

ROTARY NEW ZEALAND WORLD COMMUNITY SERVICE



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Samoa & Tonga – contact info@rnzwcs.org

HUMANITARIAN RELIEF AND SUPPORT

CYCLONE MAILA - SOLOMON ISLANDS, BOUGAINVILLE

Rotary Australia World Community Service
(RAWCS) Appeal

Maila, a Tropical Cyclone lingered for days during April in the Solomon Sea causing severe damage and devastation to infrastructure and villages in the Western Province of the Solomon Islands before slowly tracking West to cross Bougainville again causing severe damage and devastation to roads, buildings and villages as it crossed the island of Bougainville. Cyclone Maila continued to slowly track west, and although decreasing in intensity, it continued to bring damage and devastation to isolated islands in the Milne Bay Province of PNG. Communities need assistance with widespread damage to buildings and communities including bridge infrastructure and access roads. The aim is to assist individuals, families and communities who sustained damage and were victims of the cyclone. RAWCS appeal will fund projects established by Rotary Clubs in the affected areas in Solomon Islands, Bougainville and PNG.

Donate: RNZWCS Limited Westpac Account

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VALEDICTORY – ROB WAYNE



Rotary lost a good friend and colleague who died in March aged 60. Rob had been engaged by RNZWCS during the past 15 years to assist in preparation of Concept Notes, Designs and Reports and had visited Rotary activities in Fiji, Tonga, India and Tanzania.

PROJECT CORNER

FOUR CLIMATE CHANGE ADAPTION ACTIVITIES

VANUATU

Part of the longer-term recovery resilience development projects in the wake of the devastating earthquake on 17 December 2024, Port Vila Rotary is focused on the Rongdal and Mamau villages on the east coast of Efate Island,

Schools in Vanuatu are critical hubs for both education and community security and safety in times of disaster events, including the need to address food insecurity.

The project has been developed with Field Ready local partners Atoll Aqua, local food processing and preservation business Fine Foods Vanuatu and Rotary New Zealand World Community Service, RAWCS and Port Vila Rotary.

The Rongdal School project is piloting a school-based food processing and preservation facility, enabling use of excess crops during good harvest periods to be stored in a nutritious and simple preparation form. The product has strong potential as a value-added product for domestic or export sales as a high nutrition gluten-free wheat pasta alternative creating economic opportunities.

This project component co-funded through Rotary is part of a larger vision to develop a root crop pasta manufacturing supply chain in Vanuatu.

Students and community members bring their produce to be processed, enabling them to gain income while learning practical skills in processing, packaging and quality control.

TONGA

The principal focus of this Activity is adaption to Climate Change. Funded by MFAT, Managed under Contract by Rotary New Zealand World Community Service this NZ\$1,518,770 activity supports the International Development Cooperation (IDC) priority area of increased economic and food security benefits from agriculture and demonstrates improved outcomes for the area of Human Development (Health). The Activity demonstrates the IDC Program principals of being Effective, Inclusive, Resilient and Sustained. The Activity supports the improvement and protection of the country's biodiversity and works to increase the nation's food security by enhancing the country's capacity to manage a sustainable, climate resilient seed production system.

Key measures of success of the Activity are demonstrated by:

- **Enhanced resilience to climate change:** by developing and disseminating climate-resilient seed varieties, the Activity enables farmers to adapt to changing climatic conditions and reduce vulnerability.
- **Increased availability of quality seeds:** The Activity ensures a steady supply of high-quality seeds, leading to improved agricultural productivity and crop diversity in Tonga.
- **Contribute significantly to food & nutrition security:** By increasing quality seeds and community production of nutritional foods, communities reduce dependency on imported highly processed foods. Women, people with disability, elderly and children have improved diets.
- **Provide diversified livelihoods for women:** Improved opportunities for women to diversify livelihoods from handicrafts to sell surplus of vegetables.

SAMOA

The Rotary Club of Apia, in partnership with Samoa's Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment (MNRE) and local villages, is actively restoring mangroves to combat climate change, notably through the "Nono'a Mangrove Restoration Project" in Saleimoa. The village, in collaboration with MNRE, is working towards establishing a specialised space where plants will be grown in their early stages of development, from germination until they reach the appropriate size to be transplanted. The village is primarily focused on maintaining and cleaning the reserve as well as the goal to restore coastal ecosystems and protect against storm surges. The project works closely with local village matais (chiefs) and committees, involving community members in working bees and mangrove maintenance. The Rotary Club of Pago Pago in American Samoa is also active in planting mangrove seedlings and cleaning up the Parks and Lagoon areas.

TANZANIA

The Rotary Club of Moshi in Tanzania actively addresses climate change and environmental degradation in the Mount Kilimanjaro region through community projects, tree planting, and water management. Their actions aim to mitigate the impacts of deforestation and climate change that affect local water security. The club focus is environmental sustainability planting trees at local schools, e.g. 110 trees planted at Kilototoni Primary School. The club has installed rainwater harvesting systems, e.g. Stefan Moshi Memorial University College, to address water scarcity. Recognizing that deforestation around Mt. Kilimanjaro causes reduced rainfall and threatens water supplies for over a million people, the club supports initiatives to strengthen natural ecosystems. Numerous projects upgrading toilet and hand washing facilities with clean running water have been **funded through RNZWCS and its New Zealand Donor supporters,**

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AMBULANCE FOR THE PEOPLE OF SAMOA



The Wellington Free Ambulance Sponsorship has been made possible through Rotary New Zealand World Community Service Donors and the long-standing partnership with the Rotary Club of Apia. Thanks to Rotary Club of Port Nicholson and to their supporters incl. Wellington Tech. for facilitating the preparation of the vehicle including repainting, panel work and delivery to the Port of Tauranga and to Swire Shipping for its delivery to Samoa. His Excellency Mr Afamasaga Faamatalaupu Toleafoa, High Commissioner for Samoa in Wellington received the vehicle from Dame Kerry Prendergast, Chair of Wellington Free Ambulance.

MORE INFORMATION

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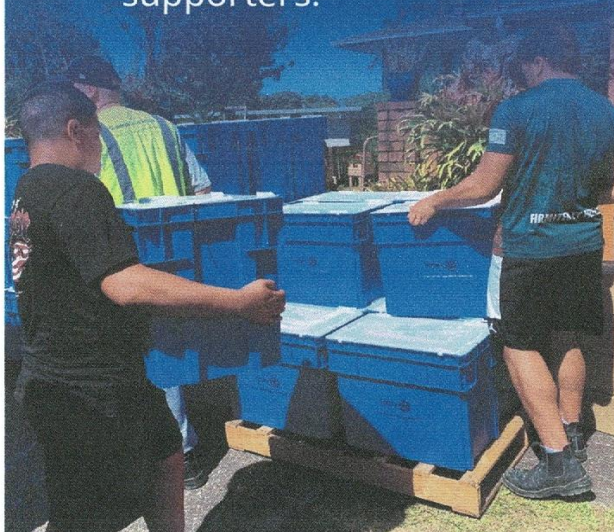


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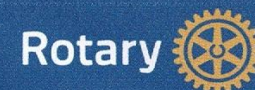
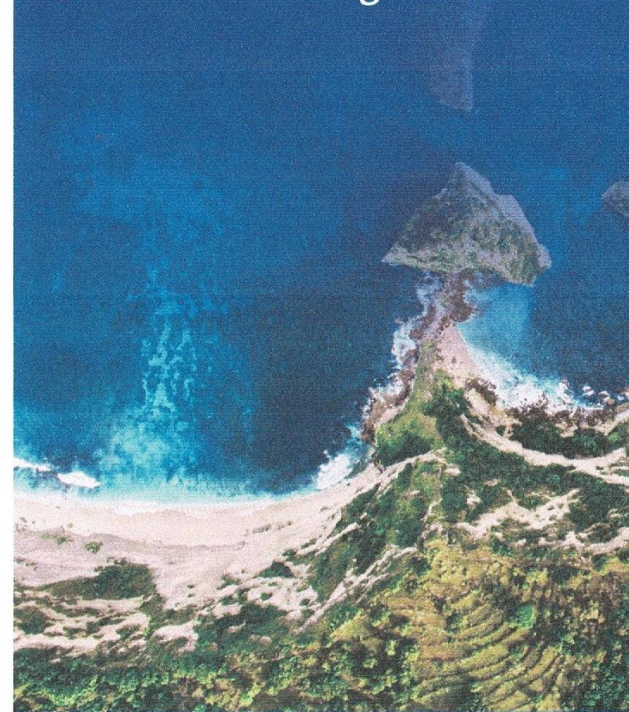
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