The Rotary Club of Seaside invites you to join us for a most exciting Global Grant project in the village of Kiruru – the Kilimanjaro District of Tanzania.

Together, we will do excellent humanitarian work for a very needy village!



Need in Kiruru Many decades ago, Kiruru was part of a lush plain with wild animals, trees, and crops, and people lived in harmony with nature. But now, the hills, springs, and water sources from decades ago are gone, dried up. Crops won't grow, animals are dehydrated, and the people are desperate for water.

Background Study In 2012, a detailed Rotary study was made of seven villages in the Mwanga area. Of the seven needy villages visited and presented to Rotary, it was determined that Kiruru's people were suffering the most. Villagers do not have enough water to drink, bathe, clean their children, or wash food. Illness is routine, sometimes leading to death. Attempts to plant trees and crops fail for lack of water. Goats and cows die of thirst. Women and children walk for miles to buy small quantities of expensive, unsafe water. Everyone spoken to in Kiruru earnestly said: "Please help us have water," and "Do not forget us when you go home."

In Kiruru, there are about 5,000 people in 800 homes, several schools, a village church and a single mostly-dry animal-drinking trough. The community seems peaceful and well-organized, though further community development will be part of the project agenda. This grant is intended to include a bore-hole, water distribution, toilets, and training for hand washing and hygiene. Local volunteer labor and material contributions by the village people will be part of this project.

Project Partners The Rotary clubs of Moshi-Mwanga (D9211) and Seaside (D5100) will partner with local NGOs (non-profit org.) for water & sanitation. The District of Mwanga – local government assisting villages – is a strong partner with its water engineers, health office, and general administrative support.

Water Missions International (WMI) will be our water NGO partner. They have already done further studies, design work, and budgeting. We are also interviewing qualified NGOs whose focus will be on toilets & sanitation, and training & behavior change. This project is intended to be a well-studied, carefully-designed Rotary-NGO WaSH project with good measurement, excellent record keeping, diligent stewardship, and long-term sustainability.

Meeting Rotary & WaSH Guidelines Everything starts with the community needs, which have been strongly expressed for water and toilets, and sustainability calls for extensive training. All parties are keen to meet the standards of Rotary, the WHO, and Tanzania with this project. These include the quantity and quality of water, public tap stand numbers and spacing, and providing animal water. Toilets will be designed for the soil conditions, groundwater, and cultural acceptance. Training will be provided for water system operators, heads of household, teachers, and students. Training will include: sanitary handling of safe water, cleaning of toilets, hand washing and personal hygiene, and awareness and prevention of spreading disease.

A system of measurement and monitoring will be set up and continued throughout the project and for a period of five years after project completion. It will be adopted by the village leaders, water committee members, schools, and churches, to ensure that all parties are educated and motivated.

Global Grant Process & Stewardship The RC of Seaside, the lead International Club partner, will prepare the GG application, shepherd it through the approval process, and control the primary separate GG bank account. The RC of Moshi-Mwanga, the Host Club partner, will pay some items in TZ shillings. The RC of Wien-Hofburg is the coordinating club for Europe. MOU's (memos of understanding) will be prepared with each cooperating NGO, the Mwanga District, and the village leadership of Kiruru.

Rotary Contributions We are actively seeking Rotary club support now in Europe, Canada, and the USA. If your club would like to partner with us in this effort, **please advise PDG Denny Jones** of the amount you will dedicate to this Global Grant. *Funds will not be due until the grant is approved*.

Keeping You Informed As a contributing partner, you will regularly be updated with project progress including photos, videos, and written reports which will be sent out via email and Dropbox. You will also have the opportunity to come with us to visit Tanzania on our project trips!

Want to see more photos of Kiruru and their current living, water, and sanitation conditions? Click here.

Please join us in this important project. Together we can make a transforming difference in the lives of the people in Kiruru!

Yours in Rotary Service,

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