

Cupertino Rotarians Step- Up In Support Against The Covid-19 Pandemic

In Partnership with Rotary Club of Kaohsiung West, Taiwan



Cupertino, Apr 15, 2020 (Issuewire.com) - Cupertino Rotary (www.cupertinorotary.org) has embarked on a concerted effort to help reduce the spread of the COVID-19 virus through the donation of 3,000 face protective masks by the Rotary Club of Kaohsiung West in Taiwan, a Rotary partner.

As of the date of this press release, the protective masks were delivered to:

Santa Clara County of Sheriff's headquarters.

Cupertino Sunnyview Retirement Community.

Cupertino Union School District

Fremont Union High School

El Camino Hospital

BACKGROUND ON THE RELATIONSHIP

In 2009 typhoon Morakot, was the deadliest typhoon to impact Taiwan in recorded history, devastating the mountain areas around the city of Kaohsiung. Rotary International pulled together a reconstruction grant partnering the local Rotary Club of Kaohsiung West with a Club in Osaka, Japan and Rotary Club of Cupertino, California.

In 2016, members from these international partners traveled to Kaohsiung to visit the affected areas and review two new projects to help Kaohsiung County mountain children, most rural elementary school students, by helping the school build computer network facilities to connect to the outside world and join online learning classes. The second project included a large water storage tank for their need.

“Now, four years later it is Cupertino that has an urgent need, with the shortage of masks for our first responders and other service providers,” **said Orrin Mahoney, past president of Cupertino Rotary and Past District Governor 5170.**

“Thanks to the connection formed years ago, the President Elect, Joseph Liao. From the Kaohsiung West Club obtained 4000 masks and donated them to the Cupertino Rotary Club for local distribution,” **he added.**

“We thank our international project partner, Rotary club Kaohsiung West of Taiwan, who provided and ordered medical face masks from Shang-Hai and donated to our club to disseminate where needed,” **said Annie Ho, Cupertino Rotary Club member.**

“They plan on sending another shipment to us in the coming weeks, so the effort will continue as we identify more locations and individuals that need protection,” **she added.**

ABOUT THE ROTARY CLUB OF CUPERTINO

Chartered in 1955, the Rotary Club of Cupertino represents a broad cross-section of local residents, businesses, and professions. Members of the club are involved in a wide array of leadership and volunteer activities. Together, we make a difference in both our local community and in communities around the world. The club meets every Wednesday at Noon for the lunch program and a guest speaker at Quinlan Community Center in Cupertino. To learn more, visit our website at www.cupertino Rotary.org



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