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“Since the start of war in Ukraine the number of civilian deaths is now close to 9,000. That number includes more than 500 children.

The recent meeting of three Rotary Districts (TriCon) in LaCrosse featured several programs about what Rotary is doing in Ukraine. Polish Rotary District Governor Peter Jankowski told Rotarians that what is happening in Ukraine is Russian genocide.

Jankowski has directed more than twenty convoys from Poland to Ukraine overseeing delivery of humanitarian assistance, generators, ambulances, fire trucks and financial assistance. He says the focus of Rotary is now on mothers, children, and orphans.

Several million refugees have left Ukraine and most have settled in Poland. Rotary is playing a significant role in providing assistance to both people in Ukraine and Poland.

Speakers asked that if Rotarians donate to the Rotary International disaster relief fund that they scroll down to allocate the donation specifically to Ukraine assistance.

This has been a Rotary Foundation Minute”

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