



District Grant Report

Rotary Club: The Rotary Club of Irvine and Newport Irvine Rotary Club

Project Title: 2-11 Adoption Project

Progress Report Final Report

1. Briefly describe the project. What was done, when and where did project activities take place, and who were the beneficiaries?

Thirty (30) volunteers from the Rotary Club of Irvine, the Newport Irvine Rotary Club, OC Digital, Santa Ana Rotary, the 2/11 Marine Adoption Committee, family and friends joined forces on April 17 at San Leandro Park, Irvine, CA to put together 100 Welcome Home bags for the returning troops of the 2/11 Marines stationed at Camp Pendleton and 22 Welcome Baby Baskets for expectant Marine couples.

The Welcome Home bags filled with full sized hygiene items, toothbrushes, toothpaste, snacks, towels and other donated items will be distributed in May to the approximate 100 troops returning back to Camp Pendleton after their deployment.

We filled 22 Welcome Baby Baskets with diapers, wipes, a baby carrier, an outfit, toys, booties and other baby necessities. After our event on April 17, the 2/11 Adoption Committee received news of an additional 7 couples expecting. We were able to purchase with our remaining funds the 2 strollers, diapers and outfits on the 2/11 Marine's Amazon Wish List which will be combined with other donations received from other organizations. The baskets and other donated items will be present to 30 expectant parents in May at the annual baby shower.

Due to the COVID-19, the Holiday Party scheduled for December was cancelled due to social distancing restrictions.

2. How many Rotarians participated in the project?

21 Rotarians from The Rotary Club of Irvine, Newport Irvine Rotary Club, the OC Digital Rotary Club and the Santa Ana Rotary Club participated in this project.

3. What did they do? Please give at least two examples.

Rotarians selected and purchased items for the Welcome Baby Baskets and for the Welcome Home Bags. Together with other Rotary Clubs, 2/11 Committee members and their families meet to assemble the baskets and bags. These baskets and bags were then delivered/handed over to the 2/11 committee for distribution to the troops and expectant parents.

4. How many non-Rotarians benefited from this project?

9 non-Rotarians from the 2/11 Marine Adoption Committee and their family participated in the April 17 event. Donations collected from the Irvine Middle School YAT (Youth Action Team), Miley (Irvine Girl Scout), Nadia (Irvine High School) and Albertson (Tustin, CA) were combined with the Rotary donations. 30 Marine couples and 100 troops benefited from our project.

5. What are the expected long-term community impacts of the project?

Both the Welcome Baby Baskets and the Welcome Home bags benefiting the 2/11 Marines at Camp Pendleton are ongoing projects of the 2/11 Marine Adoption Committee. Both The Rotary Club of Irvine and the 2/11 Marine Adoption Committee posted on their FACEBOOK pages pictures and a video of the event.

6. If a cooperating organization was involved, what was its role?

On September 15, 2007, the City of Irvine officially adopted a Marine battalion from Camp Pendleton to make a difference in the lives of our military personnel and their families. The Irvine 2/11 Marine Adoption Committee with the Irvine community support the adopted battalion by participating and donating to a variety of activities. These activities include holiday and pre-deployment events, care packages, toy drives and more.

Financial Report – Be sure that Income equals Expenditures!

7. Income	Amount
1. District Grant funds approved by the District : Rotary Club of Irvine	1000.00
Newport Irvine Rotary Club	1100.00
2. Club contribution	1006.28
Rotary Club of Irvine	1100.00
Newport Irvine Rotary Club	
3. Other funding (specify)	
Total Project Income	4206.28

8. Expenditures - please be specific and add lines as needed - receipts must be attached

1. WELCOME BABY BASKETS: Baby outfits, diapers, wipes and 2 double strollers	893.74
2. Baskets, baby outfits,	193.70
3. Baby blankets, baskets, baby outfits, baby wipes, portable changing pads, diapers, baby carriers	1662.98
4. Baby blankets, baby travel kits, changing pads, baskets	65.83
5. WELCOME HOME BAGS: toothpaste, snacks, body wash, drink mixes, shave gel,	522.14
6. Toothbrushes, body wash, snacks, razors, 2 gallon freezer bags,	800.99
7. Laundry soap	66.90
Total Project Expenditures	4206.28

9. By signing this report, I confirm that to the best of my knowledge these District Grant funds were spent only for eligible items in accordance with Trustee-approved guidelines, and that all of the information contained herein is true and accurate. Receipts for all grant-funded expenditures have been provided to the district. I also understand that all photographs submitted in connection with this report will become the property of RI and will not be returned. I warrant that I own all rights in the photographs, including copyright, and hereby grant RI and TRF a royalty free irrevocable license to use the photographs now or at any time in the future, throughout the world in any manner it so chooses and in any medium now known or later developed. This includes the right to modify the photograph(s) as necessary in RI's sole discretion. This also includes, without limitation, use on or in the web sites, magazines, brochures, pamphlets, exhibitions and any other promotional materials of RI and TRF.

Certifying Signature *Audrey Ishibashi* Date: 05/15/2021

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