

San Marino Rotary Charities | 2014-15

Rotary
District 5300



SAN MARINO ROTARY CHARITIES

<http://www.sanmarinorotary.org>

Message from the Club President

Dear San Marino Rotarians,

It was my pleasure to serve as President of the Rotary Club of San Marino for 2014-15 and I am pleased to help provide this annual report on San Marino Rotary Charities.

Our Rotary Club of 110 members provided support to community organizations and local schools as well as to international projects through our charitable 501(c) 3 non-profit, San Marino Rotary Charities.

Rotary Charities is mainly supported by our Rotary Club Members' contributions and from our Club's participation in the San Marino Motor Classic.

For 2014-15, Rotary Charities has distributed \$140,946 (budget was \$143,820). This resulted in a surplus of revenues over disbursements of \$2,445, which will be added to the Carryover Operating Fund going into 2015-16.

The 2015 Motor Classic funds, less purchase of tickets = \$103,289. This consists of the \$75,000 distribution directly from the Motor Classic, plus \$28,289 net proceeds from our ticket sales efforts.

The motor classic and our member dues enabled San Mario Rotary to support local and international projects. We should all be proud of all the local and international efforts (listed on our website: <http://sanmarinorotary.org/charitiesfoundation.html>).

2015 Facilities improvement of kindergarten in Tijuana, Mexico, Cataract surgery in Tijuana, Mexico, Defibrillators for El Salvador, Drinking Water Wells for Burkina Faso, Africa, Desks, Water Tanks and Latrine for Kabaale, Uganda.

The Annual Report highlights details on Rotary Charities' many charitable programs for 2014-15 that we have supported. Rotary Club members may contact the Charities' Chief Financial Officer for more detailed funding information.

We must continue to Light up Rotary and Be a Gift to the World,

Russ Osmonson

2014-15 San Marino Rotary Club President



Russ Osmonson
President of
"The Club that Makes a Difference"

San Marino Rotary Charities:

Mission Statement

San Marino Rotary Charities is the charitable-giving arm of the San Marino Rotary Club. It implements the charitable goals and directions of San Marino Rotary members, and supports the community, educational and international activities of the San Marino Rotary Club.

Vision Statement

The mission of San Marino Rotary Charities is to provide support and assistance to those who need it and in ways that will produce the maximum benefit to our community and throughout the world.

The support can be provided directly to individuals, families or small groups who are particularly needy or deserving, as approved by the Charities Board.

We also support intermediary non-profit organizations that have demonstrated commitment and ability to provide social, educational, athletic, vocational training and health services, predominantly in the San Gabriel Valley.

Rotary Charities serves our immediate communities and in avenues of service throughout the world.

--Adopted August 6, 2013



Check Presentation to
"Beat the Streets"

San Marino Rotary Charities Board Members:

Officers:

Deborah Herbert, President

Len Therrien, Secretary

Dennis Kneier, Chief Financial Officer

Russ Osmonson, Club President

Wayne Carter, Club Foundation Chair

Class of 2015:

Wray C. Cornwell

Bob Eichel

John S. Harris

Class of 2016:

Charles Rasmussen, Community/Schools Committee Co-Chair

Fang Ho, Mini Grants Committee Chair

Isaac Hung, Community Projects Committee Chair

Fred Sohl

Class of 2017:

Rachelle Gayl

Christine Franke

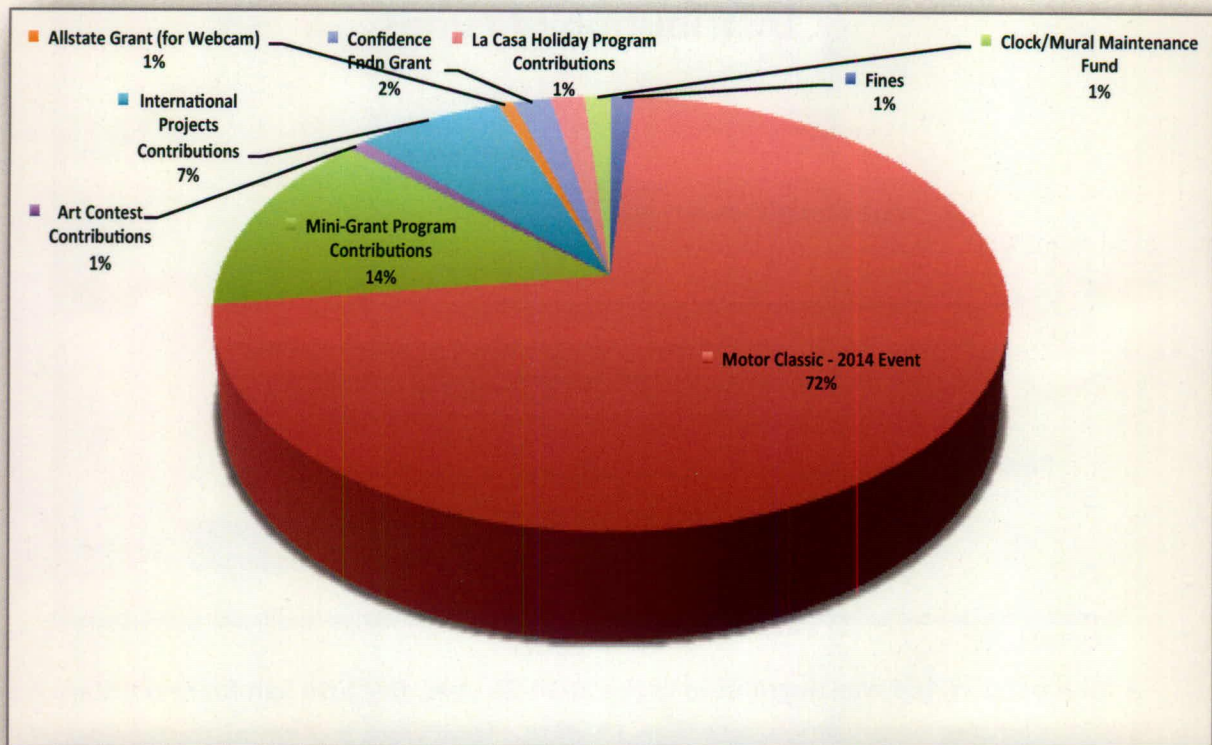
Roberta Gundersun, Community/Schools Committee Co-Chair

Michael Driebe, Endowment Advancement Committee Chair

Aaron Gil, Grants Disbursement Committee Chair

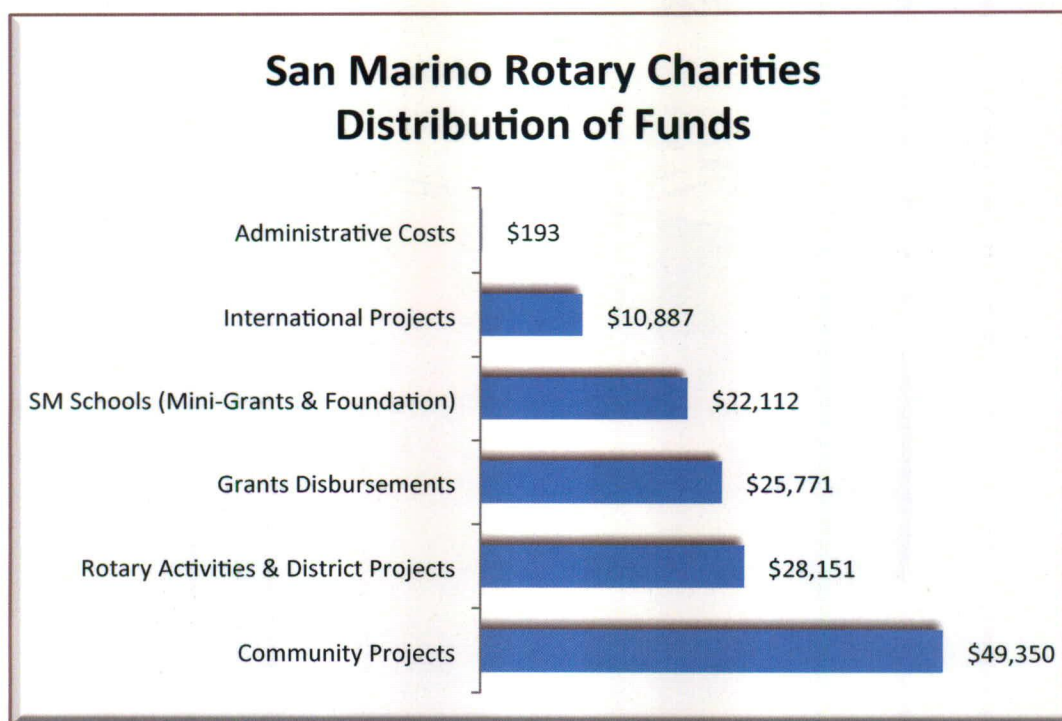
2014 – 15 Programs:

Summary of Revenue Sources:



The primary source of the charitable funds for distribution is the annual San Marino Motor Classic. This event raised over \$98,000 in 2014-15, setting a new record. San Marino Rotarians worked countless hours to promote, organize and actually work the event. The distribution of these monies becomes the primary responsibility of the San Marino Rotary Charities Board.

Summary of Overall Distribution of Funds:



A total of \$136,464 was distributed in the 2014-15 year. Because San Marino Rotary is a 100% volunteer organization, less than 1% of this total went to Administrative Costs. Of the total charitable funds distributed, 88% remained in the San Marino and nearby communities; 12% was used for international projects.

Funds are distributed through a variety of ways. Committees are appointed and charged with specific areas of concentration. These committees review funding requests to ensure that pre-established criteria are met. Committees then make recommendations to the Charities Board for final approval.

[Copies of the San Marino Rotary Charities Policies & Procedures are available upon request]

International Projects:

INTERNATIONAL PROJECTS	TOTAL DISBURSED 2014-15
Ophthalmic Eye Van	\$1,150
BCDC Uganda School Project	\$3,703
Mali Water Wells Project	\$1,250
Tijuana Med Ctr - cataract lens	\$400
Tijuana Kindergarten project	\$1,800
El Salvador defibrillators	\$2,584

TOTAL DISBURSED: \$10,887

- **Ophthalmic Eye clinic van in Kohlapur, India in conjunction with Walnut Valley Rotary Club - \$1,150**

This project is in conjunction with the Rotary Club of Walnut Valley to equip an Ophthalmic Van for the doctors in India to visit needy families in Kohlapur to provide vision checkups. It is anticipated that over 6,000 rural needy per year will benefit from this equipment.

- **Desks, water tanks and latrine project in Uganda - \$3,703**

BCDC was founded in 2009 to start a microcredit program in Uganda. During 2014, its microcredit services reached an additional 375 new families, so that in 2015 it is servicing 860 households in 21 villages. A team of 10 medical professionals from USA, with the help of Ugandan health workers, was able to treat and test 1,340 individuals in 2014. An elementary school for grades kindergarten to third grades opened in January 2015 to educate 120 children, who previously never attended school or attended one under a tree. San Marino Rotary provided funds to purchase the classroom desks, 3 water tanks and the materials to build a latrine.

- **Drinking water wells in conjunction with HMS Interact Club in Burkina Faso, Africa - \$1,250**

Members of the Interact Club of Huntington Middle School and San Marino Rotarians join hands with other Rotary Clubs in District 5300 to provide funds to build clean drinking water wells in impoverished Burkina Faso to reduce diarrheal diseases, blindness and parasitic organisms. The cooperating organization is One Drop, the Cirque du Soleil's water and sanitation charity.

- **Cataract surgery in Tijuana, Mexico - \$400**

On the request of the Rotary Club of Tijuana Milenio Minarete, San Marino Rotary has provided funds to purchase artificial lens and supplies for a cataract surgery to be performed at Advanced Medical Center for a patient in a disadvantaged community in Tijuana.

- **Kindergarten improvement project in Tijuana, Mexico - \$1,800**

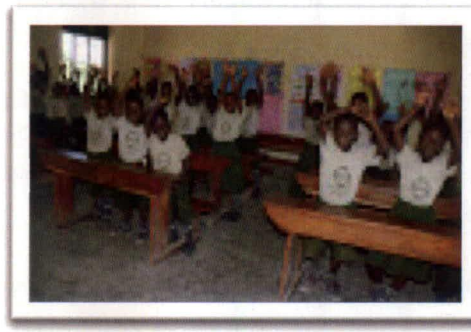
Raul Anguiano Kindergarten serves about 65 children in an extremely poor community in Tijuana. San Marino Rotary is working with the Rotary Club of Tijuana-Independencia to add a stairways with handrails to connect the different levels of the kindergarten, build a handicap access and a civic plaza with shaded roof. The project is expected to be completed in late July or August.

- **Defibrillators for El Salvador - \$1,434**

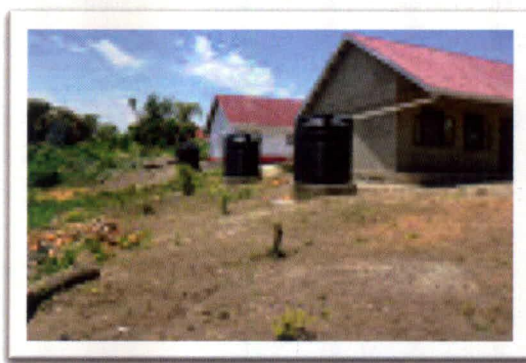
IMAHelps, established in 2000, arranges medical missions for doctors, dentists, nurses and other volunteers to serve impoverished people around the world. Isaac Hung, an active Rotarian and Past President of San Marino Rotary will be going on his second mission in August, and this time to El Salvador. A donation of 2 defibrillators has been made for this particular mission.



Uganda Students



Latrine



Water Tanks



Kennedy Classroom

San Marino Schools:

San Marino School Support	Total Disbursements 2014-15
SM Schools Foundation	\$2,000
SM Schools Fnd - Snap your Sign	\$1,000
SMHS Boosters Club	\$250
Mini-Grant Disbursements	\$18,862



TOTAL DISBURSED: \$22,112

The William "Bill" G. Steele, Jr. Mini-Grant program provides funding to schoolteachers with innovative programs to enrich student's classroom experience. These funds are awarded to schools that would not otherwise have sources of funding for the proposed classroom projects. All teachers at both public and private schools within the San Marino School District boundaries are eligible for Mini-Grants.



Once a project is complete, the teacher and student representatives are invited to present their project at a San Marino Rotary Club meeting.



Grants Disbursements:

GRANTS DISBURSED	TOTAL AMOUNT DISBURSED 2014-15
Villa Esperanza Services – aid with therapeutic swim program	\$1,656
Our Saviour Center- support homeless temporary and emergency shelter	\$1,000
Foothill Family Service – backpacks/school supplies for children	\$2,000
Mending Kids International – surgical treatments for children	\$2,500
Union Station Homeless Services – homeless family meal program	\$1,000
Harambee Christian Family Center – educational field trips for children	\$2,500
SM Historical Society – archival of local oral history recordings	\$700
Danny's Farm Charitable Foundation – assist with job opportunities	\$1,000
Convalescent Aid Society – medical equipment delivery truck	\$2,000
Assistance League of Arcadia – school uniforms, shoes and supplies for children	\$1,000
SGV Foundation for Dental Health – dental services for children	\$1,000
Friends of Foster Children – medical & educational activities for children	\$2,000
Special Olympics SGV – transportation, meals & uniforms	\$1,500
San Marino Grad Night – financial assistance for students	\$1,500
Angel Interfaith Network – support families with emergencies	\$1,500
Friends of the M. White Adobe – historic rehabilitation costs	\$500
SGV Humane Society – animal transportation vehicle	\$1,155
Hill Harbinson House – shade for outdoor youth programs	\$1,260

TOTAL DISBURSED: \$25,771

Round I of Funding

- Deadline for first grant period was November 14, 2014
- 22 grant requests were received, totaling \$87,626
- 8 Organizations were awarded, totaling \$12,356

Round II of Funding

- Deadline for first grant period was February 12, 2015
- 21 grant requests were received, totaling \$87,039
- 10 Organizations were awarded, totaling \$13,415

Other Highlights

- Utilized online surveys allowing committee members to rate requests from home
- Used meeting time to convey results from the survey and make final decisions as a committee
- Grants Disbursements Committee Members:

Fred Sohl
 Jeff Shimamoto
 Gilda Moshir
 Jean Brodhead
 Roberta Gundersen
 Lucille Norberg
 Dr Roberto Tostado

Chuck Miller
 Lois Derry
 Michelle Cox
 Rob Feidler
 Molly Woodford
 Aaron Gil

Rotary Activities:

This year San Marino Rotary Charities through Rotary Activity distributed \$28,151 to seventeen organizations, supporting various projects that indirectly help many. The majority of the support went to organizations and events that support education and leadership development for youth in area schools. Rotary's Four-Way Test is represented through disbursements like these.

ROTARY ACTIVITY	TOTAL DISBURSED 2014-15
4-Way Speech Contest	\$275
Dan Stover Music Contest	\$500
Rose Parade Float	\$500
San Marino Library	\$600
RYLA - sending attendees	\$3,000
TLC - sending attendees	\$3,000
SM Mid School Interact	\$1,649
SW Academy Interact	\$2,000
Vocational Program Support	\$300
Paul Harris Awards	\$2,000
So. Pas./ San Marino YMCA	\$1,600
Queen and Court	\$437
Rotary Readers	\$4,371
Art Contest	\$1,200
La Casa Holiday	\$1,220
District Projects	\$4,500
District 5100 - Rotoplast	\$1,000
TOTAL DISBURSED: \$28,151	



*Rotary Readers Presentation
Harambee School, Pasadena*

Community Projects:

COMMUNITY PROJECTS	TOTAL DISBURSED 2014-15
Clock/Mural Maintenance Expense	\$1,750
City Weather Station	\$1,000
Beat the Streets	\$10,000
Methodist Hospital	\$5,000
Lacy Park restrooms	\$10,000
Patrick's Tree - Lacy Park	\$5,000
PCC Veterans Clinic	\$15,000
Hope WW/La Casa MLK Project	\$1,000
SM Little League Banner Sponsor	\$600
TOTAL DISBURSED:	\$49,350

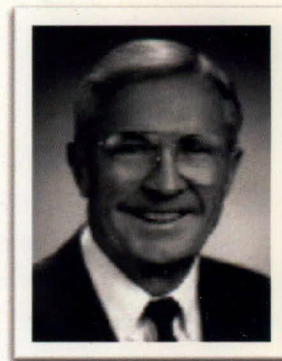
Unlike previous years, Rotary Charities in 2014-15 undertook to fund a number of lower scale projects rather than a single community project; among these projects were:

- Donated a Weather Station to the City
- Supported the Beat the Streets Program that provides wrestling instruction and equipment to middle school & high school age students
- Provided funding to upgrade the public restrooms at Lacy Park
- Contributed to the Patrick's Tree – a community based organization raising funds to provide improvements to the playground at Lacy Park
- Contributed funding to the PCC Veterans Clinic project, which is raising funds to build a dedicated education and employment center for military veterans at PCC
- Supported La Casa MLK Project in San Gabriel
- Sponsored a banner for the San Marino Little League program
- Upgraded exterior lighting for the Rotary Centennial Clock

Endowment Funds:

The William (Bill) G. Steele, Jr. Mini-Grant Fund

- The purpose of this fund is to provide annual support to the local schoolteachers' Mini-Grant program, which awards grants of \$500 for innovative classroom projects.
- The fund has reached its endowed funding level of \$400,000 and uses the earnings to perpetuate the program.
- The fund was created to honor long-time Rotarian Bill Steele who championed the Mini-Grant program.



The General Endowment Fund

- The purpose of this fund is to support the general charitable giving activities of Rotary Charities.
- The fund was created from a donation by a member of the San Marino Rotary Club.

Looking Forward:

San Marino Rotary Charities has grown to meet the responsibilities that come with managing its growing endowments and successful fundraising efforts. The 2014-15 year was focused on streamlining the budget, establishing clear policies for funding ongoing and one-time projects and needs, as well as updating existing policies and procedures. The 2015-16 Charities Board will focus on three main areas:

- Utilizing the processes put in place last year to distribute the funds raised from the 2015-16 Motor Classic
- Communicating the opportunity for Rotarians to contribute to the existing endowments to support both local and international projects through the Endowment Advancement Committee
- Review current Bylaws to ensure they still meet the needs of the organization

Come Join Us:

Rotary International:

Started by four Chicago professionals in 1905, Rotary International today has over 1.2 million members in 34,000 clubs and more than 200 countries, has a permanent non-voting seat in the United Nations, and is the world's largest NGO (non-governmental organization).

A global force for good, the diverse members of Rotary are working together in the interest of humanitarian service, building goodwill, spreading peace and having fun!

Rotary Club of San Marino:

The Rotary Club of San Marino was established in 1939 and has grown into one of the most active Rotary clubs in the San Gabriel Valley. Our club members are involved in the local community supporting organizations such as the San Marino public and private schools, La Casa de San Gabriel, YMCA and the Boy Scouts. We also honor community volunteers at our annual "Paul Harris Luncheon."

We actively support many programs for local youth include providing books to underprivileged children, presenting the Rotary Youth Leadership Awards to local high school juniors and the Teen Leadership Camp for local junior high school students.

The Rotary Club of San Marino invites interested prospective members to attend a regular lunch meeting, held every **Thursday at 12:10 p.m. at the San Marino Community Church, Fellowship Hall, 1750 Virginia Road, San Marino, CA 91108.** Parking is available in the lot south of the church. The meetings conclude by 1:30 p.m.

San Marino Rotary Charities:

The members of the Rotary Club of San Marino founded San Marino Rotary Charities in 1994 as a 501(c)3 non-profit to facilitate the tax deductibility of contributions made by members of the Rotary Club of San Marino and others for charitable, scientific, literary and educational purposes, including, without limitation, contributions to civic and charitable organizations and grants for educational and civic improvement purpose.

Visit our Rotary Club of San Marino website for more information:
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