

**Rotary District 5000**  
**Club of Excellence Community Service Award**

Rotary Club of     Kahala Sunrise    

**Attain at least 200 merit points from July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024 from the following options to earn an Honorable Mention:**

|   | Merit Points |                   |
|---|--------------|-------------------|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Has an active Community Service Committee that meets regularly  | 50           | <u>50</u>         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conducted a community needs assessment with community stakeholders   | 75           | _____             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 75% of your club members participated in a least 2 community service projects  | 100          | _____             |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Club partnered with another community group on a service project  | 50           | <u>50</u>         |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Club partnered with another Rotary Club on a joint service project  | 50           | <u>50</u>         |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Promoted service project through social media   | 25           | <u>25</u>         |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Displayed banner and had educational info at service projects   | 25           | <u>25</u>         |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Prospective members participated in service project (10 points for each prospect)                                       | 10           | <u>10</u>         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> A committee member completed a Rotary Learning Center course<br>related to Community Service (25 points for each member attending) | 25           | _____             |
| <b>Total Community Service Merit Points</b>   |              | <b><u>210</u></b> |

What is the most impactful service project completed? Why should your club be recognized as a Club of Excellence in Community Service? (Describe in 200 words or less)

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Rotary Club of Hickam Pearl Harbor

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Has an active Community Service Committee that meets regularly  | 50           | <u>50</u>         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conducted a community needs assessment with community stakeholders   | 75           | <u>    </u>       |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 75% of your club members participated in a least 2 community service projects   | 100          | <u>100</u>        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Club partnered with another community group on a service project   | 50           | <u>    </u>       |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Club partnered with another Rotary Club on a joint service project  | 50           | <u>50</u>         |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Promoted service project through social media   | 25           | <u>25</u>         |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Displayed banner and had educational info at service projects   | 25           | <u>25</u>         |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Prospective members participated in service project (10 points for each prospect)   | 10           | <u>20</u>         |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A committee member completed a Rotary Learning Center course related to Community Service (25 points for each member attending) | 25           | <u>25</u>         |
| <b>Total Community Service Merit Points</b>   |              | <b><u>295</u></b> |

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An impactful project Rotary HPH sponsors four times a year is serving dinner to the homeless at Keauhou Shelter. This year we provided meals to over 50 homeless individuals. Witnessing their smiles and expressions of gratitude was profoundly moving and an honor to serve them. Our club deserves recognition as Club of Excellence in Community Service this past Rotary year for the 14 diverse community service projects in which we participated in or hosted. These events included serving meals to the homeless, conducting school beautification projects, entertaining our kupuna during Halloween, packing over 2,000 food boxes for kupuna across Hawaii, organizing community cleanups, clothing drives, and shopping for underprivileged elementary school children. Whenever there is a need, our club never hesitates to step in to help. Additionally, we support other clubs with their community service initiatives, particularly when additional hands are needed. Our club and its members embody the Rotary motto "Service Above Self," and we truly help to "create hope in the world."

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Rotary Club of Lahaina Sunrise

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Has an active Community Service Committee that meets regularly   | 50           | <u>50</u>         |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Conducted a community needs assessment with community stakeholders   | 75           | <u>75</u>         |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 75% of your club members participated in a least 2 community service projects  | 100          | <u>100</u>        |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Club partnered with another community group on a service project   | 50           | <u>50</u>         |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Club partnered with another Rotary Club on a joint service project   | 50           | <u>50</u>         |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Promoted service project through social media  | 25           | <u>25</u>         |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Displayed banner and had educational info at service projects  | 25           | <u>25</u>         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Prospective members participated in service project (10 points for each prospect)   | 10           | _____             |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A committee member completed a Rotary Learning Center course<br>related to Community Service (25 points for each member attending) | 25           | <u>25</u>         |
| <b>Total Community Service Merit Points</b>  |              | <b><u>400</u></b> |

What is the most impactful service project completed? Why should your club be recognized as a Club of Excellence in Community Service? (Describe in 200 words or less)

One project stands out among all the dozens of service projects we initiated or participated in this past year. Our Club partnered with Lahaina Restoration Foundation to bring a "Snow Zone" to Lahaina. In past years, the annual Snow Zone was at our beloved Banyan Tree and we wanted to make sure we continued with that project for the keiki and families of West Maui.

The Snow Zone was held at Royal Lahaina Resort in Kaanapali which was 100% occupied with families that lost their homes in the fire. We brought in 2 1/2 tons of "snow" that the kids were able to play in, we had cookie decorating stations, we even had Mr. and Mrs. Claus on hand to welcome the kids and take Santa pictures ! But one of the most memorable moments was told to us by a community member a few months later... Our Club has had our Christmas Tree sales fundraiser for over 20 years except for 2023 due to the fires, but we still wanted to bring that Christmas feeling to the displaced families. We purchased a few Christmas Trees, broke them down and made 100 door/wall "sprays" decorated with huge Christmas bows and gave them away to families at the event.

A few months later, we heard from one of the recipients who shared that those sprays were the only decorations that her and her 8 other siblings and their families needed. She shared that on Christmas Day, they all gathered together and laid the sprays on top of each other to make a Christmas Tree on the dinner table, then on New Years, they all took their sprays to their mom's gravesite as she recently passed away. That's why we do what we do....

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Rotary Club of     Ewa Beach    

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Has an active Community Service Committee that meets regularly  | 50           | <u>50</u>         |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Conducted a community needs assessment with community stakeholders  | 75           | <u>75</u>         |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 75% of your club members participated in a least 2 community service projects   | 100          | <u>100</u>        |
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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Promoted service project through social media   | 25           | <u>25</u>         |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Displayed banner and had educational info at service projects   | 25           | <u>25</u>         |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Prospective members participated in service project (10 points for each prospect)   | 10           | <u>30</u>         |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A committee member completed a Rotary Learning Center course related to Community Service (25 points for each member attending) | 25           | <u>75</u>         |
| <b>Total Community Service Merit Points</b>   |              | <b><u>480</u></b> |

What is the most impactful service project completed? Why should your club be recognized as a Club of Excellence in Community Service? (Describe in 200 words or less)

This year, we kicked off two very impactful service projects - Back to School Boost & Brighten Up the Holidays. Often times, our school teachers spend their own personal funds or raise money on online platforms to help fund the basic needs of their students for the school year. This is what inspired our The Back-to-school boost project. This project provides mini grants to educators in the Ewa Beach community. We awarded 4 mini-grants for the launch year. It was a hit that we have done it again for 2025 with more applications and awarding even more grants to educators in our local Ewa Beach community.

Another amazing project we kicked off this year is our Brighten Up The Holidays where we adopted 2 families in need for the holidays. We provided a holiday meal, a volume of household and food donations, personal gift cards for the family members including a \$150 gift card from our club toward groceries at Foodland. This project meant so much to the families we adopted that it was a very emotional delivery and they were so grateful for our giving. We will continue this project on next year as well.

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Rotary Club of South Hilo

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 75% of your club members participated in a least 2 community service projects   | 100          | <u>100</u>        |
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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Promoted service project through social media   | 25           | <u>25</u>         |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Displayed banner and had educational info at service projects   | 25           | <u>25</u>         |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Prospective members participated in service project (10 points for each prospect)   | 10           | <u>50</u>         |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A committee member completed a Rotary Learning Center course related to Community Service (25 points for each member attending) | 25           | <u>25</u>         |
| <b>Total Community Service Merit Points</b>   |              | <u><b>450</b></u> |

What is the most impactful service project completed? Why should your club be recognized as a Club of Excellence in Community Service? (Describe in 200 words or less)

The Marshallese Water Truck Project was completed in September 2023. The RCSH championed the effort to get clean water to the HOVE Marshallese community to improve their living conditions. The RCSH leadership felt that this underserved area and the resident population needs attention as it is the largest privately owned subdivision with less amenities than other communities. Over 1,700 island residents benefit from the Water Truck that the RCSH and other Rotary Clubs financially supported. The RCSH should be recognized as a Club of Excellence in Community Service because of reaching out to an impoverished community on Hawaii Island to improve with health and safety concerns.

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Rotary Club of     Kona Sunrise    

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Prospective members participated in service project (10 points for each prospect)  | 10           | <u>30</u>         |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A committee member completed a Rotary Learning Center course<br>related to Community Service (25 points for each member attending) | 25           | <u>25</u>         |
| <b>Total Community Service Merit Points</b>  |              | <u><b>305</b></u> |

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As part of our "Meet and Eat" community service project we continue to feed the food insecure monthly at Kealakehe Intermediate School with community partners serving donated food to over 60 families and up to three hundred persons. We also provided Christmas dinners to ten needy families as part of our annual "Ding Dong Dinner Ditch" community service event with the local Salvation Army. We started constructing a "Peace Garden" along the Old Kona Airport walking path in coordination with the Rotary Clubs of Kona and Kona Mauka.

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Rotary Club of     Kihei-Wailea    

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Conducted a community needs assessment with community stakeholders  | 75           | <u>75</u>         |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 75% of your club members participated in a least 2 community service projects   | 100          | <u>100</u>        |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Club partnered with another community group on a service project  | 50           | <u>50</u>         |
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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Displayed banner and had educational info at service projects   | 25           | <u>25</u>         |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Prospective members participated in service project (10 points for each prospect)                                       | 10           | <u>100</u>        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> A committee member completed a Rotary Learning Center course<br>related to Community Service (25 points for each member attending) | 25           | <u>    </u>       |
| <b>Total Community Service Merit Points</b>   |              | <b><u>475</u></b> |

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The Rotary Club of Kihei-Wailea has a very strong presence in the community. It would be impossible to list the many community service events that we sponsored and members participated in since the Maui fires.

Notable club projects include the maintenace of the Rescue Tubes, the erection and dedication of a Peace Pole in honor of Mark Harbison and local coverage of the 45th club anniversary which was attended by Senator McKelvey.

The club created a coaching program called Imua Readers. This is a one on one coaching program for first graders to bring them up to grade level reading. It is coached by community members and club members.