

# Plattsburgh Sunrise Rotary Club      Plattsburgh, NY

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### Plattsburgh Sunrise Rotary Club Continues Charitable Work in Haiti

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The Plattsburgh Sunrise Rotary Club has made a \$3,000 donation to earthquake relief in Haiti, through the Rotary Foundation Earthquake Relief Fund. This fund is carrying out relief and rebuilding projects in the areas still dramatically impacted by the January 2010 earthquakes. This donation will be used toward the fund's rebuilding of medical clinics and schools, providing children's vaccinations, providing medical care and prosthetics to women, children and victims of the earthquake. This donation continues the club's commitment to assist Haiti, already the poorest nation in the western Hemisphere before the earthquake disaster.

The Sunrise Rotary Club and its members donated more than \$2,200 in 2010 to the Rotary-affiliated Shelterbox program deployed in Haiti, which provided life-sustaining equipment to earthquake victims. In 2009 the club donated \$2,500 through Ryan's Well foundation to build wells for safe drinking water in Haiti.

Club President Ron Marino stated that "Our club believes in the mission of serving our community and other countries in need. Through the auspices of Rotary we are able to reach and help many people". Haitian project leader Victoria Zinser Duley added that, "Our club has been so terribly saddened by the continued hardships faced in Haiti; the terribly poverty and limited food and safe water sources, the catastrophic earthquake and the following cholera epidemic and other health issues. We are grateful to have connections through Rotary International to try to serve some of these needs, and for the generosity of our club, its members and supporters". The club will continue fundraising to assist Haiti and other international projects, and to meet local and community needs.

The Plattsburgh Sunrise Rotary Club carries out many community events year-round, including the annual Mayor's Cup Festival and Regatta. For more information about Plattsburgh Sunrise Rotary and its community services, visit:

<http://www.plattsburghsunriserotary.org>. For more information about the Rotary Foundation Earthquake Relief fund, visit: <http://www.rotary.org> and for more information about Shelterbox visit <http://www.shelterboxusa.org/>.

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