



District 5300



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page – “Rotary Club of Las Vegas
Southwest”)

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Las Vegas Southwest Rotary Newsletter

6/8/20

COVID-19 UPDATES – State of Nevada

In keeping with current quarantine restrictions, today’s meeting was again held via the “Zoom” conferencing application. Until in-person meetings are allowed, we plan to continue meeting via Zoom each Monday at our regular time of noon o’clock.

Next week, however, is our “Social” week, so we won’t be having a meeting on Monday. Instead, we will “meet” via Zoom on Thursday, June 18th, at 6:00 p.m. Here is the Zoom link to the meeting:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82143071586>

Keith Thomas will email the invitation again next week (Jordana usually sends it out but she will be attending District Assembly that evening, so Keith will be the meeting “host”).

Check out today’s meeting screenshots (click [here](#)).

Pres. Sean brought the meeting to order with a moment of calm and reflection. He then asked if anyone had experienced an exciting weekend that they would like to share with the club. Inasmuch as we are all apparently stay-at-home fuddy-duddies, nobody volunteered anything. He then proceeded to tell us of his weekend trip to his cabin on Kolob Mountain (near Zion National Park). He had previously set up a “game camera” (no, not that kind of game!). This camera was set up to capture images of passing wildlife. One of the images he captured was a “lynx”, an unusual sighting in that neck of the woods. Sean said that it could have been a “bobcat”. Click [here](#) if you want to find out what the difference is.

SERVICE ABOVE SELF



The Object of Rotary

THE OBJECT of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise and, in particular, to encourage and foster:

FIRST The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service;

SECOND High ethical standards in business and professions, the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations, and the dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society;

THIRD The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business, and community life;

FOURTH The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service

The Four-Way Test

OF THE THINGS we think, say, or do:

- 1) Is it the TRUTH?
- 2) Is it FAIR to all concerned?
- 3) Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
- 4) Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

Rotarian Code of Conduct

The following code of conduct has been adopted for the use of Rotarians:

AS A ROTARIAN, I will

- 1) Act with integrity and high ethical standards in my personal and professional life
- 2) Deal fairly with others and treat them and their occupations with respect
- 3) Use my professional skills through Rotary to: mentor young people, help those with special needs, and improve people's quality of life in my community and in the world
- 4) Avoid behavior that reflects adversely on Rotary or other Rotarians

He then observed that it is getting close to the end of his term, and what a term it has been, particularly the past couple of months. Three more meetings and he will officially join the ranks of "past-presidents". He then proceeded with announcements:

Announcements

Pres. Sean announced that the Monday meetings will continue to be held via Zoom for the foreseeable future. Lawry's is remaining closed on Mondays for an undetermined time so we will keep you posted on future meeting plans.

Pres. Sean also reminded the members that dues, assessments, etc., can be paid online. Just click the "Donate" button on the top right side of the club's [home page](#), fill in all the information required and specify in the "Notes" section how you want your money applied. Please send an email to [Melissa](#) if you want to find out the outstanding balance of your account.

Keith Thomas announced that our club had been spotlighted in the recent District 5300 Newsletter (See below for a complete copy). Here is what they said (they got it mostly correct):

"Rotary Club of Las Vegas Southwest continued donations to the Nevada Partnership for Homeless Youth, Nevada Homeless Alliance to help in their placement of COVID-19 vulnerable homeless in motel rooms, Project 150 to help in their food distribution for Clark County School District homeless students; and, ordered boxed meals from a local restaurant, Belmont's American Eatery in Anthem Village for the Feed the Homeless initiative. The club also donated 1000 hygiene kits, cleansing wipes and pillowcases for the Navajo Nation and refugees."

Jordana Lane again announced that [District Assembly](#) will be held via internet every Thursday evening during the month of June (see schedule following). Everyone should have received invitations already by email. Or click on the District Assembly link in the preceding sentence.

2020-21 On-Line District Assembly Training

Scheduled Trainings:

Board of Directors Training — June 2 @6pm
District Assembly General Session — June 4 @6pm
District Assembly Public Image Session — June 11 @6pm
District Assembly Membership Session — June 18 @6pm
District Assembly Foundation Session — June 25 @6pm

Registration - Does Not Require DACdb Login

**Registration for District 5300
Rotarians**

Jordana Lane also announced that her presidential retreat will be held on June 19-20 at the Casablanca Hotel in Mesquite.

Keith Thomas and Rebecca Collette discussed the possibility of obtaining “Rotary” branded facemasks. Rebecca has obtained some that were going to be used at the Rotary International convention before it was cancelled. Here is an image of those masks:



When Keith visited Lighthouse Charities (see their brochure attached), one of the items he noticed that the refugees were sewing was facemasks. He is going to find out if they can do something for our club using our logo:



Or we may be able to work with the [company](#) that produced the RI masks. The company also has some pretty cool Hawaiian Rotary shirts. Check them out at the link in the preceding sentence. For all you pin collectors out there, they also have the official RI convention pin:



(Rebecca was gracious enough to gift Keith with a mask and a pin!) We'll keep you posted.

Jack Woodcock provided an update on the real estate market. He said his business had been deemed an “essential business” so he has continued to be very busy. They are now showing homes “virtually” which is changing how they deal with customers. He did note that the inventory of homes on the market has decreased somewhat. Of more concern, however, is the impact that COVID-19 may have on the commercial real estate market, particularly if companies find that their employees can work remotely and they don’t need to provide offices where employees go to work everyday.

Scott Baranoff regaled the members with a slightly ribald observation (not unusual for a urology-specialist doctor, I suppose). Once again, your scribe failed to record all the details. Suffice it to say that it had something to do with an OB-GYN doctor, who after visiting with a mother and her daughter in his office, immediately rushed to his office window and began staring intently at the sky. After some time, the mother asked what he was doing. He said, “The last time this happened, a star rose in the east and three wise men came riding in on camels and I’ll be darned if I’m going to miss it”

Gifts for the President – once again nobody stepped forward. I guess it is hard to find a “virtual pair of socks.”

TODAY’S SPEAKER

Today’s speaker was Gregory Gudenkauf – Director of Development at Opportunity Village. He has worked in many roles at Opportunity Village over the past five years supporting people with disabilities in Southern Nevada. Gregory currently serves as the Director of Development, coordinating OV’s Major Gifts efforts, annual giving, legacy giving program and raising funds for OV’s Capital Campaign. Before joining Opportunity Village, Gregory served as a consultant for the Nevada Community Foundation and the Resource Development Manager for the Nevada Law Foundation. Gregory has served as Part-time Graduate Instructor for the Public Administration Department at University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Gregory earned a Master’s Degree in Public Administration from UNLV and taught undergraduate courses as a Graduate Assistant. Gregory earned a Bachelor’s Degree in Psychology from The Ohio State University and worked in the Group for Attitudes and Persuasion Lab conducting studies on power, persuasion, and self-validation. Gregory spent last three years volunteering his time as the Treasurer of the Association of Fundraising Professionals – Las Vegas Chapter.

Notable items mentioned included:

1. In NV, OV is the largest employer of disabled people who have a national unemployment rate of 80% (in NV it is 60%, thanks to OV.)
2. They have a “Pathway to Work” program.
3. They are building a residential apartment facility (Betty’s Village) next to the Buffalo campus.
4. Their focus includes “therapeutic respite program”, “live, learn, grow curriculum”, “pathway to work”, and the “arts”.
5. They have a walk-in shredding facility at their Henderson campus.
6. Their people are in 60 sites on any given day.

A copy of his presentation slides is attached hereto.



District 5300

HIGHLIGHTER

Headers

June 2020 Edition

Governor Line

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A message from the Governor

June marks Fellowship month for Rotary. There is no better time than now to recognize the powerful impact our fellowship has in humanity. Our connections and interactions drive our service, drive our execution of well laid out plans, and drive our heartfelt caring of each other. These are the characteristics that Paul Harris would be most proud.

Imagine what it must have been like to sit at the table with Paul Harris and others responsible for not only the chartering of Rotary but the building of the foundation that would make the organization stand the test of time. This is what each and everyone one of you do each time you sit at the table of Rotary in your clubs. Yes, you are responding to local challenges and the assistance to those in most need; however, you are also building a foundation for all that follow. What is the legacy you would like to leave behind? What is the foundation you are building that others will talk about in 10, 15, 20, 100 years?

Soon, we will have the ability to meet in person once again. It is my hope that we will take the time at that first meeting to just pause for one minute and think about what our fellowship will look like as we venture into a whole new era of service, technology, and the ongoing efforts against the COVID-19 pandemic.

In this edition we have posted service efforts that took place in May. Keep in mind that this does not represent all the efforts of our clubs and members, it is only a sampling based on what the clubs submitted to the district for the newsletter. Take time to look at the projects, find new ways to partner with other clubs and grow the fellowship between clubs. This is the fellowship Paul Harris imagined. Let's honor the legacy of Rotary by continuing to build on the amazing and impactful stones of our Foundation.

Finally, keep an eye out for a Special Edition of the Highlighter later this month as we highlight key recognitions and officially hand off the baton to the class of 2020-2021.

As always, I thank you for your incredible passion, service, and humanity. Most of all, thank you for connecting the world to make it a better place.

Hugs

Mama Lu

Text 2 Give



Jul 1, 2021
YOUR MESSAGE ...
"LEAVE FOR YOU SO MUCH ... LEAVE THIS POSTCARD DOWN THE ROSE PARADE PROTECT TODAY ON A FLOAT! TAKE CARE!
YOUR NAME
BEAR CHILD COLD DON'T BE WARMER ANYONE YOU CARE FOR IN THE SKIN BEST! ENJOY THE MOST THANK YOU!

We are all aware that these are uniquely challenging times. Rotarians must stand together and lead with "Service Above Self". It is in the spirit of hope and promise that I come to you for help. I'm a member of The Rotary Rose Parade Float Committee. Our District is one of the 6 Founding Districts which have supported the Committee and the Float for over forty years. While it may not be ideal to be asking at this time, I feel it is my obligation to offer you the opportunity to help where it is truly needed now.

So, how can you help? We are offering an opportunity to place a personalized message on the next Float! This personalized message will be on a postcard that will actually ride on the float, and then be sent to you or a person of your choosing immediately following The Rose Parade. Your message can celebrate a birth, a wedding – really anything. Be a part of the next Rose Parade. For a manageable US \$25.00 donation to the Float Committee, you will have your message on the float and get (or give) an utterly unique souvenir to be cherished for years to come. Your donation will help support this forty plus year tradition. I've done this and I am asking you the kindness, if at all possible, that you consider doing it as well.

It is super easy – text RIDE to (626)346-8013 to get started – that is all it takes.

Thank you for all you continue to do under the banner of Rotary.

Virtual International Convention Schedule At A Glance

We hope you will register and take time out of your busy schedules to participate in the first virtual International Convention. The schedule at a glance is below. For more information, please visit the convention website regularly at <https://www.riconvention.org/en>.

July 20 June



Lu Arredondo District Governor 2019-2020
Greg Jones Gov. Elect 2020-2021
Betsy McDonough Barry Gov. Nominee 2021-2022
Roger Gutierrez Gov. Designate 2022-2023
John Cl Immediate District Go

A Fond Farewell

Saturday, June 6, 2020



The Rotary Club of Altadena is sad to announce the death of Mr. Julius Johnson. He was of the club since 1996. He served as Club President in 2012-2013 and was a Paul Harris Fellow a lawyer for more than 35 years, Julius loved mentoring youths. He was very active with Gamma Zeta Boule Foundation in Pasadena. During his year as President, he helped the club get a Global Grant to teach Entrepreneurship in the country of Nigeria, Africa. He also went on the trip that year to help teach young adults to start a business. Julius was the father of two sons and a daughter.

PEPPA and The Rotary Foundation

By Luanne Arredondo



The day started like any other Saturday - the sun was high in the CA sky and there was a soft breeze coming Except, on this particular Saturday (May 8, 2020) our District 5300 Foundation Chair, Susan Johnson and Reti Chief and Governors Aide, Donald Fernald and I were meeting at Don's house to break open PEPPA the pig. In thanks to all the clubs in the District and the countless Rotarians that donated, we were able to not only reach our goal of 1 vaccination per member but exceeded that goal. By the time the counting was done, PEPPA held \$2,438.88 in loose bills, change and even a check! I cannot thank you enough for the kindness you showed in helping me I Aunt Sue and ensure that we continued our fight to end polio. If COVID-19 has shown us anything, it has shown us how quickly a virus can spread. As long as there is even 1 case of the polio virus left in this world, it has the potential to re-ignite a new pandemic of polio. I hope you will continue to give - even loose change adds up.

- Pakistan. 47 cases in 2020. 147 cases in 2019
- Afghanistan. 12 cases in 2020. 29 cases in 2019.
- Nigeria. No cases in 2020. No cases since 2016. The entire African region is on track to be declared polio free this year.

Donate at rotary.org before the end of June if you are able to add more loose change. We are closer than you imagine.

Healthy Living Lectures

By Yulanda Davis-Quarrie

Our Healthy Living initiatives continue through June. Join us on June 10 at 6:30 pm for Deedee Mascarenas, LMFT lecture on "Finding Balance and Calm in Today's World".

A second lecture is scheduled on June 17 at 7:00 pm by our very own Sheila Gutierrez, LMFT as she discusses "You but Get Out of My Kitchen". Both lectures are filled with great information to help all of us and our communities begin to phase out of the Safe At Home Orders and begin to navigate in a changed world. Invite your friend or family to join in.

D5300 Club Service Soars in May

- 8:00 – 9:15 Chicago Time (UTC-5) – *Together We Connect* – Virtual Convention General Session 1
- 14:00 - 15:15 – London/Lagos Time
- 21:00 - 22:15 – Taipei Time

Sunday 21 June

- 8:00 – 9:15 Chicago Time (UTC-5) – *Together We Learn* – Virtual Convention General Session 2
- 14:00 - 15:15 – London/Lagos Time
- 21:00 - 22:15 – Taipei Time

Monday 22 June – Friday 26 June – Featured Breakouts (more details coming soon)

Daily, one breakout will be offered at each of the following times*:

- 8:00 – 9:00 Chicago Time (UTC-5)
- 12:00 – 13:00 Chicago Time (UTC-5)
- 18:00 – 19:00 Chicago Time (UTC-5)

*Please be sure to check the date and time that is equivalent to the Chicago date and time in your area

Quick Questions answered by Brad Howard (Past RI Director):

1. Will there be any registration for the sessions or breakouts? I understand that it is free, but not clear on registration.

Attendees will be required to register, but it will be free. This will be required for the official Convention activities – which include the sessions on June 20 and 21 and the 15 breakouts that follow. Following the convention, there will be approximately 50 additional breakouts that are being handled like the Unofficial Affiliated Events that are traditionally a part of our conventions (e.g., Zone breakfasts, district events, special meetings, etc.) Those breakouts will be run, organized, produced and marketed by the organizer of the breakout. So, if the XYZ RAG wants to hold a breakout, they will be listed in the convention "program." However, the XYZ RAG will have to publicize the event, decide how it will be operated (e.g., Zoom, Skype, other), create and present the program, etc. Rotary's only involvement is to list them in the program and give them minimum requirements to ensure that they are on brand, an approved topic, and accountable if something goes sideways. For these breakouts, each one will decide if you have to register, or just show up. That will be communicated in their marketing materials.

2. Will the session be recorded for later viewing? The general sessions are at 6 a.m. on the west coast, and this question has come up already.

Yes, the challenge for living on the West Coast in an international organization. We are trying to make the convention available to North and South America, Europe and much of south Asia. Therefore, we have to get up at the crack of dawn. EVERYTHING that is a part of our official convention program will be recorded and stored in one location on the RI website. We have been emphatic that it must be easy to find the Honolulu convention materials and they should all be in one place. Further, some of them will go through post production so that they will be in shorter segments that can be used in clubs – I am trying to get them to produce a few 3 minute segments, and 20 minute segments so that clubs of every size can find time in their meetings. Stay tuned.



celebrated with 500 kits, free pizza and Monster energy drinks.

Rotary Club of Pahump Valley High School's Interact Club donated \$1,000 to the fund for a graduation D provided to every graduating senior, free of charge.

Rotary Club of Glendora continued their efforts in May by helping with physical safety and assisting with the needs of people that have been financially affected. To stop the spread of the virus they have been distributing sanitizer, and some protective equipment. In addition they donated cash and food to Shepherd's Pantry; and, money to purchase hygiene products, gift cards for groceries/target/gas etc. to the Charter Oak School District Community liaison and to the Glendora Welfare Association.

Rotary Club of San Gabriel Valley New Gen continues to donate ear guards to area hospitals and group I people with disabilities. 700 ear guards have been approved for distribution.

Rotary Club of Las Vegas Southwest continued donations to the Nevada Partnership for Homeless Youth, Homeless Alliance to help in their placement of COVID-19 vulnerable homeless in motel rooms, Project 150 to their food distribution for Clark County School District homeless students; and, ordered boxed meals from a local restaurant, Belmont's American Eatery in Anthem Village for the Feed the Homeless initiative. The club also did 1000 hygiene kits, cleansing wipes and pillowcases for the Navajo Nation and refugees.

Rotary Club of Altadena continued to support the 12 - scholarships to High School Seniors (along with 2 m school graduates) despite the physical closure of the schools in Pasadena Unified School District. We budgeted raised earlier in the year) the \$13,000 necessary for this program. In addition, the club donated \$1000 worth of books to Families Forward Learning Center. The club also held the 1st annual Sidewalk Chalk Contest to let showcase their humanity, hope, and life. Prizes were given and the local Sheriff sounded the siren and met with family. Flags were placed on Lake Ave for Memorial Day; and, food donations were provided to local families through collaborations with St Vincent de Paul Conference at St Elizabeth Church and Outward Bound Advent

Rotary Club of Claremont gave a \$20,000 grant to Inland Valley Hope Partners to help meet their needs. It was made possible by a \$10,000 donation from a local family which the club then matched from current and funds. They recognized Bernadette Kendall for engaging the Hartenstein family in club efforts.

Rotary Club of East Los Angeles donated \$350 for food, provided 230 face coverings, several cases of disinfectant gloves and diapers to La Casa del Anciano, a Senior Home in Ensenada. In addition, the club donated \$250 to Shop for the purchase of food to donate to those in need. Members have also been donating much needed blankets to the Red Cross. They just completed a volunteer effort in the Garage Board Friday Food Bank serving local families.

Rotary Club of LaVerne posted Rotary signs at major intersections of the City showing Rotary Cares and how we can reach out to us.

Rotary Club of Mesquite delivers meals on wheels and donated face masks to the local senior center and served lunch through a drive through lunch service for the Seniors. In addition, the club donated masks to the Unified School district so they would have enough masks to start their summer program.

Rotary Club of Claremont Sunrise donated 500 protective masks, 240 bottles of hand sanitizer, provided food for seniors and families, conducted member wellness calls, and reduced member dues.

Rotary Club of Green Valley is hosting a 12-month virtual field of honor recognizing those that have served our community. The recognition extends this year to also include paramedics, nurses, doctors, truck drivers, grocery workers, delivery drivers, teachers, hospitals, our neighbors and the many other heroes who have stepped forward to help with COVID-19...because every flag tells a story. Virtual Flags purchased now will become live flags in the Field of Honor. In addition, the club is donating Food baskets to local families in need.

Peace Scholar Applicant Carli Barnum

By William Payne



Carli Barnum has just been approved to apply for a Peace Fellowship scholarship by her school, Green Valley/Julie Todd, and by the District Peace Foundation Committee. Upon successful completion of her application, Carli will be informed if her application was successful in November, for study a year later. Her first choice of Rotary Peace Universities is Uppsala, Sweden. Each year, RI chooses 85 applicants to attend its 6 universities. Carli, if successful, will join other District 5300 candidates who have been awarded this two-year Peace Fellowship, worth some \$75,000. Carli is currently living and working in the Dominican Republic.

Rotaplast Mission to Nepal Update

By Roger J. Schulte on Saturday, June 6, 2020



Because of the world-wide pandemic all upcoming surgical missions for this year and all of 2021 have been cancelled due to safety concerns for mission volunteers and patients as well as restrictions related to travel, elective surgery and quarantines.

Once it is safe to travel and perform surgeries in developing countries, Rotaplast will develop a new schedule of missions. This will obviously not occur for some time. Sadly our mission scheduled to Chitwan, Nepal between March and April 4, 2021 will not take place.

We will not be accepting non-medical applications for this mission. Once Rotaplast staff develops a new schedule of missions, our District Rotaplast Committee will enter into an agreement with Rotaplast related to co-sponsoring them. At that time we will inform district clubs and Rotarians of the particulars. If you have budgeted funds for this mission, you can either send them into the district office and we will allocate them toward the next mission or defer them to the 2021-22 Rotary year.

We encourage clubs to schedule programs during this upcoming year by our non-medical volunteers served on our last mission to Agra, India.

Saving Smiles...Changing Lives

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ABOUT US

Lighthouse Charities is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization based in Las Vegas, Nevada that serves refugees and at-risk families. Our goal is to assist refugees and at-risk families in becoming self-reliant. We do this by temporarily providing for their immediate needs (food, clothing, etc.), as well as offering ESL classes, cultural mentoring, and employment assistance.

VOLUNTEER

Lighthouse Charities allows entire families to volunteer together. It is through the mobilization of volunteers that we are able to help so many people at once.

Here are some ways you can volunteer:

- Help at our warehouse
- Adopt and mentor a refugee family
- Host a job skills workshop
- Host a drive collecting needed items and donated goods
- Help out at our annual events (Operation Lighthouse and Refugee Recognition Ceremony)
- Be a translator

There are even more ways available to volunteer. Visit our website or inquire with one of our team members for more ways you can help.



DONATE

Your generosity allows Lighthouse Charities to help thousands of refugees and at-risk families. Even small donations can have a big impact on the lives of many. Please donate by filling out the form below, or by visiting our website:

www.LighthouseCharities.net/take-action

One-Time Donation

Recurring Donation

\$10 \$50 \$200

\$25 \$100 Other Amt: _____

Full Name: _____

Company: _____

Billing Address: _____

State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone: () _____

Email: _____

Method of Payment (Please Circle One. Checks made payable to Lighthouse Charities):

MasterCard VISA Cash Check

Credit Card Details:

Expiration: _____ / _____ CVV Code: _____

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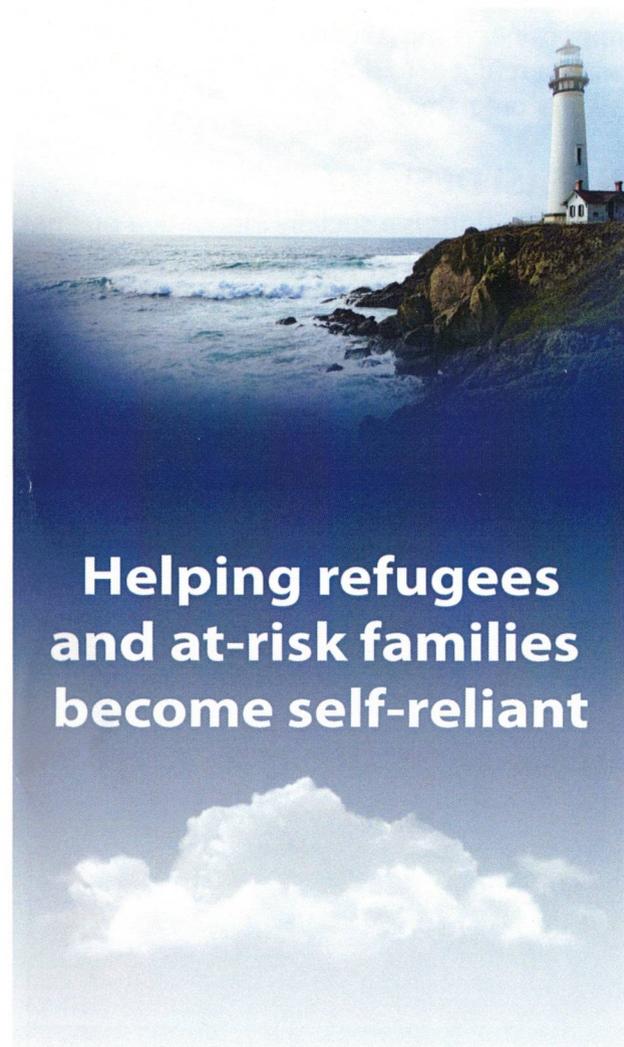
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PARTNERED ORGANIZATIONS

Catholic Charities of Southern Nevada, American Red Cross, African Community Center (ECDC), Stupak Community Center, Nevada Division of Welfare, Clark County School District, Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department, The Las Vegas Rescue Mission



LIGHTHOUSE CHARITIES



Helping refugees and at-risk families become self-reliant

Have any questions, or want to learn about how you can be a sponsor or volunteer? Visit our website:

www.LighthouseCharities.net

OPERATION LIGHTHOUSE

Operation Lighthouse is our annual resource fair. This event is a one stop shop for refugee families. We provide medical, dental, and vision screenings. We distribute thousands of pounds of food, toys, hygiene items, books, clothing, school supplies, and English language learning tools. We provide entertainment activities for kids (Dance teams and sports), haircuts, and employment opportunities and resources. We also provide a way for refugees to sign up for our Grant a Wish/ Mentor program.

NAFASI DESIGNS

Nafasi Designs is a socially innovative business designed to give opportunity to refugees by training them to make marketable crafts and helping them to sell these items online, and through partnered vendors. By teaching them new skills and even helping them to discover hidden talents, we are giving them a sense of purpose, self worth, and contribution. We currently have over 30 refugee artisans employed by Nafasi Designs.



GRANT A WISH / MENTOR

We connect you with refugee families to mentor them and grant their "wishes" (immediate needs). Mentor families teach refugees things like how to use a can opener, and other every day things they need to know. They also help refugee families to obtain needed items like furniture, clothing, and hygiene products. Through continued mentoring and friendship, mentors assist the families with job search and cultural assimilation.



PROVIDE FOR AT-RISK FAMILIES

Lighthouse Charities assists the families of numerous organizations to provide food, clothing, furniture, and household items to at-risk families and refugees.

ESL AND JOB TRAINING /PLACEMENT

We provide English as a Second Language classes, job skills workshops, job training, and job placement assistance. By teaching families English and other job skills, we are helping them to become more independent and self-reliant.

SCHOOL PANTRIES

We currently have school pantries in 5 CCSD Title-I schools. These pantries are stocked with food, clothing, hygiene items, bedding, and school supplies. Lighthouse also partners with local grocery stores to reduce food waste and distribute food not only to these school pantries, but also to the pantries in Catholic Charities of Southern Nevada, and the Las Vegas Rescue Mission. Through these partnerships and pantries, Lighthouse Charities was able to feed over 170,000 people in 2016.



SCHOOL PANTRIES AND UNIFORMS

Through a partnership with CCSD, Lighthouse Charities provides all incoming refugee students with backpacks, school supplies, and school uniforms. We also fill clothing and hygiene orders for these students throughout the year.

EDUCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIPS

Lighthouse Charities has a scholarship fund for the refugee graduates to provide them with an opportunity to go to college. We also co-hosted the first annual Refugee Recognition Ceremony (May 2017) to acknowledge the achievements of our refugee students and encourage them to continue to further their education.



A Lighthouse Charities program that provides healing, opportunity, and empowerment for refugee women striving to become self-reliant.



Did you know?

Nafasi means “opportunity” or “favorable circumstance” in Swahili.

Many refugee women struggle to find work because of language and cultural barriers. By teaching them new skills and helping them to discover hidden talents that have been buried under years of suffering and hardships, Nafasi provides them with a sense of purpose, self-worth, and contribution.

Nafasi Designs is a program created with the sole purpose of providing employment for the unemployable. A favorable circumstance for new-found artisans to develop new skills by creating beautiful handcrafted pieces, and earning an income to help provide for their families.





PRIDE. PURPOSE. AND A PAYCHECK.

PRIDE



Therapeutic respite program

- ▶ Sensory Processing
- ▶ Physical , intellectual and social stimulation
- ▶ Assistive technology training
- ▶ Community outings
- ▶ Communication
- ▶ Technology

Live, Learn, Grow Curriculum

- ▶ Life skills, vocational training, meaningful hobbies

ENABLE

Rehabilitative initiatives

- ▶ Hand over hand prompting
 - ▶ Motor skills
 - ▶ Essential life skills
 - ▶ Volunteerism
 - ▶ Community outings
 - ▶ Technology
-
- ▶ Live, Learn, Grow Curriculum



JOB DISCOVERY PROGRAM



JDP 1

- YMCA
- Sunrise Children's Foundation Early Head Start
- Opportunity Village
- Lied Animal Foundation
- Project 150

JDP 2

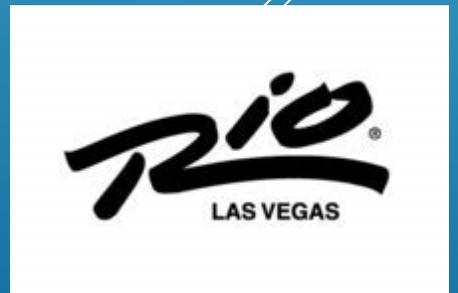
- City of Henderson Heritage Park Senior Facility
- Culinary Academy
- St. Rose San Martin Hospital
- Three Square



PATHWAY TO WORK



- Pre-vocational Training
 - 3-6 months
 - Goal: Transition into full-time or part-time community employment
 - At or above minimum wage
- Classroom based learning
- Real-world job experiences
- OV Job Developers
 - Job Searches
 - Resume and interview prep
 - Job Coaching
 - Advocacy
 - Follow along services



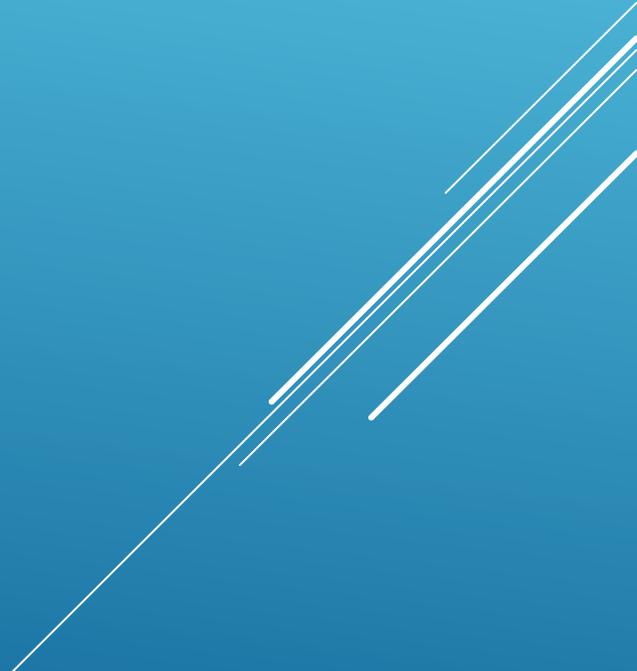
THE ARTS



- One of the largest and most progressive fine arts programs for people with disabilities in Nevada
- Dance, Music, Drama, Visual Arts, Woodshop
- Track system
- OVation



NEIGHBORHOOD CLUB – GREEN VALLEY

- Serve people closer to amenities
 - Libraries, athletic clubs, grocery stores
 - Decrease travel time
 - Improve integration
 - Pilot for long term
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EMPLOYMENT



Pride, Purpose and a Paycheck

Employment Resource Center

- “Narrow band”

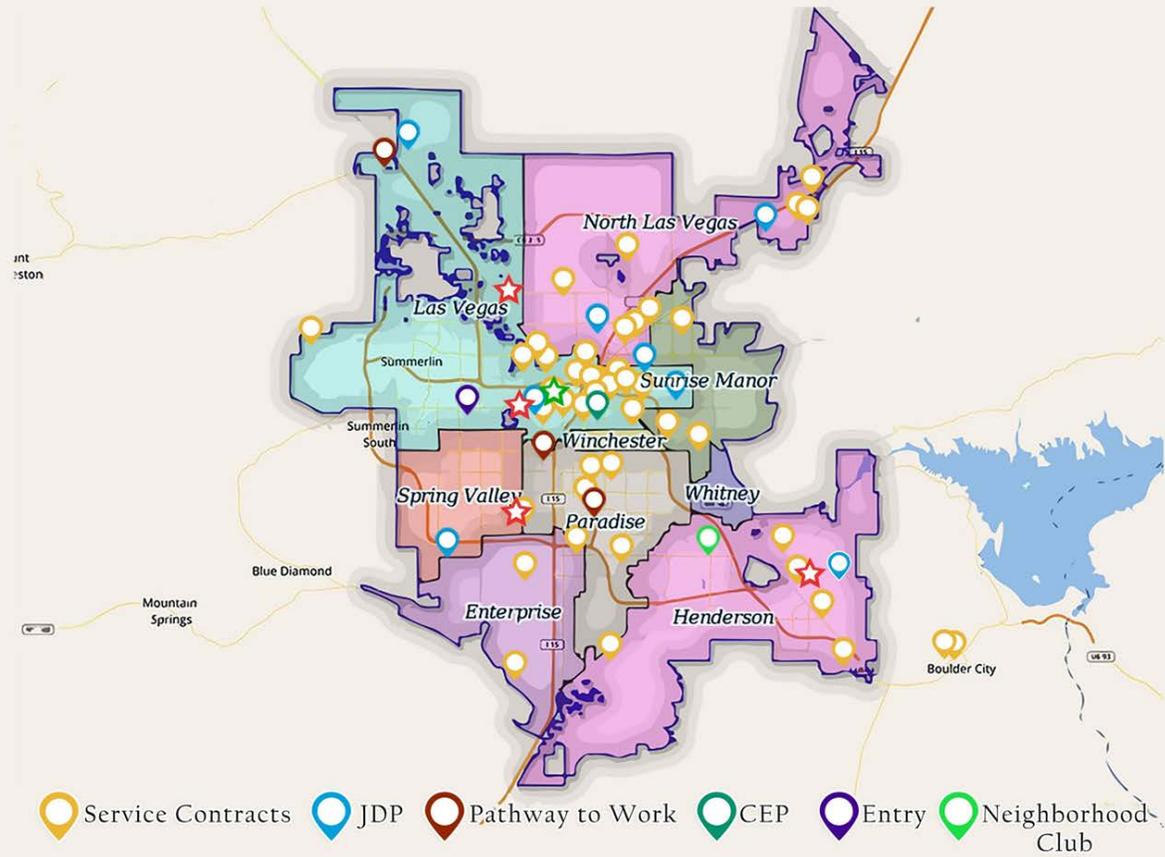
Community Contracts

- Clark County Government Center
- Lloyd D George Federal Courthouse
- Southwest gate at McCarren Airport
- Red Rock Visitors Center

- Service Contracts
 - Custodial Services
 - 4.5 million sq. ft. – Government and Commercial office space
 - Parking lot porter services
 - 8 million sq. ft.
- Nellis Air Force Base
 - Two dining facilities
 - Incoming and outgoing mail
 - 218k pieces of mail a year
- Media Management
 - Allows for opportunities for growth into more mature employment
 - Microfilm
 - Over 400k microfilm frames scanned and indexed – each month
 - Shredding
 - 8 tons a day
 - Document imaging / scanning
 - 800k - 1.2 MILLION receipts – each month
 - 800k documents scanned and indexed - each month



OV PRIMARY LOCATIONS



OV SERVICES & PROGRAMS

INTENSIVE SUPPORTS

NON CENTER-BASED PROGRAMS

CENTER-BASED PROGRAMS

01

DAY HABILITATION

02

PREVOCATIONAL

03

SUPPORTED EMPLOYMENT

NEIGHBORHOOD CLUB

JOB PLACEMENTS
ASSESSMENTS
SERVICE CONTRACTS
RETAIL
PTW
ENTRY
CEP
JOP I & II

FOLLOW ALONG SERVICES
JOB COACHING
SERVICE CONTRACTS
RETAIL
ADVOCACY

PRIDE
ENABLE
FPA

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* ERC PROGRAM / MM
* KR CULINARY

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IN-HOUSE CUSTODIAL
IN-HOUSE LAUNDRY
ASSESSMENTS
JOB PLACEMENTS

ERC PROGRAM
ERC OPERATIONS / MM
KR CULINARY
IN-HOUSE CUSTODIAL
FOLLOW ALONG SERVICES
JOB COACHING
ADVOCACY

REDUCED SUPPORTS



BETTY'S VILLAGE





AMBASSADORS