and it started with clearing an area that was overgrown with weeds and building two garden beds with donated materials from local businesses. Our volunteers consisted of Rotarians from Hilo, Hilo Bay and South Hilo as well as non Rotarian guest and some excited residents of the facility. The residents also followed up with the planting of different plants and vegetables and with the care and maintenance of their new garden area. We were also able to get the assistance of the local Telecom company and their trucks to help with trimming trees around the building to provide more sunshine for the garden project as well as preventing rodents from easily accessing the building through broken screens and windows.

We also helped the South Hilo club build an interior garden and joined in with the interior fence painting project. Our members have done more interior and exterior painting, provided a Thanksgiving brunch and also provided hygiene items for every resident. Funds from the Rotary Foundation, district designated funds, were used to help with the repairs of the fire alarm building system facilities at the home and to purchase a laptop computer to help with the Computer Assisted Literacy Center at the Hilo Library.

Our own Hilo Rotary Club Foundation donated funds to help purchase books for the Naalehu Elementary School library as part of the Jaycess Adopt A School program. We purchased 35 books that were requested by Linda Morgan, head librarian, and delivered them to an excited group of community service minded 6th grade student council leaders. We pledged an additional 70 books to be delivered throughout the year to help build and replace their deteriorating collection.

Our main fundraiser is held at the Wainaku Executive Center each year, which is owned by the Ed Olson trust, so we took the time to recognize Mr. Ed Olson, for his contributions to our community and his efforts in revitalizing our struggling economy with his environmentally sound agricultural practices.

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- ✓ Lyon Arboretum Clean Up Project Dec 5, 2015 )
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| 1. | <u>JABSOM H.O.M.E. Medical Van</u>                    | Club members participating: <u>60</u> %  |
| 2. | <u>Women in Need- donate hygiene kits and clothes</u> | Club members participating: <u>90%</u> % |
| 3. | <u>US Vets Homeless Shelter Upgrade/ Employment</u>   | Club members participating: <u>60%</u> % |

Total number of Community Service projects accomplished this year is 10

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A narrative follows:  Yes  No

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Please insert narrative below.

### **Centennial Project--**

This year, the Club selected the H.O.M.E. Medical Van Project to support as the centennial project. The van was retrofitted by our club several years ago as a mobile medical clinic that goes to the various homeless shelters on Oahu. Our club donated \$9500 in matching grant to purchase an ultrasound machine for early detection and diagnosis of a medical condition and as a training tool for the medical students. In addition, our club members bought things for a hygiene kit and 17 members got together to make the kits. When the van visited the homeless shelters, the members followed the van and distributed the kits to patients in the shelters as Rotarian at Work Project. This project is sustainable and makes a difference in the community.

### **New Community Project**

This year, the club participated in cleaning plants and ground work in the Lyon Arboretum. 14+ members from our club and their spouses with UH Rotaract, Pau Hana, Windward Rotarians who worked in the mud, clearing the plants and ground for several hours in the morning. After the project was done, the volunteers feasted on pizza and drinks. It was muddy and a dirty job enjoyed by all and appreciated by the Lyon Arboretum.

### **Community Needs Assessment**

The President facilitated a meeting of the Board and Avenues of Service Directors to assess the community needs, service projects and available funding. Several projects were identified and monies were allocated for the various projects. There were 9 projects identified at the beginning then one project was added in the latter year. The most recent project that is still in progress is the building of the first Men's Shed in Hawaii. A location has been acquired through the City and County, license and non-profit status has been approved.

### **Service Projects and Activities Listed on Rotary Central and Rotary Showcase**

All service projects are listed on Rotary Central by the Club's President. The Centennial Project is listed in Rotary Showcase with a description and pictures posted. There is a plan to include another project featuring Jefferson Elementary's aquaponic project.

### **Participated in a Local Service Project with Beneficiaries as Partners**

Jefferson Elementary Aquaponic Project that our club supported needed a cover to protect against birds. Photo voltaic power is utilized to run the pumps. The club partnered with the Men's Leadership Organization to provide the work force to install the netting completely around the facility. The school staff and families assisted in putting the project together. The Club donated \$2099 for supplies to maintain the aquaponic project that has plants and fishes that the students plant and maintain. The school started a barter system with businesses to exchange their crop for fish food. The school cannot sell their products but the students harvest the plants and can take them home to share with their families. These children come from low income homes.

### **All Projects address the various service areas. One of them is the UHJABSOM Project**

UHJABSOM Medical Van- Provides medical care and vaccines to homeless children so that that they can attend school. Hygiene Kits are provided for the whole family. This project fights disease and serves mothers and children in homeless shelters.

### **Grant Funding from The Rotary Foundation-** 4 out of 10 projects are funded through grants.

US Homeless Vet- \$2120 Matching Grant for pre-employment assistance, hygiene kits and food supplies; \$9500 to JABSOM H.O.M.E; \$2099 Jefferson's Aquaponic Project (K-5) , Built a storage shed for Women in Need to store donated clothes by members and business partners.

**Literacy Project in a local community-** Donated books to Jefferson Elementary Library and distribute dictionaries to 3rd Graders. Guest speakers sign the book that is donated to the school.

**Participate in adult literacy project-** Donated books to Partners in Development; Member volunteers as Hawaii Literacy Tutor

**Recognized Owner of Bubbies Ice Cream** for community partnerships with our club

**Participated in a multi-club hand-on Community Service Project-** Lyons Arboretum Clean up Project with UH Rotaract, Pau Hana, Windward Rotary Clubs and RCHS.



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- ✓ Lunalilo Home, Friends of the Falls of Clyde: see narrative
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List your 3 best Community Service Projects for this year, starting with the most important:

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| 1. | <u>Hoa Aina O Makaha</u>   | Club members participating: <u>20</u> % |
| 2. | <u>Lunalilo Home</u>       | Club members participating: <u>30</u> % |
| 3. | <u>Mental Health Kokua</u> | Club members participating: <u>18</u> % |

Total number of Community Service projects accomplished this year is Nine.

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A narrative follows:  Yes  No

Submission Deadline: April 30, 2016

Please insert narrative below.

**Community service** affords our members the opportunity to make a difference in our community and is one of our most active avenues of service. We are very proud of our past projects which have taken our club from Waianae to Molokai and have benefited those in need as well as our community in general. This year's projects are no exception; we are proud that much has been accomplished and that over 75% of our membership participated in at least one project.

Our Community Service Committee began this year with a strategic planning session held on June 27, which set a number of goals:

- 1) Complete between eight to ten projects; four of which would involve skilled work (e.g. carpentry, plumbing) and one of these would serve as our centennial project.
- 2) Encourage participation by including unskilled work (eg painting, gardening and cleaning) in every project, host family/kid friendly projects and involve other clubs as partners.
- 3) Our Centennial project to include a fellowship event; preferably a "weekend" get away.

A brief description of our major projects follows:

**Lunalilo Home, Hawaii Kai:** This home, founded by King Lunalilo, is a private care facility for elderly and indigent people of Hawaiian ancestry. The Home had a need to be able to grow their own vegetables and involve the residents in this activity. To this end our club reconstructed a 20 foot by 40 foot open air growing shed, installed a micro tube irrigation system to seven raised beds and cleared weeds and removed an extensive amount of trash. Particularly challenging was the shed reconstruction which involved replacing the main roof beam and reattaching all roof rafters with hurricane clips, reinforcing the entire structure and installing translucent roof panels. Our club invited and was joined by the Hawaii Kai Rotary Club, our Rotaract Club and a Boy Scout Troop in this family friendly, two "weekend" project, which took place on Oct. 3 and 10.

**Kokua Metal Health Center, Chinatown Honolulu:** This facility serves the homeless in China-town by providing rooms for a number of residents; and restrooms and shower facilities to those living on the streets. Our club helped restore the interior of this donated building by scraping and painting its "three story" stairway and surrounding walls. A major challenge was that access to the walls was restricted and often involved a lot of work off of ladders and the use of extension rods. Our club was supported in this project by several of the center's own staff (i.e. the beneficiaries). This project, our "Rotary Gives Thanks" project, was completed on Nov. 21.

**Friends of the Falls of Clyde, Honolulu Harbor:** This non-profit organization was not able to utilize a deck area adjacent to this historic Honolulu landmark ship for visitor orientations because of the condition of its railing. Our club and our Rotaract club addressed this by replacing 60 feet of the top railing, making repairs to other parts of the railing, and painting the refurbished railing, allowing this area to be used again. Our project also involved the relocation of very large and bulky items from the deck area and a general "clean-up" of the harbor area surrounding the ship and former Museum. This family friendly project was completed on February 27.

**Hoa Aina O Makaha:** This non-profit "farm" was selected as our Centennial Project because of the hands on educational opportunities it offers to children on the Waianae Coast and the work it does to promote literacy. Our club reached out to this organization and identified two main projects: 1) construction of an interior wall in their workshop and 2) painting the exterior and placing an insulating coating on the roof of their administration building. The project took place on April 22 through 24 and included an overnight stay and fellowship dinners and activities on Friday and Saturday nights. We were joined on this project by the staff at Hoa Aina.

**Other Service Projects:** Thomas Square Park clean-up on 9/12/16; Hosted a "Wounded Warrior" dinner for 15 invited service members on 10/12/16 at the Kaneohe Yacht Club; Packed backpacks for the Hawaii Foodbank's Keiki Backpack Program on 1/23/16 and again on 3/26/16. This program provides a backpack of food and snacks for all students at the Princess Kaiulani School and we are scheduled to pack books to close-out the "Friends of the Library" book sale on 6/26/16.



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- Participated in Rotarians at Work Day project on 04/30/2016 (Project BISAC Garden)
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| 1. | <u>Hilo Huli Community Projects Fundraiser</u> | Club members participating: <u>100</u> % |
| 2. | <u>Weinberg HIHR Garden Build/Food Basket</u>  | Club members participating: <u>60</u> %  |
| 3. | <u>Na Wai Ola PCS Curriculum Support</u>       | Club members participating: <u>15</u> %  |

Total number of Community Service projects accomplished this year is 25 projects+

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**“Making birdhouses with the keiki at Nā Wai Ola Charter School made my week! Projects like this are why I am a proud member of Rotary.”**—Emily Emmons, as quoted in the Hawaii Tribune Herald, published March 10, 2016.

As with any Rotary club, service is the backbone of what we do. Going into the 2015-2016 year the club was already highly active, engaging in close to 20 annual projects. This year six more projects were added, with a few more planned on top of that to be completed before July.

**Our 25+ community projects can be broken down into six categories:**

**Manpower support** (*Ironman, Hilo Triathlon, Salvation Army Bell Ringing, BISAC Splash Bash...volunteers to help make an event possible*)

**Show of Support** (*YWCA, Veterans and Merrie Monarch Parades*)

**Distribution/Testing** (*3rd gr. Dictionary, Hawai‘i Healthy Me Books, Vision testing*)

**Collection of Goods/Money** (*Collecting books for literacy, toiletries for the homeless, kitchen items for Boys & Girls Club, money for community projects*)

**Hands-On** (*Building gardens, Installing Rescue Tubes, Supporting keiki projects, Providing keiki mentorship, Planting Trees*)

**Partnerships** (*Supporting another club’s projects—like Rotaract’s Relay for Life & Operation Christmas Child*)

Four of our new projects included our beneficiaries as partners. This was the first year we partnered with the Weinberg Foundation which enabled us to not only work with the Hawai‘i Island Home for Recovery to build a sustainable vegetable garden for their clients, but also allowed us to work with The Food Basket and provide \$10,000 in support of their farming initiative. In addition, we provided \$600 to the Nā Wai Ola Public Charter School to support their curriculum, which purchased chess sets and science project supplies for each of the 26 keiki, as well as working together with Rotarian muscle to construct 26 wooden birdhouses---this project is featured on Rotary Showcase, as well as receiving great PR coverage in the local newspaper. We were also able to partner with HOPE Services to collect and distribute needed hygiene items to our local homeless population, as well as work on a therapeutic garden alongside the staff of the Big Island Substance Abuse Council, to benefit their clients in recovery. Both gardening projects allowed for multi-club participation and support. All our projects have been listed on Rotary Central.

Several of our projects fall under the six areas of focus: We helped address the underlying causes of conflict through HOPE Services, we promoted good nutrition and literacy through our Hawai‘i Healthy Me food guide distributed to 4th graders in 26 schools island-wide, and we furthered basic education and literacy through book distributions and the partnership with Nā Wai Ola PCS.

Projects that require financial support are made possible by our community projects' fundraiser, Hilo Huli, now in its 12th year, having raised over \$200,000 since its inception. Each year three main beneficiaries are chosen (*2016 Hilo Medical Center Pediatric Renovations, Hospice of Hilo Keiki Bereavement Program, and Hilo Bay Front Trails Project*), and other community projects, like Nā Wai Ola are chosen throughout the year. With 100% club participation, the Hilo Huli is truly a team effort.

Our community service efforts are one of the main ways we live into our club's mission:  
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| 1. | <u>Painting project at Next Step Sheler</u>      | Club members participating: <u>30</u> % |
| 2. | <u>Garage Sale at Waikiki Elem- 6th annual</u>   | Club members participating: <u>40</u> % |
| 3. | <u>Literacy Projects- many separate projects</u> | Club members participating: <u>50</u> % |

Total number of Community Service projects accomplished this year is 39+ \_\_\_\_\_.

Please provide a narrative description of your three best Community Service projects listed above and any detail supporting the checked items listed above. Using the attached form, limit your response to ONE 8½"x11" page. (No letterhead, pictures, or graphics and print in Times New Roman 12pt size).

A narrative follows:     Yes     No

Submission Deadline: April 30, 2016

Please insert narrative below.

We are very proud of our community service projects this year. We did not want to say 'no' to anything and anyone, especially if one of our members brought it to our attention. Our Community Service Chair, Stephen Morgan, lead the way and just - got it done.

Our Centennial Project was a three-part painting project at the Next-Step Shelter transitional housing for families located at Kakaako waterfront area. We eventually painted all the cubicles where families slept- it was probably never painted before and what a difference a new coat of paint made! Painting is hard work, but you get enough Waikiki Rotarians together and you get FUN, fellowship, some exercise and lots of food! We were also able to provide a book giveaway at a later time for the children as well as participate in a Holiday Angel Tree project giveaway and dinner in December. Americorp, Hawaii and the Boys Scouts also participated in the painting project with our club!

One of our community service goals is to give back in our own backyard- in Waikiki:

- This year we held our 6th annual Garage Sale at Waikiki Elem School Feb. 2016. Since it's on 6th annual, we can see how far we're come in getting participation from the school, parents and the community as a whole. In past years, our Club brought all the 'stuff' to sell. This year, we noticed parents, teachers, neighbors dropping off bags of clothes and other items to sell. We raised \$1,200 from the sale- all funds go to Waikiki Elem.
- We hosted 10 seniors from Waikiki Community Center for Thanksgiving Lunch
- We have also partnered with YO house- for homeless teens in Waikiki to provide backpacks, school supplies and a holiday meal in December.

Our club also has a strong literacy legacy as several members are retired teachers and know the importance of the early love of reading. Although, not all of our literacy projects are listed, these are a few of the highlights:

- We continue to participate in the Dictionary Project distribution and it continues to be a popular event for members to sign up. We want to make sure that all schools are covered and are willing to pick up additional schools. This year we delivered to 8 schools and gave away over 800 dictionaries.
- Our 'Books for Kids' program gave us the opportunity to give over 4000 new books to children at various elem and intermediate schools. Most of these books are hard cover and are popular reads.
- 'Rotary Reads' is a monthly programs that we have instituted at Waikiki Elem by where our members volunteer to read to kindergarten students
- In support of our military families, we donate books to Tripler Army Medical Center for newborn babies. We also support Fisher House Hawaii with books for the children who are staying here. Fisher House is a home away from home for families and patients receiving medical treatment at Tripler. Families served are from the Pacific area. New member Patti Michell introduced us to Fisher House and we look forward to future project there.
- We participated in Keiki Vision at several schools with book giveaways after the screening

Although, we can't list everything here, our goal was to help as much as possible and say 'yes' to all the possibilities. We are proud of our Centennial project, our involvement in Waikiki and our commitment to Literacy.