

Rotary Club of Woodland

Community Projects

The Rotary Club of Woodland (“Club”), #470, in Rotary District 5160, was established April 29, 1926. In addition to its many community and international activities, the club has for many years donated time, labor and/or money to a major community project(s). Some examples include:

Baseball/Softball Fields, Bleachers and Scoreboard at Pioneer High School

Freeman Park Gazebo

Children’s Playground at John Ferns Park

Newborn Hearing Screening Equipment for Woodland Hospital

Gibson House Museum Project

Woodland Opera House Theater Projects

Yolo County Red Cross

Woodland School District Music Boosters

Woodland Community College Electronic Bulletin Board

Greengate School Play Structure

Rotary International recommends Rotarians be involved in community service projects that address many of today's most critical issues, such as **children at risk, poverty and hunger, the environment, illiteracy, and violence**. Community Service encourages every Rotarian to find ways to improve the quality of life for people in their communities and to serve the public interest.

In order to provide some guidance to the community in applying for club project funds and to assist future club officers and members it has been determined that some general parameters should be documented to better solicit and analyze requests to the club for community projects. The focus of the Club’s annual community projects may change from time to time and may consist of one major project, several smaller projects or some combination of the two.

The Club’s projects have historically been mostly youth related and one-time community benefit capital projects. Ongoing operating expenses or multi-year commitments (although some major projects have required more than one year’s funding) are generally not preferred and the Club typically does not provide funds to the same organization for more than one project.

We are currently focused on projects that match the following guidelines:

1. Organizations that benefit local youth.
2. Organizations that benefit the cultural (music, arts, and literature) vibrancy of the community.
3. Capital projects that improve the community.

Ideas for Community Service Projects come from many sources and it is our intent to solicit project requests from all segments of the community. Applicants for major projects must be established as 501(c)(3) entities, government, or public school organizations. All requests for Community Project funding must complete the Rotary Club of Woodland Community Projects Application (see attached) and submit it to the Club President by September 15 (deadline extended to Oct 15th for 2016). The Club Board of Directors will review the Applications and make a recommendation to the club at large for a vote by November 1.

The Club will consider the following factors in analyzing any request:

1. Does the request meet the Club's current focus on types of projects.
2. Does it have a long-term benefit to the Community.
3. Will there be hands-on participation by the requesting organization.
4. Will there be hands-on participation by the Rotary Club of Woodland.
5. Does the project provide on-site recognition for The Rotary Club of Woodland, and/or media publicity.
6. When will the project be completed.
7. Will the Club be providing all of the funding for the project.