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88/108 TRF GIVING CLUBS
19/108 100% GIVING
18/108 100% EREY



ANNUAL FUND \$99,553.78
POLIOPLUS \$69,910.67
ENDOWMENT \$26,000



TOTAL GIVING
\$195,464.45

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Editor's Note



Dear Fellow Rotarians,

As we welcome the month of November, we are reminded once again of Rotary's enduring mission of service, fellowship, and transformative leadership. This is the month when we place special focus on The Rotary Foundation, an institution that has empowered Rotary to create meaningful change for more than a century—changing lives, strengthening communities, and giving hope where it is needed most.

The Foundation reminds us that our actions—big or small—can create ripples that reach far beyond our immediate circles. From global efforts to eradicate polio, to district programs that provide education, clean water, livelihood opportunities, and peacebuilding, every contribution matters. Whether we are sharing our time, our expertise, or our resources, we each become part of a bigger story—one that continues to shape a better world.

This issue celebrates the power of collective impact. Inside, we highlight projects that demonstrate how Rotary members are responding with compassion and innovation to the evolving needs of the communities we serve. We feature clubs that have taken bold steps to launch new initiatives, deepen partnerships, and expand outreach—proving that service is not just what we do, but who we are.

As we move into the last quarter of the Rotary year, may we carry forward renewed purpose and energy. Let us continue to lead with empathy, serve with integrity, and inspire others by example. Together, we can make this year one of lasting significance.

Thank you for your dedication and for living out the values of Rotary every day. Wishing each of you a meaningful and impactful November.

Yours in Rotary Service,

PP Beth Directo
Editor-in-Chief
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The GML is published each month to keep members in our district informed, engaged, and motivated to contribute to Rotary's mission of service and fellowship, as well as to continue to create a positive impact in the communities we serve and the world.



ON THE COVER:

The cover features Rotarians of RID 3780, unified in their signature red "End Polio Now" shirts, stand together during the inspiring World Polio Day Awareness Celebration held at Amoranto Stadium on October 24.

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MESSAGE *from our* **DISTRICT GOVERNOR**

Dear fellow Rotarians,

As we enter the month of November, my heart is filled with gratitude for each of you, your dedication, your compassion, and your unwavering belief in Rotary's mission to serve humanity. Every meeting conducted, every project implemented, every hour spent planning, leading, and caring reflects the true character of Rotary and the profound difference we make when we come together with purpose.

November is celebrated across the Rotary world as Rotary Foundation Month, a time when we honor one of the greatest legacies of our organization. The Rotary Foundation stands as a beacon of hope, transforming generosity into measurable impact, and turning the collective goodwill of Rotarians into life-changing action.

For more than a century, our Foundation has empowered communities and lifted lives. Because of the Rotary Foundation:

- Children have clean water to drink
- Mothers have safer and healthier pregnancies
- Students discover the joy of learning and the power of literacy



**We give not because we must,
but because we understand
what our giving means to
those who have so little and
hope for so much.**

Veronica Yu

- Communities rise from hardship with dignity and resilience
- And the world stands closer than ever to the complete eradication of polio

What makes this legacy extraordinary is that it is built not by governments or corporations alone, but by ordinary people with extraordinary hearts—by Rotarians who chose to give so that others may have opportunity.

This month, I encourage every Rotarian to reconnect with the story of the Foundation. Share its victories. Celebrate its achievements. And reflect on the lives touched by projects that you may never see, but whose impact will echo for generations. Let us give not because we must, but because we understand what our giving means to those who have so little and hope for so much.

Across our district, I have witnessed clubs bringing this spirit to life with passion and creativity. Whether through medical missions, education programs, environmental action, livelihood development, or care for the most vulnerable, your work is a testament to Rotary's belief that service—when done with love—can change the world.

But our journey does not stop here. As leaders of service, we are challenged to deepen engagement in our clubs, nurture future leaders, and ensure that Rotary remains vibrant, diverse, and strong. We must continue welcoming new members, supporting current ones, and keeping our clubs not just active—but meaningful, inspiring, and relevant to the communities we serve.

I ask each of you to reflect this month on a simple but powerful question:

“What more can I do today that someone, somewhere, is praying for?”

Because behind every Rotary project is a human story—someone's child, someone's future, someone's chance at a better life. Our efforts may feel small at times, but to those we serve, they are immeasurable.

As we journey through November, I hope you carry with you a renewed sense of pride—not in what Rotary promises, but in what Rotary delivers. Let us continue building bridges of peace, opening doors of opportunity, and planting seeds of hope in places where hope is too often in short supply.

Thank you for your steadfast service, your leadership, and your commitment to Doing Good in the World. I am honored to serve alongside you, and I look forward to the many milestones we will celebrate together in the months ahead.

With gratitude and Rotary fellowship,

Veronica Yu
District Governor
Rotary International District 3780
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Message from Rotary International President 2025-26

This November, as we celebrate The Rotary Foundation, I invite you to consider not only what we give but why we give. The Foundation is more than a fund for projects. It is the beating heart of our promise that service, rooted in trust and friendship, can create lasting change.

Our Action Plan calls us to increase our impact, and the Foundation is how we make this vision real. Since 1988, Rotary and our partners have immunized nearly 3 billion children against polio. We have committed more than \$2.6 billion to this cause, and last year alone we directed \$146 million toward the final push for eradication. These numbers are significant, but the true impact is not in statistics — it is in the lives of children who will never again fear polio. It is in the hope restored to families and the peace built in communities once defined by disease.

But polio is only one story among many. Each year, Rotary Peace Centers train new generations of leaders who will transform conflict into dialogue and division into understanding. In 2023-24, nearly 100 new fellows began their studies, continuing a legacy of more than 1,800 peacebuilders from over 140 countries. When we invest in them, we are planting seeds of peace that will bear fruit for decades to come.

The Foundation also touches lives through district and global grants, supporting projects large and small. A clean water well for a rural community, scholarships for young professionals, medical care in the wake of disaster — these are not temporary gestures, but steps toward dignity, resilience, and opportunity. This is how Rotary service becomes lasting impact. And when natural disasters strike, our Foundation allows Rotary to act quickly with disaster response grants.

Our Foundation is not about what we can do alone but what we can do together. Each contribution, no matter its size, joins with others to create a collective act of faith in humanity and in the future.

The last mile of any great journey is always the hardest. We see this in our final steps toward ending polio, in our work for peace, and in every project that seeks to lift people out of despair. Yet every time we give, we declare that our work will continue regardless of the challenge.

This November, let us give with gratitude, with joy, and with hope. Through our Foundation, we *Unite for Good*, and in doing so, we leave behind not only projects but a legacy of peace, trust, and Service Above Self.

Francesco Arezzo
President
Rotary International
RY 2025 – 2026



Message from Trustee Chair 2025-26

Many of you will remember the theme I chose as RI president in 2020-21: *Rotary Opens Opportunities*. I remain passionate about these opportunities and I know you do too.

As we celebrate Rotary Foundation Month, let's reflect on the many ways the Foundation makes the world better. Rotary is extraordinary, and the Foundation amplifies that impact.

I encourage all of you — in Rotary and Rotaract clubs — to discover this for yourselves. Go beyond the local level and engage with The Rotary Foundation globally. You can partner with clubs to boost literacy in Guatemala or fight malaria in Zambia. You can make a difference with clean water initiatives reaching millions or maternal health programs saving lives across continents.

It doesn't stop there. Through major impact projects like Programs of Scale, we're pursuing bold initiatives that push Rotary's potential to create lasting change further. Greater impact and greater visibility: this is our path forward.

Many of you have asked about the status of Rotary's biggest impact project in history — our long-term commitment to polio eradication. Recently, RI President Francesco Arezzo, International PolioPlus Committee Chair Michael McGovern, and I met with Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif and the army leadership of Pakistan. Everyone is fully committed to eradicating polio once and for all. We were absolutely convinced by the work of Pakistan's emergency operations centers, where experts plan and coordinate vaccination.

While some governments scale back support for polio eradication, Rotary remains committed to its pledge to raise \$50 million again this year. This meeting reaffirmed our unwavering commitment to finishing this historic mission.

What excites me most is seeing how each of us can make a real difference through our Foundation. I urge everyone — especially newcomers to Rotary — to explore these opportunities. Find your passion among our areas of focus and discover projects to support, especially through global grants.

We members fund, sustain, and deliver these projects. That's why the Foundation consistently earns top ratings from Charity Navigator. If you don't want to lead a project, you can still be part of the Foundation through annual support.

Our fundraising goal for 2025-26 is an ambitious \$500 million. Your gift this month will create countless opportunities.

We have incredible opportunities before us, and the impact we achieve together through The Rotary Foundation is exponential. The proof is undeniable.

Holger Knaack
Trustee Chair
Rotary International
RY 2025 – 2026

RC BIAK NA BATO HOLDS COMMUNITY NUTRITION AND WELLNESS PROGRAM IN BATASAN HILLS

BY ROTARY CLUB OF BIAK NA BATO

The Rotary Club of Biak na Bato successfully conducted a Community Nutrition and Wellness Program in Area B, Sitio Talanay, Barangay Batasan Hills, Quezon City, reaffirming its commitment to promoting health and well-being among underprivileged communities.

The initiative provided nutritional support and basic health services to 50 indigent children, addressing the pressing need for improved nutrition and healthcare among youth in underserved areas. The program aimed to encourage healthier lifestyles, proper nutrition, and early health awareness to support children's growth and development.



The event was made possible through the active participation of the Rotaractors of the Rotary Club of Biak na Bato and the Lakas ng Kabataan ng Silangan (LAKAS-UE). Volunteers dedicated their time and effort to ensure the success of the outreach, providing nutritious meals, health check-ups, and educational talks for both children and their parents.

Rotary Club of Biak na Bato President Jojo Ablog expressed gratitude to all volunteers and partners for their unwavering support, emphasizing the importance of collaboration in serving humanity.

"Through partnerships like this, we are able to make a tangible difference in the lives of our community's youth. Together, we nurture not just healthier children, but a healthier future," he said.

The activity is part of Rotary's continuing advocacy under its "Disease Prevention and Treatment" and "Maternal and Child Health" areas of focus, underscoring the organization's dedication to uplifting communities through sustainable service projects.





PRESERVING THE ROOTS OF CAMIAS: RC WEST TRIANGLE'S CULTURAL HERITAGE MISSION IN PORAC, PAMPANGA

BY ROTARY CLUB OF WEST TRIANGLE

The Rotary Club of West Triangle, in collaboration with its sister club, the Rotary Club of Midtown Angeles, recently had the privilege of experiencing the rich cultural heritage of Barangay Camias, Porac, Pampanga. What began as a visit focused on community support became a meaningful opportunity to witness the vibrant traditions that continue to flourish in the area.

A highlight of the event was the performance of the indigenous community, who showcased their traditional dances with remarkable skill and grace. Their presentation reflected not only artistic excellence but also a deep dedication to preserving customs passed down through generations. Particularly inspiring were the elders who participated. Despite their age, they demonstrated impressive mastery and presence, captivating the audience and proving that cultural pride transcends time.

Equally noteworthy was the participation of selected students from Camias High School, who delivered a lively street dance performance. Their talent and enthusiasm filled the atmosphere with joy and energy. It was heartening to see that, despite challenges faced by the community, the youth expressed themselves with confidence and pride—celebrating resilience and hope rather than hardship.

The event underscored the importance of cultural heritage as a vital part of community identity. Beyond mere performance, the dances represented unity, tradition, and the enduring spirit of the people of Camias. For the members of the Rotary Club of West Triangle and the Rotary Club of Midtown Angeles, the experience was both inspiring and humbling—a reminder that serving communities means not only meeting physical needs but also honoring and uplifting cultural roots.

Moments like these remind us that culture is a powerful foundation for building stronger communities. The people of Barangay Camias have shown that even in the face of life's challenges, their traditions remain a wellspring of pride and strength. It is a privilege for Rotary to stand with them, supporting not only their needs but also their heritage.



RC KAMUNING CELEBRATES LEGACY AND LEADERSHIP: GOVERNOR'S VISIT AND 46TH CHARTER ANNIVERSARY

BY ROTARY CLUB OF KAMUNING

On October 7, 2025, the Rotary Club of Kamuning proudly marked a triple celebration of purpose and progress at the Quezon City Sports Club. The day began with a heartfelt One-on-One between President Versean M. Bargola and District Governor Veronica Yu—an intimate dialogue that fostered trust and understanding as they aligned visions for impactful service and sustainable leadership.

Following the meeting, the club welcomed the official Governor's Visit, an event rich with purpose and precision. President Bargola, officers, and members showcased the club's initiatives grounded in Rotary's Seven Areas of Focus. With excellence in both presentation and performance, RC Kamuning earned an impressive score of 9 out of 10—a testament to its strong reporting, commitment, and unity.

The club's 46th Charter Anniversary lit up the evening with a vibrant disco-themed celebration. Members, guests, and partners-in-service danced, shared memories, and honored nearly five decades of dedication to Service Above Self.

This remarkable day reminded everyone of the power of collaboration and the enduring spirit of Rotary. RC Kamuning stands stronger, more inspired, and united—for good and for greater service.





RC ROXAS, QC CELEBRATES THE SUCCESS OF 10-DAY WELDING TRAINING PROJECT

BY ROTARY CLUB OF ROXAS, QC



The Rotary Club of Roxas, QC recently celebrated the successful completion of its 10-day Welding Training Project held in October 2025, under Rotary's focus areas of Peacebuilding and Conflict Prevention and Community and Economic Development. The project was spearheaded by IPP Fred Duque during the administration of UFG President Wilyn Fenete and generously sponsored by PP Randy Bowen of the Rotary Club of Orofino, Idaho, USA.

In partnership with TESDA and the Barangay Roxas officials led by Barangay Captain Mary Dianne Regalado and Barangay Councilor Nico Galapon, the program provided both theoretical and hands-on training to 16 out-of-school youth and unemployed adults, ensuring employment opportunities upon completion. The initiative aimed to equip participants with valuable welding skills, enabling them to secure stable jobs and contribute meaningfully to their families and the community.

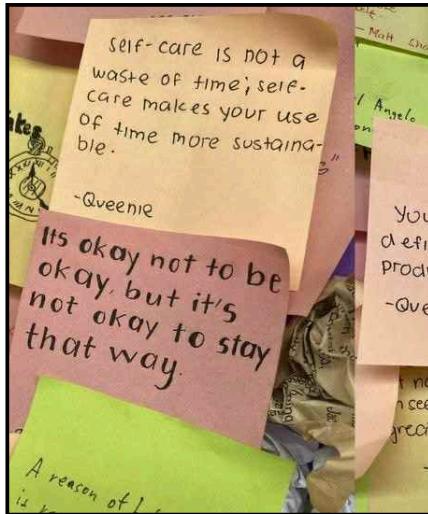
The graduation ceremony, held on October 25, 2025, at the Barangay Roxas Gymnasium, was highlighted by the presence of TESDA Board Member Sir Antonio Borromeo and inspirational guest speaker Ms. Elleona Borromeo.

This project demonstrates Rotary's enduring commitment to building peace, transforming lives, and fostering economic growth through sustainable skill development.



RC SAN BARTOLOME JOINS THE 2025 MENTAL HEALTH MONTH CELEBRATION

BY ROTARY CLUB OF SAN BARTOLOME



In celebration of Mental Health Month 2025, the Rotary Club of San Bartolome proudly stands in solidarity with this year's advocacy for mental wellness and emotional resilience. As part of its ongoing commitment to community service, the club is sponsoring the "Kindness Wall" Contest at North Fairview High School—an uplifting initiative that encourages students to share positive words, thoughtful messages, and simple acts of compassion.

This project serves as a gentle reminder that kindness is healing—that even the smallest gesture of care can spark hope, strengthen connections, and nurture a sense of belonging. Through this collaboration, the club aims to inspire young minds to cultivate a culture of empathy and positivity, where no one feels alone in their journey.

Kindness matters. Words carry influence. And together, we can uphold mental health as a shared responsibility—one thoughtful message at a time.



RC ROOSEVELT CHAMPIONS MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH THROUGH MEDICAL MISSION IN BULACAN

BY ROTARY CLUB OF ROOSEVELT

The Rotary Club of Roosevelt, in partnership with the Rotary Club of Angat, conducted a medical mission in Barangay Sta. Lucia, Angat, in support of Rotary's Area of Focus on Maternal and Child Health. The initiative provided essential healthcare services to 216 beneficiaries, turning a single day of outreach into a meaningful effort to strengthen community well-being.

The mission served 49 pediatric patients and offered general check-ups to 76 adults, many of whom were mothers attending to their children. A team of OB-Gyne specialists, pediatricians, general physicians, and allied medical professionals delivered free consultations, prenatal and pediatric care, nutrition counseling, and essential medicines. RC Roosevelt also donated maternal and child health (MCH) supplies—including prescribed medicines and nutritional supplements—extending the mission's impact beyond the event.

Families received guidance on prenatal care, breastfeeding, immunization, and proper nutrition, empowering mothers to build healthier and more resilient households. The activity concluded with the signing of a Memorandum of Agreement between RC Roosevelt and RC Angat, formalizing a partnership rooted in compassion and in service—a shared commitment to safeguard the health of every mother and child and to help build a community where hope and care continue to thrive.





RC SACRED HEART UNITE FOR A GREENER FUTURE

BY THESS PARUNGAO OF THE ROTARY CLUB OF SACRED HEART

On a bright Sunday morning, over 200 participants gathered at La Mesa Nature Reserve Park for a tree-planting activity. The Rotary Club of Sacred Heart spearheaded the initiative in partnership with the Philippine Army Reservists, fellow Rotarians, and dedicated volunteers to address the urgent need for reforestation and environmental stewardship amid escalating threats of flooding and climate change.

Throughout the day, teams worked side by side—digging holes, planting saplings, and covering roots with soil. This collaborative effort not only contributed to the ecological restoration of La Mesa Nature Reserve Park but also fostered camaraderie and strengthened ties across different sectors of society. The success of the event underscores the power of unity and collective action in addressing environmental challenges.

RC BAGONG SILANGAN LEADS RESPONSIBLE FUR-RENTHOOD: A COMMUNITY DRIVE AGAINST RABIES

BY ROTARY CLUB OF BAGONG SILANGAN

The Rotary Club of Bagong Silangan successfully conducted a dog and cat vaccination drive titled "Turok sa Pusa't Aso, Iwas Rabies sa Tao" on October 26, 2025. The free vaccination program forms part of the Club's continuing efforts to promote animal welfare and protect the community from rabies, with a total of 70 dogs and 30 cats vaccinated.

In partnership with local veterinarians and barangay officials, the event brought together volunteers and responsible pet owners with a shared commitment to creating a safer, healthier environment for both people and animals. The drive prioritized not only household pets but also stray dogs and cats within the community, which pose a higher risk of spreading rabies.

RCBS members and volunteers worked together to reach homeless and abandoned animals, ensuring they received proper vaccination. The project reflects the Club's dedication to public health, animal care, and Rotary's guiding principle of "Service Above Self."

"This project goes beyond protecting pets," said UFG President Jen Chanco. "It's about protecting families—especially children—and keeping our community safe from preventable diseases like rabies."

The Rotary Club encourages residents to continue supporting its health initiatives by monitoring stray or unvaccinated animals in the community. Through compassion and cooperation, Barangay Bagong Silangan moves closer to becoming a rabies-free community.



AS OF NOVEMBER 15* (JULY-NOV)

100% MYROTARY REGISTRATION



74.56%
22/108 100%

- Bagong Silangan
- Bukluran QC
- Camp Crame
- Cubao South
- Kagitingang Cubao
- Katipunan
- Mega Edsa
- Metro Aurora
- Midtown Cubao
- Midtown Diliman
- North Balintawak
- North Edsa
- Quezon City APO
- Quirino - QC
- Roces
- Roosevelt
- Roxas
- San Roque
- University District, Diliman
- Uptown Cubao
- Valencia, Quezon City
- West Triangle

NET MEMBERSHIP GROWTH



NEW CLUBS	NET	CURRENT
+2	+239	2,534

+26 - Camp Crame
+17 - New Murphy Cubao
+14 - Broadway
+14 - Paraiso
+9 - Novaliches
+8 - Banawe Chinatown

+8 - North Edsa
+8 - San Bartolome
+7 - Loyola Heights
+6 - QC Metro North Centennial
+6 - Sta Lucia Novaliches

NEW CLUBS

+18 - Bukluran QC
+17 - West Fairview

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EVERY CLUBS

EVERY ROTARIAN, EVERY YEAR CLUB



\$100 PER CAPITA
100% MEMBER PARTICIPATION
18/108 CLUBS

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- Banawe Chinatown
- Bukluran QC
- Camp Crame
- Constitution Hill - Bagong Sandigan
- Cosmopolitan Cubao
- Cosmopolitan Timog
- Cubao South
- Kagitingang Cubao
- Katipunan
- New Murphy Cubao
- Novaliches
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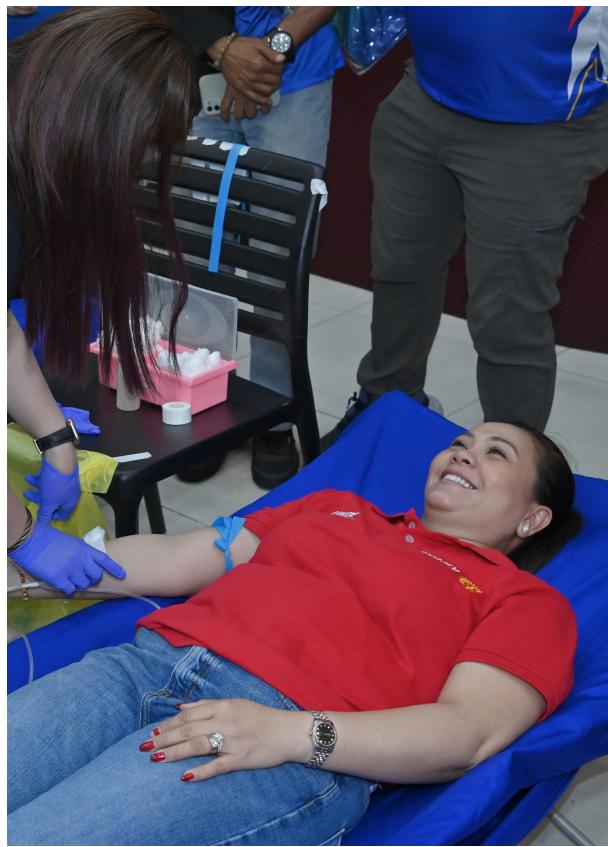


THE GIFT OF LIFE: GOVERNOR'S BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION BECOMES A LIFESAVING MISSION

BY FLORENCE "RENZ" DAUZ OF THE ROTARY CLUB OF KAGITINGANG CUBAO

Last October 18, 2025, Rotary Club of Kagitingang Cubao, together with RC Camp Crame and Region 3 clubs, hosted a powerful Bloodletting Project in honor of RI D3780 Governor Veronica Yu and Past District Governor Johnny Yu's birthdays. The theme "Unite to Save Lives, We Give the Gift of Life," we came together to make a lifesaving impact.

Out of 180 heroic donors, there were Eighty Three (83) successful donors. The Phil National Police personnel, Rotarians, and generous civilians, selflessly donated blood, ensuring vital support for patients in need. Every drop counts, and each donor became a beacon of hope for families facing critical moments.



A heartfelt thanks to our generous sponsors for believing in our mission to serve. To our Heroic Donors, the Phil National Police, Rotarians and civilians for being life heroes and for inspiring others.

To our live saving-partners: Dugong Alay Dugtong Buhay, Jose R. Reyes Memorial Medical Center, Jose Lingap Memorial General Hospital, and all co-hosts clubs of RID 3780, your collaboration fueled this project to success.

This bloodletting drive isn't just a project, it's Rotary in action: a compassion in motion. It's a reminder that together, we can save lives. As we celebrated Gov. Veronica Yu's leadership, we reaffirmed Rotary's promise: Service Above Self. Let's keep doing good and serving others.





UNITE FOR GOOD: ROTABOWL 2025 ROLLS INTO ACTION!

BY ROTARY CLUB OF LOYOLA HEIGHTS

RotaBowl 2025 officially launched on October 19, 2025, at Ever Gotesco Mall, Commonwealth, making a vibrant impact on the district's sports and fellowship scene. Hosted by the Rotary Club of Loyola Heights, this year's tournament proudly carries the theme "Unite for Good"—a celebration of camaraderie, competition, and community under Rotary District 3780.

The bowling lanes came alive with energy as Rotarians and guests gathered for a spirited day of fun and friendly rivalry. Teams showcased their bowling skills, donned their matching uniforms, and cheered enthusiastically for their candidates vying for the Ms. RotaBowl title. Participants gave their all with every strike and spare, adding excitement and momentum to the event.

More than just a competition, RotaBowl served as an opportunity to strengthen fellowship and foster unity among Rotary members and supporters. With the tournament now underway, the enthusiasm continues to rise.

As the games progress, stay tuned for highlights, schedules, and ways to join or support the event. RotaBowl 2025 promises a memorable season—bringing the community together through sports, service, and shared purpose.





THE ROTARY FOUNDATION RECOGNITION: A CELEBRATION OF GIVING AND SERVICE ABOVE SELF

"Uniting for Good" through Giving and Service

BY ROTARY CLUB OF CAMP CRAME

In the spirit of Rotary's theme for the year — "Unite for Good" — the Rotary Club of Camp Crame proudly partnered with Rotary International District 3780, under the leadership of District Governor Veronica Yu, to host The Rotary Foundation (TRF) Recognition Ceremony on October 20, 2025, at SEDA Vertis North Hotel.

The event beautifully highlighted Rotary's core values: generosity in action, unity in purpose, and service beyond self. Rotarians from across the district gathered not only to honor milestones of giving but also to reaffirm their collective commitment to Doing Good in the World.

The ceremony was graced by Past Rotary International President (PRIP) and The Rotary Foundation Trustee Chair Holger Knaack, accompanied by his wife, Madam Susanne Knaack. Their presence brought pride, inspiration, and a renewed sense of purpose to everyone in attendance.

In his heartfelt address, PRIP Holger Knaack reminded the audience that *"Rotary is not only about what we do today, but about what we make possible for tomorrow."* His words echoed the enduring mission of the Foundation — uniting hearts and hands across the globe in the pursuit of peace, health, and hope.

For more than a century, The Rotary Foundation has been the driving force behind Rotary's humanitarian work. It transforms every act of generosity into sustainable programs that promote peace, fight disease, provide clean water and sanitation, support education, grow local economies, and protect the environment. Through Global and District Grants, TRF empowers clubs to amplify their impact — turning compassion into lasting solutions. Its flagship **PolioPlus** initiative remains one of the greatest humanitarian campaigns in history, bringing the world closer than ever to eradicating polio.



When Rotarians give to the Foundation, they help communities rise from hardship, children access education, and families live healthier and more hopeful lives. TRF is Rotary's most powerful expression of uniting for good — converting generosity into meaningful global change.

As host of this year's TRF Recognition Ceremony, the Rotary Club of Camp Crame takes immense pride in the District's trust and confidence. Serving as host is both a privilege and a testament to the club's unwavering commitment to service and shared generosity.

This year, the club is honored to contribute significantly to the Foundation's mission through the generosity of its members:

- 2 Major Donors: PP PGEN Nicanor Bartolome (Ret) and PP USEC Bernardo Florece
- 3 Continuing Paul Harris Fellows: UFGP PLTGEN Edgar Alan O. Okubo, Rtn. Joy Gutierrez, and VP Engr. Ed De Perio
- 1 New Paul Harris Fellow: Rtn. Bernadette Wade

These contributions reflect the club's belief that the true measure of giving lies not in the amount, but in the lives it transforms.

The Recognition Night illuminated the power of collective generosity — a reminder that when Rotarians unite, extraordinary things become possible. Beyond the awards and distinctions, the evening was a celebration of unity, compassion, and purpose — values that continue to define District 3780's journey of service.

For the Rotary Club of Camp Crame, the event was a moment of pride and gratitude: pride in hosting such a meaningful celebration, and gratitude for the opportunity to be instruments of goodwill.

As the night came to a close, one truth remained clear:

Through The Rotary Foundation — and by uniting for good — Rotary's light of service will continue to shine brighter, stronger, and farther for generations to come.





ROTARY DISTRICT 3780 RALLIES TOGETHER FOR WORLD POLIO DAY 2025

BY ARNEL ABRENICA



World Polio Day was established by Rotary International to commemorate the birth of Dr. Jonas Salk, who led the team that developed the first effective vaccine against poliomyelitis.

Every year on 24 October, we observe World Polio Day to raise awareness of the importance of polio vaccination in protecting every child from this devastating disease. It is also a time to honor the many parents, health professionals, and volunteers whose dedication continues to make global polio eradication within reach.

To ensure a polio-free future for all, we must maintain high immunization coverage, strengthen surveillance systems to detect any presence of the virus, and remain ready to respond swiftly should an outbreak occur.





This year, Rotary District 3780—under the leadership of District Governor Veronica Yu and End Polio Chair PP Arnel Abrenica—organized a vibrant World Polio Day Awareness Celebration at Amoranto Stadium on October 24. The event united the district's six regions, together with their SAGs, UFG Presidents, club members, families, and friends.

Each region showcased a unique booth featuring games, End Polio sticker giveaways, and exciting prizes. Performers from EARIST added a festive cultural flair with traditional dances and acapella numbers. Celebrity guests also joined the celebration, graciously signing End Polio cards as memorable keepsakes.



A crowd favorite was the End Polio Teddy Bear—a joyful symbol of hope that brought smiles to attendees of all ages.

It was a successful, inspiring, and memorable celebration for Rotary District 3780, reaffirming our collective commitment to creating a world free from polio.

Relive the highlights of the event through our same-day edit video [here](#).

CHEERS FOR A CAUSE: ROTARY D3780 CELEBRATES WORLD POLIO DAY WITH OKTOBERFEST

BY ROTARY CLUB OF BAGONG SILANGAN

Rotary International District 3780 Quezon City, led by District Governor Veronica Yu, in collaboration with the Rotary Club of Bagong Silangan and the Rotary Club of Sta. Lucia Novaliches, marked World Polio Day with a vibrant celebration combined with Oktoberfest at the Manila Yacht Club on October 26, 2025. The event brought together Rotarians, guests, and supporters for an evening that blended enjoyment with purpose—highlighting Rotary's enduring commitment to ending polio worldwide.

The celebration featured an energetic lineup of live bands, upbeat music from DJs, and an abundance of festive food and drinks. The lively atmosphere fostered camaraderie among attendees, who came not only to enjoy the night but also to support a meaningful cause. Beyond the entertainment, the heart of the event centered on raising awareness and mobilizing support for Rotary's End Polio Now campaign, a global initiative dedicated to eradicating polio in the remaining affected areas.

Rotarians demonstrated that service and fellowship go hand in hand. While they are known for their commitment to humanitarian work, the event also showcased their ability to gather in fellowship, celebrate, and unite behind a shared mission. By the end of the evening, participants collectively raised ₱20,000 in donations. Their generosity underscored the ongoing importance of collaborative efforts in bringing the world closer to a polio-free future.

Relive the highlights of the event through our same-day edit video [here](#).





CULTIVATING YOUTH LEADERSHIP AT THE INTERACT LEADERSHIP ACADEMY

BY ROTARY CLUB OF LOYOLA HEIGHTS

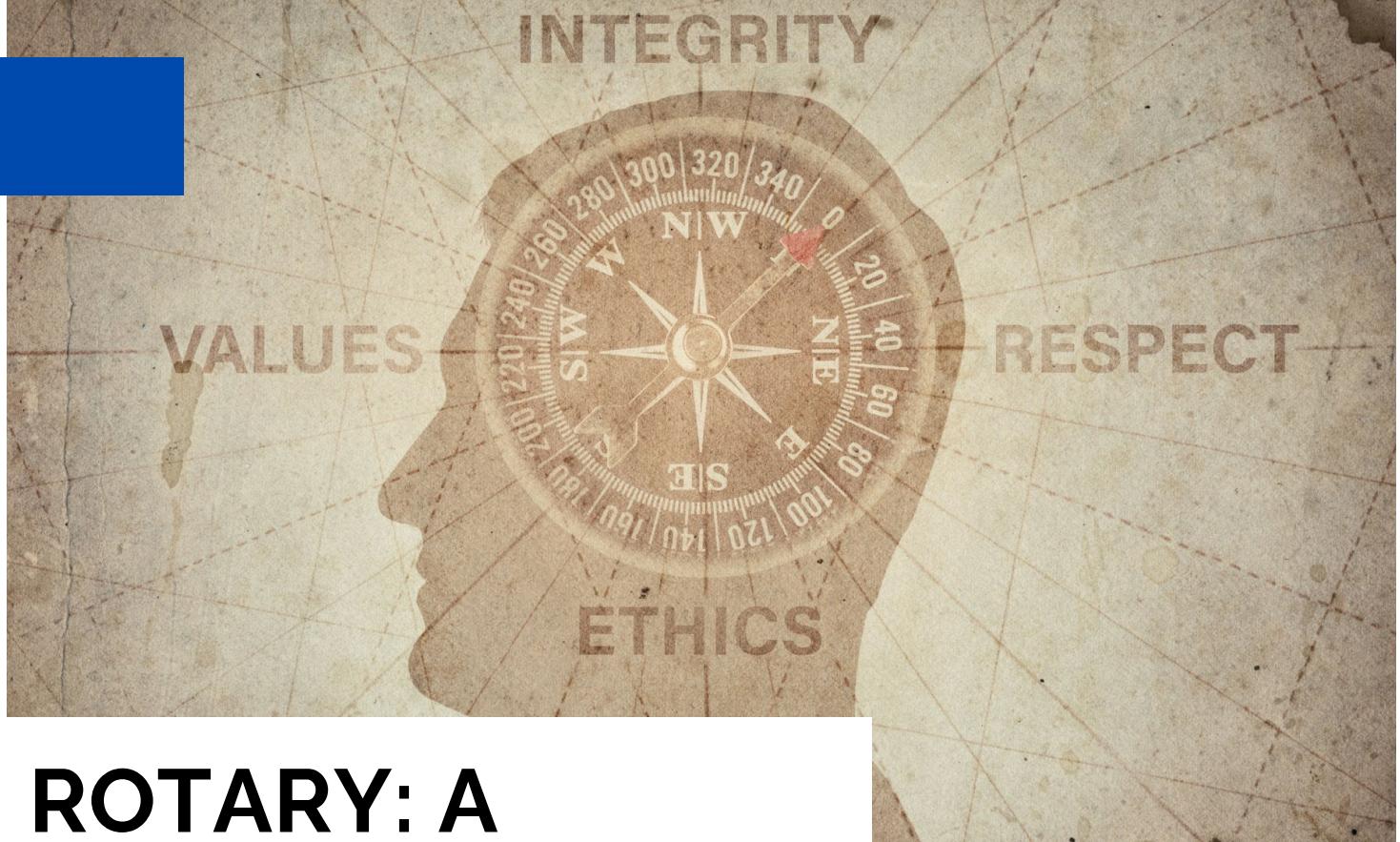
The Rotary Club of Loyola Heights, together with the Interact Club of Jose P. Laurel Senior High School (IAC of JPLSHS), successfully conducted the Interact Leadership Academy (ILA 1 & 2) on October 25, 2025, at the Rotary Center Roof Deck. The event gathered around 200 enthusiastic Interactors from various schools for a morning of learning, inspiration, and fellowship.

The academy aimed to equip young leaders with the right mindset and essential skills to serve with confidence and compassion. Atty. Evecar B. Cruz-Ferrer delivered an insightful session on Personality Development, while PDS Jesse Tanchanco discussed key Leadership Traits that help shape responsible and service-driven youth.

Both talks were engaging and motivating, encouraging participants to discover their strengths and embrace the Rotary spirit of Service Above Self. The success of the event was made possible through the dedication of the host club and the guidance of Youth Service Chairperson Ms. Nerie P. Lingan, whose leadership inspired everyone to Unite for Good.

The day concluded with smiles, new friendships, and a renewed passion for leadership and service — a true reflection of the belief that Interactors Today are Leaders Tomorrow.





ROTARY: A MORAL COMPASS IN A DIVIDED WORLD

BY RODRIGO BONIFACIO

In an era often characterized by division, personal ambition, and political polarization, there exist organizations that steadfastly stand as beacons of unity and selfless service. Among these, Rotary International shines brightly, a testament to the power of dedicated individuals coming together to uplift communities and embody a profound moral compass: The 4-Way Test.

Rotary is not, and has never been, a political organization. It is not a partisan group that fosters division through personal ambition, vested interests, or factionalism. Instead, it is a global network of civic leaders – men and women from diverse backgrounds, professions, and cultures – united by a singular purpose: to serve. Their commitment is rooted in a deeply ingrained ethical framework, the 4-Way Test, which asks:

1. Is it the Truth?
2. Is it Fair to all concerned?
3. Will it build Goodwill and Better Friendships?
4. Will it be Beneficial to all concerned?

These simple yet profound questions are not merely a motto; they are the very DNA of Rotary, guiding every decision, every project, and every interaction. For every Rotarian, these principles are not just for others, but for themselves. They are a constant reminder that the

primary interest of Rotary lies squarely with the community it serves, with the ultimate objective of transforming lives for the better.

The current Rotary International Presidential message, "Unite For Good," resonates deeply within this context. It is far more than a catchy slogan or a fleeting theme. It is a vital call to action, a significant message that demands to be practiced by heart, transcending the noise of partisan groups, personal interests, or individual ambitions. It's a powerful affirmation that our collective strength lies in our ability to unite, despite our differences, for the greater good of humanity.

Imagine a world where these principles are universally applied. Rotary strives to make that vision a reality, one community, one project, one Rotarian at a time. From eradicating polio to providing clean water, from promoting peace to supporting education, Rotary's impact is felt globally, driven by the unwavering commitment of its members.

No matter where a Rotarian's journey takes them – be it across cities, countries, or even transferring to a different district – the essence of who they are as a Rotarian remains constant. The 4-Way Test applies to each and every one of us, without exception. It is not a tool to judge others, but a mirror for self-reflection and a standard for personal conduct.

In a world clamoring for genuine leadership and authentic service, Rotary offers a powerful antidote to cynicism. It reminds us that true influence comes not from power or position, but from the unwavering commitment to truth, fairness, goodwill, and benefit to all. Let us, as Rotarians and as global citizens, embrace the spirit of "Unite For Good" and allow the timeless wisdom of the 4-Way Test to be our guiding light, illuminating a path towards a more compassionate, just, and unified world.



RC CAMP CRAME LEADS ROTARY DAY OF SERVICE IN BATANES

BY ROTARY CLUB OF CAMP CRAME



From the southernmost province of the country—Tawi-Tawi—to the distant shores of Pag-asa Island, the Rotary Club of Camp Crame (RCCC) has journeyed far and wide for a two-day Rotary Day of Service at the northernmost tip of the Philippines — Batanes.

On October 25, the club conducted a series of training sessions on Mental Health at Work and Coping with Stress, Special Needs Education, and Basic Sign Language Proficiency, alongside a Sports Clinic that promoted inclusivity, teamwork, and resilience among the Ivatan youth.

The following day, October 26, the team carried out an Outreach and Medical Mission, distributing medicines, vitamins, eyeglasses, oral care kits, wheelchairs, crutches, and food packs to more than 300 families in Ivana. The club also addressed institutional needs by donating generator sets, laptops, printers, solar lamps, books, first-aid kits, and emergency bags to six schools and barangays, the Ivana Municipal Police Station, the Batanes Police Provincial Office, and the Ivana LGU.

As the two-day mission concluded, the smiles, gratitude, and renewed hope of the Ivatans spoke volumes about the power of service and unity. This mission came to life through the persistence and vision of PLTGEN EDGAR ALAN O. OKUBO, Club President, whose resolve to dream big—and turn the impossible into reality—continues to propel the club, and the communities it serves, forward. *Dios mamajes, Batanes.*



RC GREENFIELDS QC LEADS “BREAK S.T.E.P.”: A COMMUNITY MOVE TO END POLIO

BY ROTARY CLUB OF GREENFIELDS QC

In celebration of World Polio Day last October 24, 2025, the Rotary Club of Greenfields QC, the Rotaract Club of Greenfields QC, and the Novaliches High School Interact Club held a simple yet meaningful Zumba and jogging event titled BREAK S.T.E.P (Sweat To End Polio) on October 26.

The program opened with a prayer led by the club's Public Image Chairperson, Chivas Ayroso, who also briefed participants on the importance of polio vaccination and emphasized Rotary's vital role in making global eradication achievable. The Zumba session, energized by the enthusiastic Interactors, was followed by a community jog within the Greenfields I subdivision.



Aligned with this year's theme — End Polio: Every Child, Every Vaccine, Everywhere — the activity aimed to raise awareness and promote a culture of giving among members, families, and friends. Nearly 30 participants joined the event, including the Unite for Good presidents of the partner clubs, Rotarian Maria Roselle Reyes, Rotaractor Princess Lourdes Duran, and Interactor Rayhie Ayezha Putong.



As a meaningful outcome of the activity, USD 25 was raised to support the PolioPlus Fund.

Small efforts can spark big change. Through initiatives like this, we continue to show our commitment to #EndPolioNow.

RC ENTREPRENEURS AND PROFESSIONALS PARTICIPATES IN QUEZON CITY'S 86TH FOUNDING ANNIVERSARY TREE-PLANTING INITIATIVE

BY ROTARY CLUB OF ENTREPRENEURS AND PROFESSIONALS

On October 18, 2025, the Rotary Club of Entrepreneurs and Professionals (RCEP), under the leadership of Unite for Good President Cynthia De Leon, actively participated in the 86th Founding Anniversary celebration of Quezon City at the Payatas Controlled Disposal Facility in Barangay Payatas.

In support of the city's environmental campaign, RCEP members and officers joined more than 300 volunteers from various organizations in a large-scale Tree Planting Project—one of the key activities under the "Luntiang QC: One Million Trees Initiative." This collective effort reinforces the city government's commitment to restoring and expanding green spaces as part of its long-term sustainability and climate resilience goals.

The initiative aims to promote a cleaner, greener, and more resilient Quezon City—one that prioritizes the protection of natural resources and the reduction of environmental risks such as flooding. Through its participation, RCEP continues to demonstrate its commitment to Rotary's Area of Focus: Supporting the Environment, while contributing to programs that foster ecological balance and sustainable urban development.

The Rotary Club of Entrepreneurs and Professionals remains steadfast in its mission to uphold Service Above Self, working in partnership with local government units and civic organizations to advance initiatives that strengthen environmental awareness and community well-being.



RC GREATER ANONAS MARKS OCTOBERBEST WITH MEANINGFUL SERVICE AND COMMUNITY IMPACT

BY ROTARY CLUB OF GREATER ANONAS

The Rotary Club of Greater Anonas proudly celebrated its “OctoberBest: Rotary Day of Service and Fellowship,” a month filled with impactful initiatives that embodied Rotary’s spirit of Service Above Self. Its major community service outreach was held at San Juan Elementary School in Sta. Rita, Pampanga, where the club successfully addressed six of Rotary’s seven Areas of Focus.

The team refurbished and reinstalled faucets at the school’s handwashing area and pledged to build a connecting roof in support of Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene (WASH). For Maternal and Child Health, vitamins and milk were distributed to parents and children. Health and Disease Prevention efforts included fluoride application and tooth extraction. A livelihood seminar on bag-making using recycled materials promoted both Economic Development and Environmental Care, while Basic Education was strengthened through dental hygiene lessons and the bag-making workshop.

The outreach concluded with a fellowship lunch at the ancestral home of PP Jossie in Sta. Rita, Pampanga.

Other highlights of the month included participation in the District Bloodletting Drive at Camp Crame; World Polio Day at Amoranto Arena, where free ice cream and souvenir mugs were distributed; and TRF Recognition Day at Seda Vertis North, where PP Jossie Dimarucut and UFG Juliana Yu were honored as Paul Harris Donors. The club also supported the Interact Leadership Academy, with eight delegates from the Interact Club of Don Quintin Paredes High School attending and learning servant leadership. Additionally, RC Greater Anonas continued its Breakfast Service for the 200 police trainees undergoing a six-month Values Education Enhancement Program led by The Living Epistle Church, with inspirational messages from Past District Governor Paul Galang.

The month concluded with a joyful Octoberfest Fellowship at the Manila Yacht Club—sealing OctoberBest as a shining reminder that Service Above Self truly makes every day a Rotary day.





ELDERLY FILIPINO WEEK: RCQQC EXTENDS HEALING HANDS, CARING HEARTS

BY BEN ROSARIO OF THE ROTARY CLUB OF QUIRINO-QC

The Senior Hall of Barangay Marilag focused on care and hope on October 4, 2025 as the Rotary Club of Quirino-QC (RCQQC) and the Marilag Senior Citizens Association (MSCA) held a Wellness and Early Disease Detection and Prevention Program in observance of Elderly Filipino Week.

For many seniors, it was more than a medical mission—it was a reminder that they are valued and remembered.

Rotarians Dr. Jeff Santos and Dr. Edgar Aguirre, both past presidents, offered free medical consultations and eye checkups, supported by volunteer nurses, medical technologists, and public health workers. Screenings included ultrasound, ECG, glucose and uric acid testing—services many seniors had not received in years.

Generosity fueled the mission. The Philippine Charity Sweepstakes Office (PCSO) and DOH-CALABARZON provided free medicines and vitamins, with PCSO donating ₱29,000 worth of medicines and OIC-Director Voltaire S. Guadalupe sending maintenance drugs for hypertension and diabetes. Despite being busy with Cebu earthquake relief, PCSO General Manager Mel Robles swiftly approved the request for medicines—demonstrating compassion in action. BioPharma Medical Solutions Inc. also lent equipment and expert technologists.

RCQQC Unite For Good President Gie Guillermo and MSCA President Ben Rosario welcomed every participant warmly. By day's end, the hall echoed with relief, gratitude, and renewed hope—proof that real healing begins with care from the heart. (Rotary Club of Quirino-QC Public Image Committee)

RC NEW MANILA EAST BRINGS SKILLS AND LIVELIHOOD TRAINING TO BARANGAY BAHAY TORO

BY ROTARY CLUB OF NEW MANILA EAST



The Rotary Club of New Manila East (RCNME) brought learning and livelihood opportunities to Barangay Bahay Toro through a Community Workshop held on October 25, 2025, at the barangay function room.

The workshop focused on teaching basic haircutting and sewing skills while introducing participants to potential income opportunities in T-shirt making. A total of 29 residents joined the event, gaining hands-on experience and

practical knowledge they can use to start small businesses and support their families.

Volunteer professionals—including a skilled haircutter and an experienced sewer—generously shared their expertise, providing participants with valuable direct training. To enhance the learning experience, an actual T-shirt printing demonstration was conducted using a printing machine, giving attendees a firsthand look at the design and production process.

To make the day even more enjoyable, breakfast and lunch were served, and a raffle of haircutting and sewing kits added excitement, with six lucky winners taking home starter tools.

This project was organized in partnership with Barangay Bahay Toro and Barangay Captain Medi Alcantara, under Rotary's Area of Focus: Community Economic Development.



RC DILIMAN INTERNATIONAL UNITED IN SERVICE EMPOWERED IN PURPOSE

BY MERRIAM ANGELA C. NARAWI OF THE ROTARY CLUB OF DILIMAN INTERNATIONAL

On October 16, 2025, the Rotary Club of Diliman International and the Rotary Club of Diliman Central, in partnership with the National Commission on Muslim Filipinos – South Luzon, the Municipal Government of Rodriguez, Rizal, and the Philippine Statistics Authority, conducted an advocacy campaign on Civil Registration and Vital Statistics (CRVS), Birth Registration, and National ID System Mobile Registration, alongside a Medical and Dental Outreach Program at Ynares Center II, Barangay Manggahan, Rodriguez, Rizal.



The initiative addressed a pressing need, as Rizal Province records one of the highest numbers of unregistered individuals in the country, making access to identity documents essential for social inclusion and public service delivery. Over 190 Muslim and non-Muslim residents received free medical, dental, and laboratory services, as well as assistance in birth and national ID registration.

The program also featured lectures on Peacebuilding, the Anti-Child Marriage Law (RA 11596), and PD 1083 (Code of Muslim Personal Laws). The latter was delivered by UFG President Atty. Merriam Angela Narawi, promoting awareness of Muslim rights and legal inclusion.

“Service becomes most meaningful when communities, civic groups, and government work as one,” shared UFG President Atty. Narawi. The activity exemplified how unity in service creates lasting impact and empowerment.



RC CUBAO EDSA SERVES WITH COMPASSION THROUGH 'WE CARE'



BY ROTARY CLUB OF CUBAO EDSA



Under the leadership of President Kevz Aquino, the Rotary Club of Cubao EDSA once again held its 6th-year signature project — the Cottolengo Filipino "We Care" Outreach Program.

This long-standing initiative holds a special place in the club's heart, embodying the true spirit of Rotary: caring for those who need it most. In line with Rotary's Areas of Focus on Maternal and Child Health, the club provided nutritious food, fruits, canned goods, breads, and even a wheelchair to support the special children of Cottolengo Filipino.

Additionally, under the Area of Focus on Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene (WASH), essentials such as deodorants, shavers, adult diapers, and fabric conditioners were distributed to promote dignity, cleanliness, and comfort for the children and their caregivers.

Through the years, this project has reminded the club that true service knows no bounds — that every act of kindness, no matter how small, can touch a life and spark hope.

Here's to more years of serving with compassion, empathy, and unwavering dedication. Together, RC Cubao EDSA continues to care, to serve, and to make a meaningful difference.



RC SFDM IN COMPASSION AND SERVICE

BY ROTARY CLUB OF SAN FRANCISCO DEL MONTE

The Rotary Club of San Francisco Del Monte (RCSFDM) continues to uphold its mission of Service Above Self through meaningful acts of compassion and service to the community. On October 14, 2025, a tragic fire in Barangay Sto. Domingo, Quezon City claimed the lives of three young siblings — John Matthew (10), Zach Daniel (7), and Zara Kathryn (5). In response, RCSFDM extended relief assistance through PP Dr. Manny Po and spouse Rtn. Dr. Nitz Po, with additional support from PDG Penny Policarpio and PP Joan Policarpio. On October 18, UFG President Perry Dominguez and PP/Secretary Mackie Hermosa personally visited the bereaved family to offer comfort, prayers, and donations — a heartfelt expression of Rotary care and solidarity.

Just days later, on October 24, RCSFDM, in partnership with the Rotaract Club of San Francisco Del Monte Malaya Achievers (RACMA), the Integrated Philippine Association of Optometrists, Inc. (IPAO), and sister club Rotary Club of Nagoya Wago (RCNW), held an Eyeglasses Distribution Project at San Francisco Elementary School. The Japanese delegation, represented by President Nobuharu Nakagawa, Secretary Seizo Hiragi, Treasurer Toshio Kawasaki, Kenji Yamasaki, Shigemitsu Yamahara, Shigeki Muto, and PP Tetsuzo Fukuda, added special significance to the event. Certificates of Appreciation were awarded to Dr. Nimfa Piñera, Dr. Yasmin Meribeles, Dr. Annee Escleto, Rtn. Jun Sta. Maria, and Rtn. Edna Novencido in recognition of their compassion and dedicated service.



RC KATIPUNAN BRINGS HEALTH AND HOPE TO SENIOR CITIZENS

BY ROTARY CLUB OF KATIPUNAN

Many senior citizens often miss their maintenance medications for hypertension, diabetes, and vitamin C due to financial constraints, mobility challenges, and limited caregiver support. Regular use of these medicines helps control blood pressure and blood sugar, reducing the risk of complications such as heart disease and stroke. Vitamin C, meanwhile, strengthens immunity, supports healing, and promotes healthy bones, skin, and blood vessels.

To address these barriers, the Rotary Club of Katipunan, in partnership with the Lung Health Alliance of the Philippines and the Quezon City local government, launched a monthly medicine distribution program, ensuring that seniors have access to essential care within their own communities.



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