

International Service Committee Projects – as at September 2023

Rotary Foundation Grants



1) Udhampur Avoidable Blindness- (\$56,000US) Community based eye health program to bring eye health to rural communities high in the mountains of Jammu India is now **complete**.

John Wallace has been the driving force behind Operation Eyesight projects for many years. We allocate \$2000/ year to Operation Eyesight and fundraise about 10-12,000/yr.

2) Jalandhar – (\$45,000US) School project Install boys/ girls washrooms

in 5 schools in Jalandhar India- **project complete**.

Andy Kooistra was lead.

3) Kanpur India-(\$72,250US) Kanpur Vision centres a Operation Eyesight project to provide sustainable vision centres to poor urban communities and rural communities in Kanpur India. This project is nearing completion. Jim Dawson lead on this project.



4) Pikangikum outdoor program (\$3,600US) We have been supporting the remote community of Pikangikum in NW Ontario for 5 years and we had a district grant to supply camping and canoe packs to support the outdoor program. **This grant is complete**. Jim and Marjorie Dawson lead this project and travel at least once a year to the community.



5) Nepal “Vision on Wheels” Operation Eyesight project which is essentially a vision centre on wheels. Project cost \$55,000US project and is now complete. Jim Dawson was lead on this project.

6) Mzuzu , Malawi- Operation Eyesight Mzuzu Eye Health Project to provide optical equipment for the Mzuzu hospital to allow them to be able to provide optical surgery. (\$62,959US) Jim Dawson is the lead on this project.

Other ISC Projects

- 1) Pikangikum Music and outdoor programs(\$1000/yr)- we have been supporting music and outdoor programs at the EBS school. We also supported the purchase and shipping of a bike repair trailer and bike program and helped them get a \$10,000 Music Counts grant for musical instruments.
- 2) Operations Eyesight - Zambia well project- we provided \$5,000 to re-case 2 wells in Zambia that had failed.
- 3) Disaster Canada- we support the emergency relief boxes used to provide emergency supplies needed in natural disasters around the world.
- 4) In 2021-22 we provided \$3000 to ShelterBox for Ukraine relief and club members also contributed \$6400 to shelterbox for Ukraine. We also sent \$2,500 from RCNS budget to the Red Cross for Ukraine relief.
- 5) We provided \$500 for Covid protective equipment to Mzuzu Hospital in Malawi.
- 6) In 2022-23 we provided \$2,500 Warehouse of Hope group run by Rotary in St Catherines who are regularly shipping containers of medical supplies to Ukraine.
- 7) We provided \$1000 to Rotary Foundation for Polio eradication in 2022-23.
- 8) In 2022-23 We provided \$1050US to support the cluster grant project for the District which will allow us to participate in the District Global Grant (to be selected).