

Africa Projects- Liberia and Kenya



Our African objectives

Our goals in both Liberia and Kenya focus on water and sanitation (which go together), housing for those impacted by AIDS and helping the advancement of economic opportunity through business development and micro credit.

Infant mortality in Africa is driven mostly by the dysentery from bad water. Our goals are to generate new water projects (similar to those we did in Tanzania) to provide wells and clean water to improve overall sanitation. Our trip in March, 2024 will focus on project development, partner identification and a strategy for implementation.

In Kenya, we will build houses within the Massai culture for women and their families impacted by AIDS. This will include the construction of Manyatta structures, tribal leadership blessing and the provision of the houses to the afflicted women.

In Liberia, we are working to advance business development for female entrepreneurs to become bee keepers to produce honey and associated products.



Nairobi, Kenya

- Our focus in Kenya will be on project development and housing construction.
 - We will build mud houses in a Massai Village for women afflicted with AIDS.
 - Our project development will focus on water and sanitation projects. We will meet with NGO's working in this area, identify possible projects and begin a formal relationship with local Rotary Clubs for international projects.
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Heart of Africa- Kenya

HEART will serve as our NGO partner in the identification of local water and the construction of houses for AIDS afflicted women. Our base will be Nairobi and include 14 day tours and project work in March, 2024.

- Tour Projects- Travel to Nairobi for service and project development.
 - Teams of 6
 - 14 Days touring and assisting Heart Projects
 - Collaboration with Soroptimist
 - Housing construction (Manyatta) and Massai graduation and blessing.
- Project Development
 - Rotary Teams in Africa to find and develop larger projects specifically water and sanitation.
 - [Heart of Africa](#) for more information.



HEART

Empowering the People of Africa to Survive and to Thrive Beyond the HIV/AIDS Pandemic



WHO WE ARE

WHAT WE DO

GET INVOLVED

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All donations are 100% US tax deductible and go towards fulfilling the mission of HEART.



WELCOME TO HEART!

HEART is a Christian, faith-based organization with many opportunities for you to **get involved** and make a difference.

You can join a **missions team** on a two-week working trip in Kenya. You can become an **intern** at our ministry in Kenya. If you can't come to Africa, you can still experience our work by **investing** your time, talents, and resources. We would love for you to partner with **HEART**. Together, there is no limit to how many broken lives we can transform in Africa.



Since the foundation of our ministry February 14th 2000, HEART has hosted over 1,000 volunteer team members on two-week mission trips to Kenya. HEART teams consist of men, women, and youth interested in serving and experiencing a new culture through their time and talents. Some teams are from community organizations or church groups, while others have a medical or construction focus. What all of these teams share is a desire to bring hope to an area badly affected by the AIDS pandemic and other diseases.

We would love for you to come to Kenya and fall in love with the Kenyan people. It will change your life forever!

Most team itineraries include:

- Build a home for a WEEP graduate and her household
- Visit WEEP centers in the slums and rural settings
- Conduct health, wellness, or spiritual seminars
- Visit schools and participate in sports with students
- Provide food to families in need
- Go on Safari

Liberia- Business Development and Micro Credit

- This is a collaborative project between the Rotary Club of Auburn and the Rotary Club of Victoria, BC (Harborside). The program is facilitated by the Universal Outreach Foundation and is a business development program teaching entrepreneurs bee keeping and honey production for retail. Funding is a partnership in conjunction with other private sources.
- In this presentation, I have included the presentation from Kristi Philpott, our lead partner from the Harborside Rotary Club on the bee program.



VICTORIA HARBOURSIDE ROTARY BEEKEEPING IN LIBERIA

KRISTI PHILPOTT: MAY 24, 2023



WORLD BEE DAY: MAY 20, 2023



- Pollination is fundamental to the survival of our ecosystems
- UN calls for global action to support pollinator friendly agricultural production
- Protect bees and other pollinators
- Raise awareness

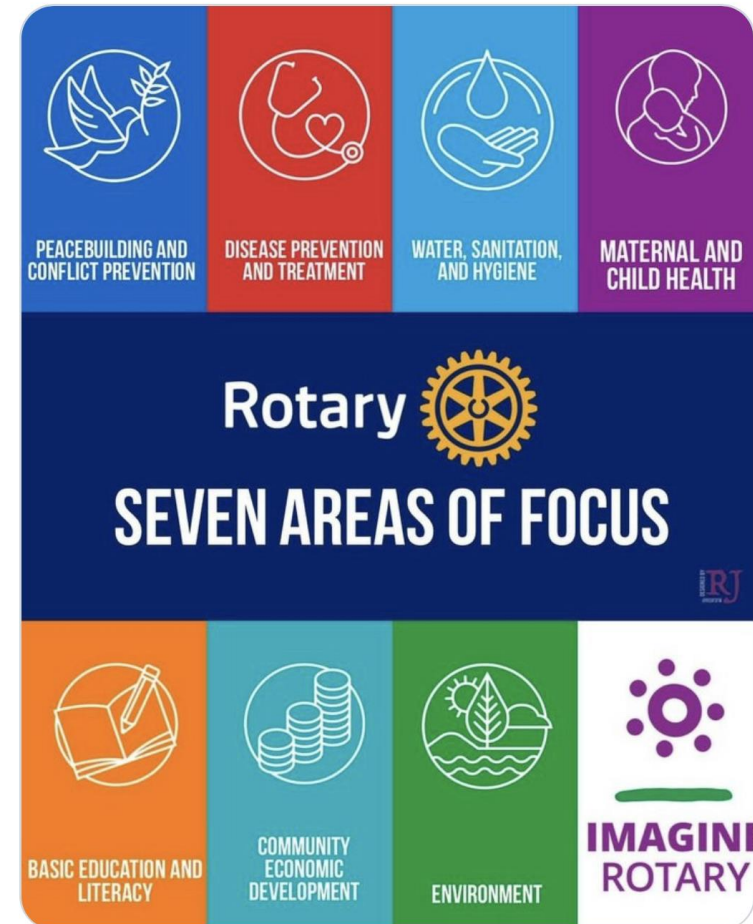
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ROTARY INTERNATIONAL GOALS



1. Peace
2. Fight Disease
3. Clean Water, Sanitation and Hygiene
4. Mothers and Children
5. Education and Literacy
6. Grow Local Economies
7. Environment

”Courage my friends; it’s not too late to build a better world” Tommy Douglas



LIBERIA: WHERE & WHY?



One of the poorest countries in the world.

Universal Outreach Foundation: Trusted NGO

Equal opportunity (Mothers & Children)

Supports existing agriculture (Environment & Grow local economies)

UN: By 2034 more African youth (19-24) will be entering the workforce than the rest of the world combined

PROJECT GOALS (YEAR I)



Year I: July 2021 – May 2022

Create an annual supplemental income through sale of honey
Equal opportunity for women
Community development

10 beekeepers in Kpagamai (Lofa County)
Supply equipment
Construct 60 hives
Monthly mentorship
Grow the program

Club \$2000 + District \$3500 + PUC \$1500

INITIAL TRAINING (AUG 2021)



Jarbor-Jarkei (Talk & Do) Beekeepers Association of Kpagamai



YEAR I: SUCCESSES



- + 69 hives built
- + 16 colonized
- + 70 more beekeepers joined
- + building hives from materials on hand
- + honey reached 60% capacity in March



YEAR I: CHALLENGES & LEARNING



- Deaths due to COVID
- No honey harvest (bees ate it!)
- Expectations set too high
- Distance

Key take aways

- More people with fewer hives
- Communication differences
- More oversight at harvest time
- Tracking over 3 years



PROJECT GOALS (YEAR 2)

Year 2: June 2022 to May 2023

Expand Lofa County to 5 more communities

Build their own hives

Provide 200 top bars & zincs

Bi-monthly training

Start a program in Margibi County

10 men & 10 women

Provide hives (3 each) & equipment

Monthly mentorship

Club \$7675 + District \$5000 + PUC \$1500



YEAR 2: GROWTH



- 140 beekeepers in Lofa County
- 5 communities
- March = 12.2 gallons
- Feb = 18.5 gallons
- Harvest continues to July

- 22 beekeepers in Margibi County
- 25 colonized hives
- No harvest yet

SUCCESSSES (YEAR 2)



- Honey! 30.8 gallons so far
- 21 beekeepers harvesting
- \$520 USD as of March
- First female beekeeping extension worker in Liberia
- Growth
- Self sustaining
- Some honey used for personal consumption

TRENDING THIS WEEK



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Angelina Jolie is working with UNESCO and Guerlain on a Women for Bees initiative that will ultimately build 2,500 bee hives and restock 125 million bees by 2025 —while training and supporting 50 women beekeepers in their own operations. In March 2021, Dan Winters photographed Angelina using the same technique Richard Avedon employed for his iconic portrait, "The Beekeeper" over 40 years ago. <https://on.natgeo.com/3Org3ql>





HARBOURSIDE, ROTARY AND UNIVERSAL OUTREACH

<  **Kristi Philpott** is with **Gord Clark** and **8 others**.
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Harbourside Rotary has partnered with Universal Outreach Foundation in Liberia to train and equip farmers in beekeeping practices. So far we have built 343 hives with 162 trained beekeepers in 6 different communities. 95 of them are female. We have also trained the first woman beekeeper trainer (extension worker) in that country. And the program continues to grow! Beekeeping targets the poorest people in the country (average earnings are \$1.70 USD per day). Harvested honey can be used as food or sold to create an annual supplemental source of income. Those funds are used for education, healthcare or to improve their farm. Do you want to learn more? Join us ([Harbourside Rotary Victoria](#)) for breakfast at the Victoria Union Club 7am this Wed. Or check out [Universal Outreach Foundation](#)



KORMASSA JOEFFEY (2 GALLONS)



My name is Kormassa Joeffey, a beekeeper from Kpakamai. I want to say thank you to **KARWING**

KORPO ZUMA KPAZE (FIRST GALLON)



RUEBEN JALLAH (3 GALLONS)



YEAR 3: JUNE 2023 – MAY 2024



Proposal (Year 3)

Top bars & zincs for 200 hives

Continue mentorship:

Lofa County 4 visits per year

Margibi County 6 visits per year

Total = \$8060.25 USD

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Other Clubs?

District Grant in July?

QUESTIONS? COMMENTS?



Thank you Rotararians!