

Dear Governor Dr Supong

## D3350 allocated US\$50,000 DDF from D3310 for flood rehabilitation projects

We read with sadness each day about the severe hardship of your people brought by the massive floods in Thailand. We feel compelled to respond.

On behalf of Governor Zainie Aucasa, I am pleased to inform that our District has allocated US\$50,000 DDF to Matching Grant projects that help rehabilitate flood victims in your district. We understand that D3350 is the worst-affected district in Thailand.

Partnering can be in the following ways:

- D3350 club(s) partnering D3310 club(s), especially partnerships involving sister clubs;
- D3350 partnering D3310

Projects must provide longer-term rehabilitation, *not* immediate or short-term relief. Rehabilitation would involve putting flood victims and families back on their feet after flood waters have receded. Partners must identify specific worst-affected flood victims and poor families, provide them with everyday living essentials lost to the floods.

Priority may be given to projects that involve replacement of assets that victims will need to resume earning an income. An example would be to replace food stalls or food carts lost to the floods and which are, to many stricken families, the sole means of making a living . Replacement of stock-in-trade is however, not eligible.

Projects that provide everyday living essentials such as furniture and utensils will also gualify.

D3310 will allocate up to US\$5,000 DDF to each Matching Grant application on a first-come-first-served basis until the funds are exhausted or until 31st January 2012, whichever comes first. Partnering clubs should, as far as possible, attempt to match D3310 DDF with at least an equivalent combined amount of cash.

D3350 clubs that have sister club relationships in D3310 are particularly encouraged to participate in this initiative. Clubs without identified partners can also participate; several clubs in D3310 will stand ready to volunteer as partners. Please let me know if any project requires help with a partner.

The normal process for Matching Grant applications will apply. All project items are subject to Matching Grant eligibility rules. Partners should submit a fully completed Matching Grant application form (soft copy, please) to me for the consideration of D3310.

All clubs in D3310 have been informed accordingly.

We look forward to a fruitful collaboration and to your fellowship. Good luck and all the best.

Yours in Rotary
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