

# THE ROTARY CLUB OF CARROLL CREEK VIRAL RESPONSE TO COVID-19

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The Rotary Club of Carroll Creek (RCCC) moved quickly to respond to the growing needs in the Frederick community due to COVID-19. The club established a Viral Response Taskforce which identified three primary areas of concern: (1) the immediate emergency needs of our members, (2) needs of the Frederick business community, and (3) needs of non-profit organizations that provide a safety net for individuals living in Frederick County. RCCC members submitted requests that addressed specific needs in each of the three identified areas. Meanwhile, club leaders reviewed

were made:

- We funded four microgrants through The City of Frederick's Economic Development program totaling \$10,000.
- We made a \$5,000 contribution to our community's United Way fund for COVID-19 response.
- We gave \$8,500 to the Mental Health Association of Frederick County to aid in their response to increased demand for services during the pandemic.
- We gave \$3,500 each to the YMCA of Frederick County Inc and the Boys and Girls Clubs of Frederick County to assist with providing child-care costs for essential workers.
- We gave \$12,000+, in amounts ranging from \$500 to \$2,900, to other organizations addressing food, housing and other immediate needs of our community resulting from the pandemic.

In addition, RCCC enjoys hands-on projects. Understanding it is hard to be "hands-on" during a pandemic, RCCC Rotarians went to work on a mask sewing project, that to date (still sewing!) has produced 455 masks for senior living communities, community health organizations, and local advocacy groups. RCCC launched a food drive where members were encouraged to either donate food or money for the Community Action Agency to purchase food for pantries throughout Frederick County. This effort resulted in collecting 3500 pounds of food plus \$1750 in cash donations that were used to purchase frozen meat from a Rotarian partner. We also encouraged our members to provide craft and art supplies for clients of Heartly House; we received over a dozen individual donations for this effort. We managed to be "hands on" without touching a thing!

RCCC knows its work will continue as they search for additional ways to help and embody "Service Above Self."

THANK YOU  
Rotary Club of Carroll Creek  
for giving to the  
COVID-19 Emergency Relief Campaign



District Governor Installation for

Jimmie Gorski, DGE

June 28, 6 PM

All Rotarians Are Invited to This Virtual Event.

District and Club Leadership Are Strongly Encouraged to Attend.

At the End of the Ceremony, All Rotarians and Guests Are Invited to Participate in a Virtual Toast to Jimmie Gorski, District Governor for 2020-2021.

Log in Details to Follow Closer to the Event Date.



Rotary Opens Opportunities



their remaining budgets for available funds remaining in this budget year.

RCCC was able to bring together over \$40,000 in donations of cash and goods to put back into our community; in addition, we received a \$5,000 District matching grant, bringing our total community impact to over \$45,000.

With these monies, the following investments