

# MOVING FORWARD

PRESIDENT'S REPORT
JULY 2020 - JUNE 2021



**Seattle - International District** 

Together, we see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change — across the globe, in our communities, and in ourselves.

# LOOKING BACK



What a year - that would be the simple way of describing it.
We began the Rotary year in the midst of

an unprecedented pandemic that saw us definitively sidelined at home for the entirety of the Rotary year.

With limited opportunities to be out in the local community that we serve, we found ourselves with the enormous challenge of adapting and reimagining the way the club operated. During the year, what started as a general wanting to get back to the way things were quickly shifted to moving towards where we knew we should be. We came to see that the challenge wasn't having to

divert from our old way of doing things. The challenge was adapting more quickly to a new way of doing things.

We leveraged our virtual speakers programs to continue engaging more with the community and pushed forward with our usual club work - albeit in different forms. More importantly, though, we took this time to reimagine our club and took actions to make it more accessible, inclusive, and diverse than ever. In this report, you will see not only a recap of the year, but also that renewed focus on the future.

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- Henry Wong, President 2020-21





The aftermath of the George Floyd tragedy brought about a renewed stand against racial injustice. We began the Rotary year in the midst of lengthy discussions about our role, and Rotary's role, in support of racial justice. In July, the Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee formed as an ad hoc committee of the Board of the Rotary Club of Seattle - International District. The purpose of the Committee was to draft a statement on racial diversity, equity, and inclusion for the Club's membership to approve and to recommend an Action Plan based on that statement. Further, it was charged with overseeing the implementation of that Action Plan by the Club.

That Action Plan had three categories of goals: education/learning, membership, and internal club operations. Goals for *Education & Learning* included having at least half of our speakers bring us info and opportunities in the local DEI space. As to *Membership*, we were to keep a census of members and focus on finding new members who could increase our diversity. As to *Internal Club Operations*, we decided not to recite the pledge of allegiance since, at this time, there is no justice for all of us and also with the recognition that, with Rotary being an international organization, not every member/future member is an American citizen. With *Internal Club Operations*, we were also committed to considering our community and international projects through a DEI lens.

Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion became, and will continue to be, central to everything we do as a club.

- Invite local community leaders as speakers to learn more about racial justice
- Participate in District and Interact Meetings on Racial Justice
- Conduct book group and table discussions/breakout rooms
- Research and maintain diversity census of the Club



All club meetings this 2020-21 Rotary year were conducted virtually. While an adjustment at first, we found that virtual meetings were much more accessible for speakers. With speaker programming, we continued to focus on gaining a better understanding of the work that other organizations and groups are doing in the community that we serve and exploring ways in which we might work together. We had an amazing line-up of diverse speakers and we hope that many of these relationships will continue in the future as new club members or working partnerships!

# SPECIAL THANKS TO THE 2020-21 GUEST SPEAKERS!

**Eleanor Vogelsang** - CloseUp Foundation

David Heppard - Freedom Project

Patrice Bell - NW African-American Museum

Hailey Gray - Justice for Girls Coalition of Washington State

Esther Lucero - Seattle Indian Health Board

Denise Moriguchi | Miye Moriguchi - Uwajimaya

Rick Newell - M.U.S.T. (Mentoring Urban Students & Teens)

Corey Johnson - Imagine Scholar

Megan Hastings | Nina Marini - Asheshi University Foundation

Nyema Clark - Nurturing Roots

Catherine Gibson – Rotary District 5030 District Governor

**Ana Mari Cauce** - University of Washington

Dr. Ayanna Gore - Summit Sierra Public School

**Assunta Ng** - Northwest Asian Weekly

**Kim Arent** - The Max Foundation

Mike Sellars - Boxers with Parkinson's Association & Research Project

Leda Chahim | Stephen Mak | Jesseca Brand | Alexis Lair - Sound Transit

Kim-Khanh Van - Renton City Council

Josh Castle – Low Income Housing Institute (LIHI)

Carolyn Bain | Jennifer Hoock - Guatemala Village Health

Kent Koth - Seattle University

Sheila Edwards Lange, PHD - Seattle Central College

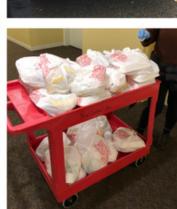












Delivering
Groceries and Hot
Meals to hundreds
of CID residents in
partnership with
ACRS, SCIDpda, and
local restaurants
during the Holidays









# International Projects Supported







Creating Opportunity through Rural Education





New Dawn Guatemala





# 2020-21 HIGHLIGHTS



### THE ROTARY FOUNDATION

- \$6,198 Donated to The Rotary Foundation Annual Fund by Club Members
- **\$925** Donated to The Rotary Foundation Polio Plus Fund
- EREY Every Rotarian Every Year (donation by every member to the Annual Fund
- 7 Paul Harris Recognitions (for cumulative donations of \$1000 and at each additional \$1000 level beyond)



### SCHOLARSHIPS & YOUTH SERVICE

- 4 x \$2,000 Scholarships (Named) awarded from Club Endowment Fund to deserving high school students
- 1 x \$2,400 Scholarship awarded from the Jim Osborn Memorial Fund
- 2 x \$2,000 Scholarships (Supplemental) awarded from club member donations
- 1 Rising High School Junior sent to Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA) leadership conference (virtual)



### **MEMBERSHIP**

- **25 Active Members** at Year End (1 moved to Honorary Rotarian status, 2 New members, 1 Member transfer, 1 resignation)
- Completed Diversity Census and Membership Survey for club operational planning

Members	Aug 2020	Dec 2020
Total	27	26
Gender		
Female	11	12
Male	16	14
Ethnicity		
African/Af American	2	2
Asian – all	11	10
Caucasian	13	13
Multiple	1	1

Members	Aug 2020	Dec 2020
Age		
Under 30	0	1
31-40	4	4
41-65	9	8
65+	14	13
Work Status		
Paid employment	14	15
Retired	10	8
Other	3	3

# 2020-21 HIGHLIGHTS



### **COMMUNITY SERVICE**

- \$750 Rotary Disaster Response Grant to Asian Counseling & Referral Service (ACRS) in support of Food Bank operations
- \$750 Urgent Community Needs Grant to Low Income Housing Institute (LIHI) to provide move-in essentials for two low-income housing openings
- **\$2,000 Sponsorship** of Washington State Latinx Youth Innovation Challenge event
- Hot Meal & Grocery Deliveries during November and December Holidays with ACRS and SCIDpda
- \$6,950 Fundraising Campaign Raise for supporting LIHI's Clay Apartments project opening



## INTERNATIONAL SERVICE

- \$800 New Dawn Guatemala water system training
- **\$1,000** to Senegal Village project (Bellevue RC) for food security, clean water, & economic development
- \$1,500 to Tusubira YANA Secondary School library
- **\$2,000** to "You Can, Kid!" Rehab Centers in Russia
- \$1,000 to Peace Tress Vietnam global grant (Lake Forest RC)
- **\$700** to New Dawn Guatemala for start of Clean Water access project





# 2020-21 Paul Harris Recognitions:

(pictured) Shannon Woodman, Bill Nagel, David Goldsmith (not pictured) Julie Hungar, Paul Mar, Jim Kern, Lloyd Hara



# MOVING FORWARD

# \*NEW CLUB PRESIDENT PRESS RELEASE!\*.





**Dr. Julie Hungar** 

In 1984 the Rotary Club of Seattle-International District began serving the Chinatown International District of Seattle with the intention of serving the broad range of people in this diverse area of the city. From then to now, community leaders of the area have assembled under the banner of Rotary in an effort to exchange ideas and take action to improve the lives of neighbors in need. The Rotary Club of Seattle-International District is pleased to announce that the president of the 2021-22 Rotary year will be Dr. Julie Hungar, who is retired from the Seattle Community Colleges and first became a member of the club in 1986.

When asked about the opportunity to lead the service organization, she said, "It is a sincere honor to be at the helm of an organization that has done so much for those in need here in Seattle and for people around the world via Rotary International. Rotary is an organization composed of 1.2 million leaders and action takers around the world, and I am proud to be the president of this club. Preceding me was Past President, Henry Wong, and he left extremely big shoes to fill, but with the help of our club's leadership, I'm confident that together we will be able to address the needs of the important causes our club supports."

"The Rotary Club of Seattle-International District is accepting new members," according to Membership Chair, Victoria Do. She added, "We are always looking for community leaders who will exchange ideas and take action to represent our community with diversity, equity, and inclusion that are hallmarks of Rotary and our club."



# A PLAN FOR THE FUTURE

The Rotary Club of Seattle-International District unites a diverse group of professionals who take action to create lasting change at home and around the world, increase diversity and equity, and promote social justice in collaboration with others in the Greater Seattle community, with a focus on serving the International District, Central District, Pioneer Square, SODO, and South Seattle.

# NEW MEETING FORMAT

# VIRTUAL CLUB MEETINGS

Club will meet virtually the 1st, 3rd, and 5th Thursday of each month from 11:30am-1:00pm

# VIRTUAL BOARD MEETINGS

Board will meet virtually twice a month on the Fridays of the off-weeks after the 1st and 3rd virtual club meetings from 12:00-1:00pm

# MONTHLY IN-PERSON FELLOWSHIP DINNERS

Monthly Fellowship
Dinners the Wednesday
before the 1st and 3rd
virtual club meeting
weeks from 6-7:30pm.
No work - Just Fun &
Fellowship!

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# FLEXIBLE MEMBERSHIP DUES OPTIONS



STANDARD MEMBERSHIP

(36 YEARS & OLDER)



STANDARD MEMBERSHIP

(30-35 YEARS OLD)



STANDARD MEMBERSHIP (UNDER 30) | ROTARACT DUAL-MEMBER

\$600

FAMILY MEMBERSHIP | SMALL BUSINESS MEMBERSHIP (1-50)

(INCLUDES 2 MEMBERS)

\$140

MEMBERSHIP FOR EACH
ADDITIONAL (BEYOND 2 MEMBERS)

\$880

LARGE BUSINESS MEMBERSHIP (51+)

(INCLUDES 3 MEMBERS)

\$140

MEMBERSHIP FOR EACH
ADDITIONAL (BEYOND 3 MEMBERS)

- DUES SHOWN ARE ANNUAL (ROTARY YEAR RUNS 7/1-6/30); PRO-RATED
- MINIMUM AGE TO JOIN CLUB IS 18 YEARS OLD
- CLUB INITIATION FEE (ONE-TIME) = \$50 | CLUB RE-JOINING FEE = \$0

# STRATEGIC PLAN



# **VIRTUAL CLUB MEETINGS - BUSINESS/SPEAKER**

Inform and involve all members in decisions and activities of the club, the district, and Rotary International. Welcome speakers from a wide variety of organizations focused on contributing to the community and the world and that offer opportunities to participate or to enrich our lives.



### **IN-PERSON MEETINGS - FELLOWSHIP**

Enjoy relaxed time with club members and their families. Invite members of other clubs to join us for fellowship and to encourage collaboration.



### **CLUB SERVICE**

Engage individuals and agencies who share the values and direction of our community and international service programs as well as other community and international issues. Invite representatives of business, the arts, sports and other elements of community life.



### **COMMUNITY SERVICE**

Lead projects and activities geared to the needs of our service area, grounded in diversity, equity, and inclusion and focused on: ECONOMIC RECOVERY, PUBLIC SAFETY, FOOD SECURITY, & HOUSING, EDUCATION



## INTERNATIONAL SERVICE

Conduct joint ventures with Rotary International and other Rotary clubs for projects in underdeveloped areas of the world in the service of peace, with a focus on: EDUCATION, HEALTH, WATER, & FOOD SAFETY

# STRATEGIC PLAN

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# **VOCATIONAL SERVICE**

Provide scholarships that support the career advancement of students who need additional assistance to be successful in college.

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### YOUTH SERVICE

Support the service activities and growth of the Seattle University Rotaract Club through joint projects and fellowship.

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## THE ROTARY FOUNDATION

Contribute to the Rotary Foundation with 100% participation.

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## **MEMBERSHIP**

Increase our ability to carry out service by bringing in new members and retaining current members.



### **FUNDRAISING**

Provide support for club projects through events, grant-writing and collaboration with other clubs and outside organizations and businesses.

# Thank you to all our members, families, fellow Rotarians, partners, and friends for the continued support!





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# In Memoriam



# MARCIA CAROL USHIMARU JAN 1954 - DEC 2020

The ripples of Marcy's journey through life would be present at the memorial service and beyond: her family, friends, and neighbors new and old near and far, watercolor artists' community, communities of developmentally disabled friends, stray and orphaned animals, and those who are facing life's challenges. All of us, humans and animals, will continue to live and be kind to one another in her honor. Ripples can be seen in all of us and those to whom we will be telling stories about our beloved Marcy in years to come.