

Our Foundation at Work

Congratulations to 2026-2027 Competitive Grant Recipients!

By Kay Williamson

Rotary District 6900 is proud to announce the recipients of this year's Competitive Grant Awards, investing \$41,500 from our District funds from The Rotary Foundation in seven innovative service projects that will improve lives, strengthen communities, and promote Rotary's mission of creating hope and building peace. Congratulations to the **Rotary Clubs of Buckhead, Dougherty County, Meriwether County, Georgia North Atlanta Professional Alliance (NAPA), North Fulton, Peachtree City and Vinings Cumberland**. Read more about what these clubs are planning to do.

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Share Your Ideas with Rotary International

By Mary Ligon
Did you know that every Rotary club has a direct path to influence Rotary International's future? Through the Council on Resolutions, clubs can submit ideas and suggestions for the RI Board of Directors to consider. This is your opportunity to highlight issues, recommend improvements, and share innovative ideas that can strengthen Rotary worldwide.

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LEADERBOARD

Check out the full district scoreboard

Here are the clubs that are leading the way in our district for membership, annual fund and polio plus.

Category	NET	ANNUAL FUND	POLIO PLUS
	MEMBERSHIP		
I	South Cobb Hills	Emory-Druid Hills	Brookhaven Hills
II	Bremen	Jackson-Butts County	Sandy Springs
III	North Columbus	Vinings Cumberland	Dougherty County (Albany)
IV	Dunwoody	Dunwoody	Carrollton-Dawn Breakers
V	Peachtree City	Alpharetta	North Cobb County

Key Dates

Tuesday, August 25th, 2026	North Fulton District Governor Cynthia Edwards Visit
Thursday, August 27th, 2026	North Atlanta Governor Visit
Tuesday, September 1st, 2026	Americus Governor Visit
Wednesday, September 2nd, 2026	Cordele Governor Visit
Wednesday, September 2nd, 2026	On The Flint, Albany Governor Visit
Thursday, September 3rd, 2026	Albany Governor Visit
Tuesday, September 8th, 2026	Bainbridge Governor Visit
Wednesday, September 9th, 2026	Cairo Governor Visit



Rotary Youth Exchange Rotary Welcomes 2026-27 RYE Students

By Bob MacDonald
In August, Rotary Youth Exchange Southeast welcomed 15 inbound high school students from 14 countries for Inbound Orientation at Lake Yale, Florida. This included our three District 6900 Inbound students, from Latvia, Brazil and Italy.
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Tuesday,
September
15th, 2026

**Stone
Mountain
Governor Visit**

Monday,
September 21st,
2026

**Senoia
Governor Visit**

Tuesday,
September
22nd, 2026

**Meriwether
County
Governor Visit**



End Polio Now

How Far We've Come in Such a Short Time!

By Bob Hagan

This month I want to take a look at truly how far we have come in stamping out polio and how it really has only been a march of approximately 40 years where we Rotarians have been involved in the fight. Think back on the arrival of the Polio vaccine developed by Dr. Jonas Salk in 1953. It was declared to be fully safe and began widespread use in the United States in 1955 saving thousands of lives.

It might be easy for Rotarians to think we have been involved in the fight going back to those early days of the 1950's, however that actually isn't true. We didn't become part of this fight until 1985, a mere 40 years ago and did you know that as recently as 1988 over 350,000 children were paralyzed by polio worldwide striking children in over 125 countries. Now with the help of Rotary in partnership with the World Health Organization, the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, and UNICEF the number has decreased by over 99.9% worldwide with only two countries today where the wild Polio virus can be found. They are Afghanistan and Pakistan.

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Training/Service
Opportunity

Become a CPR & AED Instructor

By Dan Jenkins
The **Rotary Club of North Fulton** is partnering with Wellstar to offer three upcoming opportunities for Rotarians to become certified CPR and AED instructors - with classes on September 26, October 24 and November 14. We've created a simple program to get you trained and certified—and, just as importantly, to support you as you begin teaching CPR classes in your community. We can help you set up classes and connect with local first responders to make this critical initiative a success. Read on for more about the classes and what you need to do to enroll. [\[more\]](#)



Club News

Atlanta Southern Crescent Help Kindergartener Begin School Year with Confidence

By Trina Kolawole

Recently, a Rotarian from the **Rotary Club of Atlanta Southern Crescent** came across a heartfelt social media post shared by respected community leader Crystal Perry, founder of Melanated Pearl Corp. In her post, Crystal shared the story of a hardworking father who had recently secured employment but had been living in his car with his daughter, who is preparing to begin kindergarten this fall. Inspired by Crystal's post, the Rotarians of the Rotary Club of Atlanta Southern Crescent wanted to help make the little girl's first year of school even more special. The club generously pooled together \$300 and shopped for a variety of items from a wish list provided by Dad. [more]

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Ready to Discover?

Are you curious about who we are and what we do?

Would you like to network and meet new friends?

Would you like to make a world of difference in a short period of time?

If so, this is your chance to learn, connect, and discover how to be a part of one of the most impactful organizations in the world!

We cannot wait to see you there!

Lunch is on us!

Dougherty County Featured on WALB Town & Country

By Rebecca McCathern
Dougherty County Rotary Club was proud to be featured on WALB's *Town & Country* program this August, shining a spotlight on the impact Rotary makes right here in our community. During the segment, Club President Jessica McMullian and Membership Chair Patrice Williams sat down to discuss the true purpose of Rotary — Service Above Self — and shared how our members are making a difference locally. The feature aired during New Member Month, giving viewers a firsthand look at what it means to be part of Rotary and an invitation to get involved. **Watch the segment** and share it within your own networks. [more]



Carrollton-Dawnbreakers Fill Little Free Pantries

By Laurie Fleck

Carrollton Dawnbreakers Rotarians came together to help feed 700 neighbors in need through a service project benefiting the community's Little Free Pantries. Club members prepared meal bags containing recipes and all the nonperishable ingredients needed to feed a family of four. The completed bags were distributed among Carrollton's 15 Little Free Pantries, providing families with everything they need to prepare a meal at home.

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North Fulton Installs Landscaping for Habitat Home

By Lisa Gelber
North Fulton Rotary members joined Habitat for Humanity North Central Georgia one hot August Saturday to complete landscaping around a new home built for a single mother and her two teenage daughters. The project focused on preparing the yard to be safe and welcoming for the family.
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