



**News Release**

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## **The Rotary Club of (insert name or town or city) participates in Hurricane Sandy relief.**

As the East Coast continues to recover from Superstorm Sandy, The Rotary Club of **(Name of club)**, in conjunction with other Rotary Clubs in Northern Illinois Districts 6420, 6440 and 6450 effortlessly responded to the emergency needs of men, women and children in crisis.

During the Rotary District 6440 Fall Training Seminar held on Saturday, November 10th at Medinah Banquets in Addison, Illinois approximately 300 members of suburban Rotary clubs gathered to assemble donated relief supplies for Hurricane Sandy victims.

A 1400-cu.ft transport truck, donated by John Glueckert, president of the Arlington Heights Sunset Rotary Club was filled with individual club donations with over 1,000 blankets and comforters, 500 toiletry and amenity kits, several hundred winter coats, hundreds of wool socks, furniture donated by a Rotary furniture dealer. Other donations included clothing, underwear, cots, pillows, bedding, towels, bottled water, cleaning supplies, batteries, disposable diapers, non-perishable food, coats, sweaters, paper plates, cups and other sorely needed relief supplies.

This major relief effort is part of a joint campaign by 7 New York/New Jersey Rotary Districts. The truck delivered the donated goods to The Rotary Club of Wall Street in New York City and Rotary District 7490, serving Paramus and the surrounding areas in New Jersey.

Those wishing to send checks should send them to: The Walter D. Head Foundation of Rotary District 7490, c/o Calisto Bertin, Bertin Engineering, [66 Glen Avenue, Glen Rock, NJ 07452](http://www.bertin.com). All of the NY/NJ Districts are using that Foundation as their central collection point, and redistributing the funds as needed on the ground.

Rotary District 6440 spans the north, northwest and west suburbs of Chicago with 72 clubs and 2460 members. Rotary is the world's oldest and largest service organization with the signature motto, "Service Above Self". Rotary District 6420 covers the Northwest part of Illinois, while District 6450 includes the city of Chicago, as well as the near west and southern suburbs.

The Rotary Club of **(name your club)** meets **(place and day/time)**. In the local community our club serves our community neighbors by **(list items)**.

Please contact (name Community Director) for further information at (phone number/e-mail)