

Rotary



DISASTER
NETWORK OF
ASSISTANCE

ROTARY
ACTION
GROUP

Disaster Response: We Connect the Dots

DISASTER PREPAREDNESS

WORKSHOP

JUNE 15, 2024 7PM UTC

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Workshop Agenda

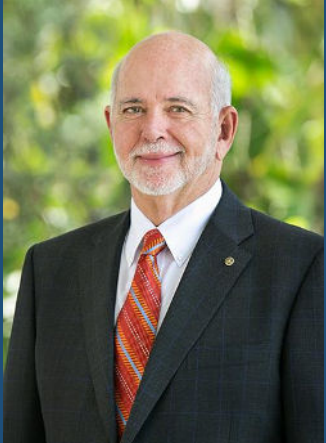
- I. **Welcome** - PRID Robert 'Bob' Stuart – DNA-RAG Chair
- II. **Opening comments** - PRIP/TRFC Barry Rassin
- III. **Disaster Planning Framework** for Zones/Regions/Districts/Clubs
- IV. **Disaster Preparedness** for Districts & Clubs
- V. Question & Answer

Welcome & Opening Comments



Welcome

DNA-RAG Chair Robert 'Bob' Stuart PRID



Opening Comments

TRF Chair Barry Rassin PRIP

Goals for this Webinar

Districts/Clubs have Disaster Preparedness Goals

1. Zone/Regions/Districts have a disaster management strategy
2. Every Rotary/Rotaract club has a Disaster Plan & committee/chair
3. District Disaster Preparedness Committee assist & support Clubs
4. Create Club plans & individual/family plans
5. Districts develop standard methodology for responding to disasters

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Zone/Region Disaster Management Strategy & Suggested Approach

- I. **Zone/Region/District Committee with Executive Oversight Responsibility** for disasters
- II. Sub-Committees with separate focus, chairs, composition & responsibilities
 - A. **Preparedness** sub-committee
 - B. **Recovery** sub-committee
- III. Notes & Considerations for a Regional Disaster Management approach-
 - A. Geographical boundaries in common
 - B. Common Institutional capacity
 - C. Resources – shared information critical for cooperation, fiscal transparency, publicity (see DNA-RAG website)
 - D. Role of DNA-RAG
- IV. Draft strategy based on Rotary disaster region with similar risk profiles (e.g. Caribbean)

Disaster Preparedness for Rotary & Rotaract Clubs

"Prepare before the storm!"

The best way to **RESPOND** to a **DISASTER** is to have a **PLAN!**



Disaster Planning for Clubs

- I. Identify & assess risks
- II. Prepare club plans
- III. Identify contact approach within clubs
- IV. Create liaison with local emergency responders & invite to club meetings – before hand
- V. Identify club resources
- VI. Encourage Rotarians & Rotaractors to create individual/family plans
- VII. Conduct simulations/test exercises of how club would act

Assessing Your Risks

- What are YOUR risks?

- Tornadoes
- Hurricanes/Cyclones
- Volcanoes
- Earthquakes
- **Pandemics (Covid etc)**
- **Heavy rains, floods & mud slides**
- **Heat stress**
- **Wildfires**
- **Sea level rise**
- Industrial accidents
- Personal at home risks
- Other risks

UN IPCC advised (2021) that
***“Climate related disasters will
increase multifold by 2030”!***

Disaster Preparedness Planning

Rotarians are **PEOPLE PREPARING** to take **ACTION**

- Actions **BEFORE** disaster (focus of this webinar)
- Actions **DURING** a disaster (future webinar)
- Actions **AFTER** a disaster (future webinar)

Rotary has a long and impactful history of helping in disasters

Rotary ACTIONS **BEFORE** a disaster

- Organized & committed Zone/District w senior leadership
- District Disaster Funds (part of club's district dues ?)
- Regional disaster focus – Zone/Region wide (eg. Caribbean)
- District Disaster Preparedness Committees
 - facilitating Club & Individual Disaster plans
- Partners – RI, DNA-RAG & non-Rotary partners
- Create Library of Disaster Preparedness Resources

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Rotary ACTIONS **DURING** a disaster

- Convening disaster specific committee/meetings ASAP
- Establishing & maintaining contact with Clubs on the ground & club/regional coordinators
- Disseminating disaster info to Rotary & external parties
- Activating Fund Raising promptly
- Assisting in channeling help through local clubs in need
- Record keeping – contacts, pledges of assistance & maintaining contact, projects (APP/shared database)

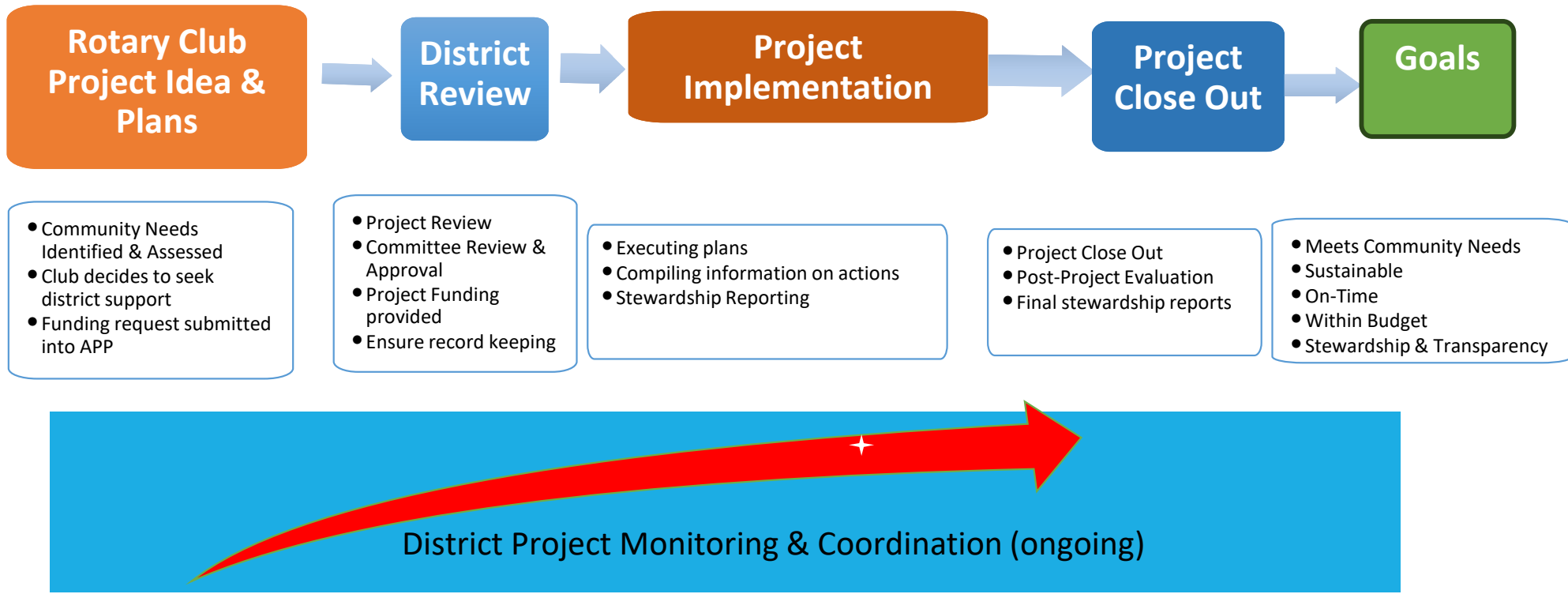
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Rotary ACTIONS **AFTER** a disaster

- Continuing response actions as needed
- Devising efforts to help clubs with resources
- Maintaining a helpful, encouraging, responsive & accountable system for community specific recovery projects
- Moving supplies (pre-positioned or otherwise) to disaster hit areas
- Channeling financial help to clubs
- Ensuring appropriate projects w stewardship & reporting
- Noting '**learning points**' to aid response to future disasters
- Long-term psychological impact on victims and rescue/relief workers

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Lifecycle of Disaster Recovery Projects



Disaster Preparedness Resources

Clubs are greatly helped by making learning resources easily accessible-

1. Templates for plans
2. Examples of good club plans (anonymised)
3. Recorded webinars on disaster preparedness
4. References to best practices & recordings
5. DNA-RAG website
6. Zone 30/31 Handbook
7. Other helpful information services

EXAMPLE

<https://7020.org/Stories/disaster-preparedness>

Question & Answer

Rotary Disaster Preparedness Basics webinar

Thank You

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