

DIK Southern Region Annual Report 2008-09

Southern Region Australia of Rotary International consists of Districts and Clubs in Victoria and Tasmania.

Southern Region Districts and Clubs 2009

District 9780 - 61 Clubs

District 9790 - 60 Clubs

District 9800 - 70 Clubs

District 9810 - 52 Clubs

District 9820 - 51 Clubs

District 9830 (Tasmania) - 48 Clubs

Donations In Kind (DIK) is a program whereby Rotarians and Rotary Clubs source surplus goods and products within Australia that have no further use here. These goods however, are valuable to those in needy countries. A central co-ordination committee stores, packs and dispatches the goods to needy countries. There are currently four DIK storage depots in the greater Melbourne Metropolitan area located at Essendon Airport, Footscray, Pakenham and Geelong. Separate facilities are located in Tasmania in Hobart and Launceston.

Recipient countries include Timor Leste, Papua New Guinea, Fiji, Solomon Islands, Vanuatu, Tonga, Indonesia, Thailand, Nepal, Sri Lanka, Kenya, Zambia.

Partnerships with Rotary DIK

We continue to work with a number of partners on various projects.

Daniel Zuzek from Boab Medical put me in touch with a number contacts with offers of donations of medical goods.

Daniel is truly a "Friend of Rotary", with his contacts and ongoing support of DIK.

We also value the help and expertise of the Victorian Student Aid Program (VSAP) who are of medical students, resident in International House, Melbourne University. They came over to the Essendon Store to help sort out and repack medical items for us.

We continue to receive donations of goods, particularly from "Friends of Rotary" and some individual Rotarians. Naturally, we cannot ask our "Friends" for funds to send their goods over to third world countries, as they have been more than generous with their donation of goods.

We are continuing to seek funds from Clubs for DIK.

There were a number of times goods were transferred between DIK depots to help fulfil “wish lists”. Once again we are indebted to our volunteers.

I want to remind all Rotarians that in the financial year 2008-09 DIK Southern Region was a \$5 million enterprise. This is a slight decrease over last year of \$2.2 million.

Goods were valued at \$4.4 million
 Volunteer labour valued at \$610,000

(See separate table below)

Individual reports of each District are available on their District web sites.

I want to inform all Clubs of the availability of speakers on DIK. Contact your District International chair. Once again I would ask that all Clubs put aside some funds for DIK.

As Southern Region Co-ordinator, I wish to continue and consolidate liaison between Districts and Regions for expertise, ideas and goods for distribution to developing countries.

I would like to continue to raise the profile of DIK as a worthwhile program of Rotary.

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District	Containers Consigned	Goods Value	Shipping Cost	Local Freight	Consumables	Volunt Hrs	Mgr Hrs	Ldr Hrs
9780	19	\$900,000.00	\$74,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$6,000.00	3668		530
9790	1	\$6,170.00	\$1,280.00		\$93.00	400	200	
9800	27	\$2,000,000.00	\$156,000.00	\$7,800.00	\$960.00	11520		1440
9810	Shared					18		
9820	11	\$1,200,000.00	\$36,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$10,000.00	8245		1600
9830	1	\$30,000.00	\$7,900.00		\$100.00	150	10	48
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TOTALS	59	\$4,136,170.00	\$275,180.00	\$25,800.00	\$17,153.00	24001	210	3618

				Hours	AusAid	Value
					Rate	
Project Assistant Volunteer				24001	\$18.60	\$446,418.60
Hours						
Project Manager Volunteer				210	\$31.30	\$6,573.00
Hours						
Team Leader Volunteer Hours				3618	\$43.59	\$157,708.62
				TOTALS	27829	\$610,700.22

Goods Value						\$4,136,170.00
Freight Costs						\$300,980.00
Consumables						\$17,153.00
Volunteer Value						\$610,700.22
				TOTAL		\$5,065,003.22