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November 12, 2024 District Governor Sue Krahe-Archibald

The Rotary Foundation Month Topic: Grants

By Sue Archibald

The Rotary International Foundation has four grant programs that help solve the toughest problems in both the world and our communities.

These grants bring service project ideas to life.

1. **District grants** fund small-scale, short-term activities that address needs in your community and communities abroad.
2. **Global grants** support large international activities with sustainable, measurable outcomes in Rotary's areas of focus.
3. **Disaster response grants** support relief and recovery efforts in areas that have been affected by natural disaster.
4. **Programs of scale grants** fund intentional effort by Rotary members, in partnership with others, to expand proven program models within our areas of focus in order to benefit more people in more places and to foster lasting change.



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The Ride to End Polio is Saturday, November 23rd

The Ride to End Polio is a signature event for District 5500 in the annual El Tour de Tucson. And it's less than two weeks away!

You can visit the 2024 District 5500 Ride to End Polio [website](#) for details about how to participate, donate, support the riders and more.

New Post-Ride Gathering Area! Rainbow Rotary Club of Tucson is hosting the booth at the finish line. You'll find them one block from the finish line in a great spot to gather, share stories, eat, drink and reminisce. [Click here](#) for a map.



Pre-Ride Dinner Reservations Closing Soon



Gear up for a great ride at the Friday Night Pre-Ride Dinner!

Whether you're riding to end polio in the El Tour de Tucson or just want to show your support for this great cause, come join the excitement at Brother John's Bourbon and Barbecue.

An entertaining program is planned, plus great food, door prizes and fun Rotary fellowship. Plus it's a chance for you to meet **Rotary CEO John Hewko** and his wife **Marga**.

All for just \$50. [Click here](#) to register for the dinner, and do it soon, before registration closes.

USA-Mexico Friendship Conference and Global Grants Exchange

This annual event, which is in its 24th year and is attended by Districts from both the United States and Mexico, was held in the beautiful city of Xalapa, Veracruz, Mexico. A unique project-focused event, it's a chance to experience fellowship at its finest and to work on getting global grants funded.

There was even a Dia de los Muertos Gala. See the photo on the next page with DG Sue in the center (with the yellow flower crown).

Next year: Yuma!

District 5500 will be the host of the 2025 USA-Mexico Friendship and Global Grants Exchange Conference, which will be held in Yuma. Be sure to mark your calendars for October 30-November 1, 2025.



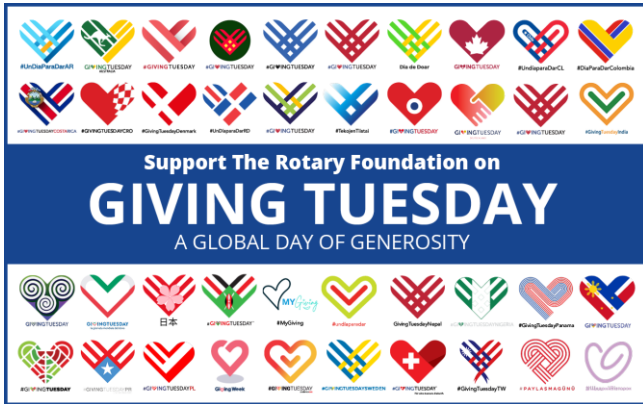
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The Rotary Foundation Annual FUND/Share

Get more bang from your giving buck by donating to the **Annual Fund/SHARE**. Your donation is invested and comes back to our district three years later.

We ask all Rotarians to make The Rotary Foundation one of their personal charities by giving at least \$10 a month through [Rotary Direct](#).

Mark your calendar for Giving Tuesday, December 3rd!



District 5500 Guatemala Collaborative Forum

Has your club supported or is engaged in projects in Guatemala? Why not consider helping us create a Rotary District 5500 Guatemala Collaborative Forum (a focused discussion group)?

As a part of the Guatemala Collaborative Forum (GCF), your club would join with the Rotary clubs of **Tucson Sunset** and **Oro Valley**, and other non-Rotary organizations in the Tucson Area in support of the people of Guatemala.

Rick Chimblo (RC of Oro Valley) and **Eugene Medina** and **PDG Diane Ventura-Goodyear** (RC of Tucson Sunset) want to increase interest in International Service throughout the District, one of **DG Sue Archibald's** Areas of Focus. [Read More](#)



Veterans Health Fair

Fri. Nov 15, from 9am – 3pm

Are you a veteran or know a veteran?

At this free event, you'll learn skills to live a healthier, happier life with chronic medical conditions. Classes will be offered on empowering you to understand chronic conditions and how to improve overall well-being.

Location: [Tucson VA Medical Center](#)
3601 South Sixth Avenue, Bldg. 4 Auditorium, Tucson
Follow signs as you enter through Ajo Gate.



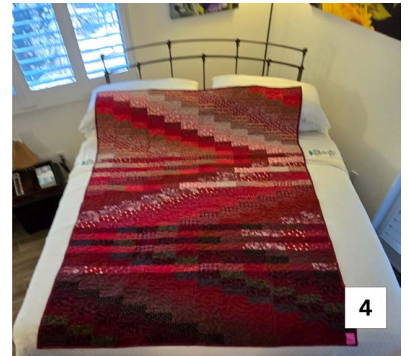
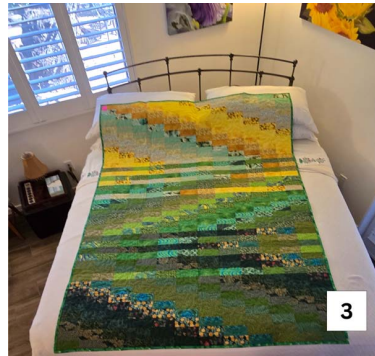
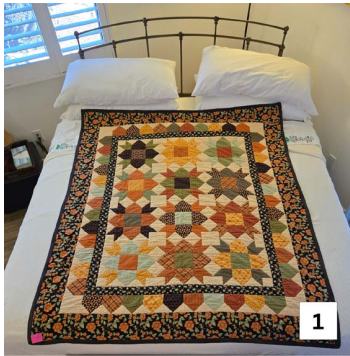
Cost: Free [Click here to register.](#)

SaddleBrooke Sunrise: Quilt Auction

SaddleBrooke Sunrise Rotary Club is auctioning off four quilts lovingly crafted by Grace Dettmann, the late wife of club member **Dave Dettmann**.

Proceeds from the auction will go to the Mammoth San Manuel (MSM) School District Education Foundation, which provides assistance to its elementary school teachers for supplies, and for books for its library.

To place your bid, email **Maggie de Block** at zonbeer@aol.com no later than Saturday, November 30.



Need a Speaker for Your Club Meeting?

CIC Tucson

The [Community Investment Corporation \(CIC\)](#), is an economic development nonprofit dedicated to empowering Pima County residents and the surrounding area. In 2024, CIC was named the region's "Vital Nonprofit" by the Community Foundation for Southern Arizona and was honored by the Tucson Metro Chamber of Commerce for "Best Innovation" related to their character-based lending programs for small businesses.

CIC Executive Director Danny Knee will enlighten your club as to how his organization promotes economic inclusion for all members of Southern Arizona, regardless of socioeconomic status. Specifically, he will demonstrate how CIC ensures that more people in our community can buy homes and get the funding they need to start, sustain, and grow their small businesses.

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Tajikistan International Book Project

By Tina LJ McGee



The Willcox Rotary Club supports Tajikistan students learning English by supplying them with books every year since 2016.

We could use your help.

The books we provide equip students for crucial exams such as the IELTS, TOEFL, GRE, and GMAT. These opportunities transform students' lives, enabling them to study abroad, return home, land excellent jobs, and achieve career success.

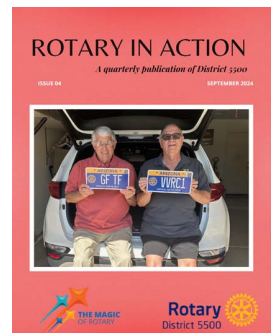
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November 15 is the Deadline for Your Rotary in Action Submissions

Let us showcase all the great work your club has been doing this past quarter.

Send us info about your club's service projects, fundraisers, or other accomplishments and we'll include it in next issue of Rotary in Action Quarterly, coming out in December 2024.

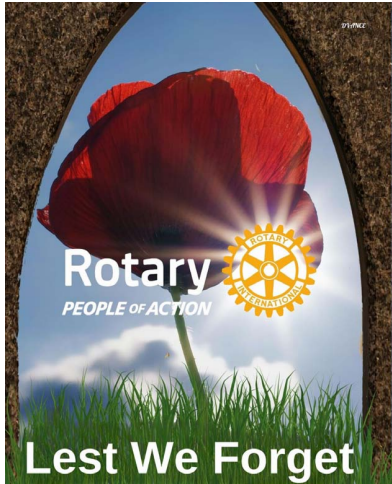
Fill out [this form](#), and email it along with photos to District Administrator Kasia at kasiarotary@gmail.com. Be sure to include captions for your photos.



Weekly Graphics Grab

Feel free to use these graphics in your club's newsletters, brochures, social media, and other promotional materials.

Pro Tip: Download the graphics into a folder on your desktop, then add to it every week for a personalized Rotary image library.



Oro Valley Rotary - Fashion Fusion Show

Friday, November 22 - 5:30-8:00pm at Tohono Chul Park

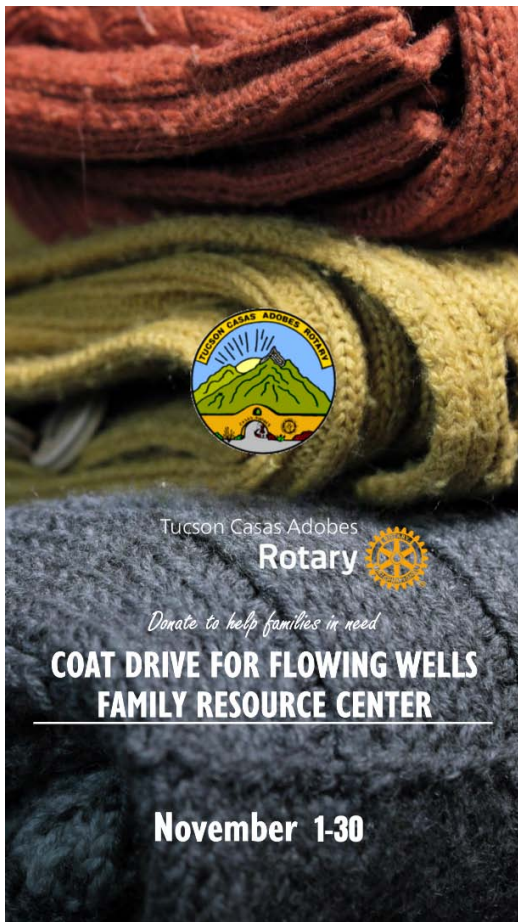
BNI Fashion Fusion Fundraiser Benefits The Springboard Home For Girls and the Rotary Vocational Fund of Arizona. For tickets and more info, [click here](#).



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Casas Adobes Rotary - Coat Drive

November 1-30



For more information, contact Frank Youdelman at youdel@aol.com

UA Rotaract - Yacht Rock Bingo

Tuesday, December 3 • 6-7:30pm

All hands on deck for our Yacht Rock themed Bingo Night Fundraiser! We'll be rolling the bingo wheel to Steely Dan, ABBA, The Eagles, and more all in the name of fun and raising money for our Period Poverty Project.

\$5 Per Bingo Card

Free for Rotaractors.

Chance to win spectacular prizes!

Yuma - Walt Kammann Sausage Fry

Friday, December 6 - 4:30-8pm

Buy your tickets [here](#)



Walt Kammann
FAMOUS SINCE 1958

SAUSAGE FRY
FRIDAY • DECEMBER 6
YUMA CIVIC CENTER
1440 W. Desert Hills Dr. Yuma, AZ
4:30 PM - 8:00 PM

TICKETS ONLINE \$15
FUNDS LOCAL SCHOLARSHIPS

**MUSIC • FOOD
DRINKS • PRIZES**



PURCHASE TICKETS at WWW.YumaRotary.org
FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY!

Yuma Rotary Club logo in top right corner.

RCOT - Multi-Club Bellingring for Salvation Army

Saturday, December 14th is fast approaching! We have a big day planned with a goal of raising \$8,000 for the Salvation Army. This will provide 5,500 meals to those in need over the holidays in our community.

We will be ringing the bell in two-hour shifts from 9am to 5pm. We have 8 doors and the goal is 1k per kettle.

We have openings in our grid. Come join us! [CLICK HERE](#) If you see an opening that will work for you, add your name in the blank in the location you've picked and it will automatically save it in the link.

Or you can call Dan Kalm—520-300-1293 or Tom Strasburg at 520-235-6163.



Mountain Empire Rotary - Chill & Grill

WIN! WIN! WIN!
[Click here](#) to enter

Chill & Grill



Freezer Full of Meat!

Win a varied selection of locally ranched meat.
One lucky winner will receive:

- Free standing, 5.0 cubic foot freezer
- More than 50 pounds of various cuts of meat
- At least one "grill" pack of beef steaks to be included

\$10

Donation

The Fine Print: Must be at least 21 years of age to purchase tickets. Total value approximately \$1,000. No more than 2,000 tickets will be sold. Winner need not be present to win. Winner responsible for prize pick up. Proceeds support Mountain Empire Rotary Club programs in our community. Drawing will be held Thursday, December 19, 2024.



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Mountain Empire Rotary Club



Share Your Club's News!

Would you like to publish your club's upcoming events, projects or fundraisers in **IMPACT?**

Fill out [this form](#) with your information and send it to kasiarotary@gmail.com by Friday for the following week's newsletter. Include your photo or graphic as a separate attachment as a jpg or png file.

PLUS...SHOWCASE YOUR PAST PROJECTS & FUNDRAISERS! We'll feature them in our **Rotary in Action Quarterly**. The deadline for the December issue is November 15, 2024.

Use [this form](#) and send it to kasiarotary@gmail.com. **Don't forget to include photos -- the more the merrier!**

