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Rotarian David Brunt
President Rotary Club of Mordialloc, District 9810, Victoria

Dear David,

I have pleasure in warmly acknowledging with sincere appreciation the Rotary Club of Mordialloc's generous donation to RAM of \$1,000.00

The generosity of Rotary Clubs such as yours, in support of RAM's anti-malaria programs, has made a huge difference to the lives of so many people in Papua New Guinea, the Solomon Islands and Timor Leste.

In the past ten years substantial funding has been received from the Global Fund aimed at significantly reducing malaria in Australia's three countries of focus. These funds are focussed on the supply and distribution of treated bed nets.

RAM Australia has a number of projects that it is financially supporting, one of the major avenues that RAM funding will continue to be directed towards is the Healthy Village Program, where it will cover or contribute to the vitally important clean-up of villages thereby eliminating possible mosquito breeding sites. Donations will assist in the funding of tools and equipment. Another major project where RAM funding is really needed is the "Chasing Malaria Program" in PNG. These and other areas where funds are allocated are as per the attached information sheet.

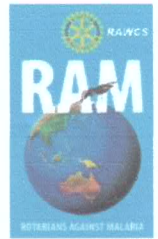
Should you have any queries please don't hesitate to contact me.

Yours in Rotary,

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How is RAM Supporting the Fight to Control Malaria? How Are Donated Funds Being Used?



By:

1. continuing and expanding the Healthy Village Program by supplying tools and training to local villagers to enable draining of mosquito breeding grounds and other forms of intervention in selected villages such as the supply of water treatment solutions. RAM is looking to bring this Program to Timor Leste
2. assisting in the funding of the PNG "Chasing Malaria" Program
3. creating a supply of nets to enable quick distribution in cases of epidemic breakouts or disasters
4. funding a PhD Scholarship to an international student from our focus countries to undertake postgraduate research in Australia studying vector control and gaining experience with leading Australian researchers.
5. providing and assisting, if required, local communities with the distribution of Long Lasting Insecticide-Treated Nets (LLIN'S) with special emphasis on vulnerable groups i.e. expectant mothers and children
6. educating villagers on the correct use of resources such as nets and tools.
7. providing suitable educational material to inform villagers about appropriate measures to protect themselves against the risk of malaria eg flip books
8. providing leadership and management training for malaria teams (Timor Leste)
9. spraying the interiors of houses with residual insecticide
10. supplying and distributing microscopes with trained microscopists to enable rapid and accurate diagnosis
11. supplying rapid diagnostic test kits (dipsticks) to health workers where microscopy is unavailable.
12. providing drug storage facilities
13. supporting research into new methods of mosquito control, but most importantly continued research into the development of an effective vaccine.

Once again I would like to sincerely thank your Club for its financial assistance. It is greatly appreciated by RAM and by the people in our countries of focus who receive the benefits of your generous donation.

Thank you

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