

# Rotary Club of Indio



## Bulletin Dec 5, 2023



### Club Meeting

Indio

Meets at Fantasy Springs Resort Special Events Center 84-245 Indio Springs Dr. Indio, CA 92203

Fantasy Springs Resort Casino/Special Events Ctr 84-245 Indio Springs Parkway

Indio, CA 92203

Time: Tuesday at 12:10 PM

### Events

No Events found

### Club Leaders



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**Members Present:** Jesus & Tania DelToro, Sue Steding, Jeff Gonzales, Bryan Montgomery, Mike Colby, Bob Firing, Stacy Fifield, Chris & Jenn Schultz, Carla McNamera, Steve Morgan, Elizabeth Tucker, Dennis Sheehan, Barb Dreis, Andres Coronel, Mark Zacovic, Merlina Tate

**Guests Present:** Mark & Maria Meyer of the La Quinta Rotary Club & Speaker Robi Frederick

**Meeting Opens:** Sue Steding, filling in for Ben Guitron, opened the meeting at 12:09

Flag Ceremony led by Stacy Fifield, Four-Way Test led by Steve Morgan.

**Rotary Moment:** Sue Steding related that our Rotary Bell was presented by the Rotary Club of Calexico (etched on the bell.) in 1949. Sue said "The story as I remember it is that our sponsoring club was the club who presented us with the bell".

### Announcements:

1. Rotarians asked to attend the presentation of Blankets, Socks, & toys at the Farm Labor Center on Friday Dec 15, 47155 Van Buren St at 5:30 pm. More information contact Jesus DelToro. [safegaurdforme@gmail.com](mailto:safegaurdforme@gmail.com)
2. Holiday Christmas Party hosted by Chris & Jenn Schultz at the Cowboy Cantina in Palm Desert Dec 13 6 pm. Bring a Western Themed wrapped gift (Limit \$25) and a unwrapped toy. No Host: Drinks & Tip. **Only if not RSVP'd [Click Here](#)**
3. Rotary Club of Indio 75th Anniversary Luncheon, January 13, 2024 at the CV History Museum. Even though all active members of the Rotary Club of Indio have no charge for the Luncheon, they are required to Register & add additional paid Guests. If not yet registered [Click here](#).
4. Steve Morgan passed around a sign up sheet for setting up for the Tour de Palm Springs. He will pass around a sign up sheet for the day of next week. Set up Feb 9, Tour de Palm Springs Sat Feb 10.

**Speaker:** Great program today! Robi Frederick is with Coachella Valley Foster Kids and she shared about her journey from a Riverside County Social Worker to a foster parent along with her husband and 2 teenagers. She works with the attorneys and courts to advocate for kids in the foster care system. C.V.F.K. is a non-profit organization and can be contacted at [cvfosterkids@gmail.com](mailto:cvfosterkids@gmail.com).



Coachella Valley Foster Kids



**Chris Schultz**  
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We need your help! Join us in meeting the needs of our local foster youth. Here are some ways you can get involved...

### Hope in a Bag:

**Goal:** Provide emergency kits for every local child at the time they are removed from their parents, reducing their trauma and providing what they will need to get through the first 24 hours in foster care.

**How you can help:** Donate toward the purchase of needed items or direct donation of specific items that will fill these bags (see back).



### Project Court House Cares:



**Goal:** Every child who attends a Juvenile Court hearing receives a comfort item to reduce the stress they experience.

**How you can help:** Donate stuffed animals, books, and small toys for children and youth aged 0-21.

### Project Safe Night's Sleep:

**Goal:** Ensure each foster child has a bed and bedding that is just right for them so that they can remain or reunify with a parent or be placed with a relative. Also, to support and encourage foster families...helping to increase the number of local families willing and able to care for foster children.

**How you can help:** Donate toward the purchase of mattresses and bedding or direct donation of these items.



### Summer Camp:



**Goal:** Provide camp opportunities and college tours for foster youth, exposing them to new friendships and experiences, as well as the abundance of opportunities available to them. We hope to break the cycles of abuse and neglect and change the trajectory of these children's lives.

**How you can help:** Sponsor a child(ren) or donate toward bussing and supplies needed for these camps.

### Meeting needs as they arise:

**Goal:** Meet the variety of needs foster youth have (computers, participating in extracurricular activities, clothing, school supplies, Christmas gifts, etc.).

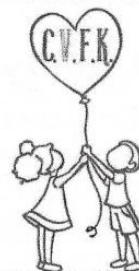
**How you can help:** Donate so that funding is available when the needs arise; direct donation of Christmas gifts (during the month of November).



Coachella Valley Foster Kids (C.V.F.K.) is a 100% volunteer led non-profit organization. All donations directly impact the children. Thank you for your support.

Contact us by emailing: [cvfosterkids@gmail.com](mailto:cvfosterkids@gmail.com)

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COACHELLA VALLEY FOSTER KIDS

### Items needed for Bags of Hope:

-Duffle Bag to store items for the first 24 hours in care.

-Pajamas

-Sweat Pants or Basketballs Shorts.

-T-Shirts

-Socks

-Underwear

\*All clothing and undergarments for boys and girls in Sizes Newborn to Adult XXL.

-Sandals (children and adult sizes)

-Toothbrushes and Toothpaste

-Baby Wash

-Travel Soap or Body Wash

-Travel Shampoos and Conditioners

-Travel Lotion

-Chapstick

-Hair Brushes and Combs

-Hair Bands

-Deodorant for boys and girls

-Diapers and Pull-ups in Small Packages (all sizes needed)

-Small Packages of Baby Wipes

-Baby Formula (Canisters and Individual Servings)

### Other Items Frequently Needed While Children are Awaiting Placement:

-New Towels and washcloths

-Soft Blankets (Adult sized)

-Craft Kits (For All Ages)

-Art Supplies: Art Pads, Journals, Pencils, Pens, Colored Pencils, Crayons, Markers, Coloring Books, etc.

-Board games and card games (consider children of varying ages)

-Pizza and Fast Food Gift Cards

[www.cvfosterkids.com](http://www.cvfosterkids.com)

**Opportunity Drawing:** Mike Colby had the winning number. "What was the name of the Google Search Engine when it was first introduced?" With a lot of help from his friends, he gave the correct answer: Backrub

**Gaboon:** John passed the Gaboon

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## Interact Club Fills Food Boxes at FIND Food Bank



More cheerful service by the Interact Club of Shadow Hills High School - on their way to packing 275 Senior Boxes (5 Pallets) for the FIND Food Bank. Dec 2nd, 2023

### \* Record your Rotary Hours & In-kind Donations

[Click Here](#) to Record Rotary Hours & In-Kind Donations

(It will only take you a minute to record your hours donated to Rotary. Only 4 members are doing this so far. It is very important to our Club to have a record. Presently there are 2 projects just completed you can easily enter.

Everyone that spent hours & in-kind-donations for the Golf Ball Drop & Concessions, and the Horizon's Senior Center Thanksgiving Dinner, please

[Click Here.](#))

### Speakers

#### Birthdays

No Birthdays Found

#### Wedding Anniversaries

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#### Club Anniversaries

[Corona](#)  
December 4th

[Temecula Valley-New Generation](#)  
December 8th