Thursday, Oct. 11, 2024

Rotary – District 7680 Disaster Update 5

Fellow Rotarians,

Here's an update to our District challenge of raising \$100,000 for communities in our District 7680 and District 7670 to the west of us. As some of you may know, we placed a pause on contributing to the District 7680 Donor Advised Fund #574.



Essentially, we were advised by the Rotary Foundation that funds in our DAF could no longer be utilized for disaster relief. Subsequent discussions with our Zone Director, Patrick Eakes, reflected that this provision was unknown to most within our Zone. Transaction Description

As a result, the Zone is now allowing donors to direct where they want the donation to go. If you wish those donations to go to western North Carolina counties most seriously impacted by Helene, please indicate this in the memo section of your check or in the portion of your credit card donation that says, "Transaction Description". In both cases, saying "Western NC -TS Helene" will ensure it is directed to the most impacted portions of our District 7680 and our sister District, 7670. If you don't care where the money goes, simply leave the memo/transaction description sections blank.

The \$50,000 challenge is still in effect and District 7680 will match every dollar donated in that challenge for a total of \$100,000. We know that money will be used for mid-term and long-term needs in our two districts. Funds already donated to the DAF will be transferred out and applied to the \$50,000 goal for clubs and individuals.

Here is where/how you can make a directed donation on the Zone platform:

Disaster Recovery | Rotary International Zones 33/34 (rizones33-34.org)

PLEASE SEND CHECKS TO OUR DISTRICT PO BOX AND NOT TO THE ZONE. THE ADDRESS IS: Rotary International District 7680 P.O. Box 79132 Charlotte, NC 28271

Yours in Rotary

DG Kevin Kendrick 2024-25