



Fundraising initiatives of Rotary Club of Oakville West

ROTARY CLUB OF OAKVILLE WEST (RCOW) www.rotaryclubofoakvillewest.com

ROTARY provides humanitarian service, encourages high ethical standards in all vocations and helps build goodwill and peace in the world.

Rotary Club of Oakville West is an organization for professional and business people bound by fellowship and a commitment to local and international service – SERVICE ABOVE SELF.

To that end, RCOW strives to:

1. Advance the Rotary International ideals of service above self, high ethical standards, international understanding, goodwill and peace through membership united in service and fellowship.
2. Attract individuals, committed to making a difference in their community and internationally, by offering stimulating weekly meetings for the purpose of educational forums, business exchange and fellowship as well as a variety of local and international service opportunities.
3. Represent Oakville's cultural diversity in its membership, programs and service projects.
4. Be receptive to the needs of the local community, responding primarily to those groups who are most disadvantaged and who lack structure or a voice for fundraising.
5. Support initiatives where RCOW contribution will make a difference in the project outcome and to improving quality of life.

FUNDING YOUTH, COMMUNITY SERVICES & INTERNATIONAL PROJECTS

Oakville Awards for Business Excellence is an annual event to acknowledge and recognize remarkable entrepreneurs and businesses within the Oakville community. Proceeds support RCOW youth initiatives.

Rotary Education Awards recognizes and rewards academic accomplishments and community service of deserving Grade 12 students attending publicly-supported secondary schools in

Oakville. Bursaries and scholarship are for their post-secondary education.

Camp Enterprise – An annual four-day Retreat for area secondary school students interested in learning about business and private enterprise.

Interact Club – Students attending Iroquois Ridge Secondary School develop and participate in activities with local and international impact.

Rotary Youth Leadership Award (RYLA) – One talented college/university student per year is sponsored to attend this six-day intensive training program for future community leaders.

Rotaract Club of Oakville – Offers young people 18-30 years the opportunity to make a difference in the world through local and international service.

RCOW Annual Charity Golf Tournament benefits Oakville agencies such as Kerr Street Ministries, Oakville Trafalgar Memorial Hospital and the Salvation Army.

Water for Humanity – RCOW led water projects have raised more than \$1 million in funding ensuring safe drinking water for 150,000 people living in 23 impoverished communities on 3 different continents.

General Fundraising – Provides funding to Rotary International PolioPlus Project to eradicate polio worldwide.

2012 COMMUNITY Funding in support of:

- Art House
- Camp Enterprise
- Company of Women
- Halton Fresh Food Box
- Lighthouse Program for Grieving Children
- Oakville Hospital Foundation
- Oakville Salvation Army
- Oakville Symphony
- Rotary Rose Parade
- RYLA

2012 INTERNATIONAL Funding in support of:

- Rotary International PolioPlus
- Rotary Foundation of Canada
- St. Mildred's (Mully Family Fund-Kenya)