

Hawaii Rotary Dictionary Project

Dictionary \Dic"tion*a*ry\, n.;

A book containing the words and a language, arranged alphabetically, with explanations of their meanings: a vocabulary: a wordbook.

Dear Presidents of District 5000 and Club Literacy Chairs

Re: Dictionary Project/Literacy Project

Proposal: Hawaii Rotary Dictionary Project. Rotary clubs throughout Hawaii are asked to adopt a school/s and donate dictionaries to third graders in support of Rotary International's Goal of universal literacy for all.

Why: "A dictionary is perhaps the first and most powerful reference tool that a child should own. Its usefulness goes beyond the spellings, pronunciations, and definitions it lists; it is a companion for solving the problems that arise as a child develops his or her reading, writing, and creative thinking abilities. Students benefit from an increased self-reliance and resourcefulness inspired by the maxim "look it up." Teachers benefit by knowing that their students have consistent access to a tool for homework and in-class explorations". The Dictionary Project

Getting Started

Contact the Principal of each school and ask if they would like to receive these dictionaries for their third grade class. Ask for the number of third grade students and teachers. Which, multiplied by the cost of the dictionaries will equal your club goal. For tax purposes we will also require a letter from the principal accepting the dictionaries.

Cost: \$1.75 per dictionary, delivered. Please order in full cases of 24

Fundraising: Funds to buy dictionaries are raised through donations from club, individuals and local business or use your DSG Funds. All contributions are tax deductible, using our Rotary District 5000 Foundation.

Ordering:

Contact Gloria King, Literacy Chair, District 5000 Tel: 808-737-1991 or email: rekinghi@aol.com All checks are to be made payable to Rotary District 5000 Foundation and send to Gloria King, 619 Onaha Street, Honolulu, Hawaii 96816.

Distribution: Rotary volunteers will visit each school they have adopted to distribute the dictionaries. Students are asked to sign each book with their names. A brief lesson on how to use the book is given, and students are asked to find certain words to demonstrate their comprehension. At the end of the visit, the children are asked to use the dictionary to write a thank you note to the Rotary club.

Labels: Labels are provided to all clubs to include in each dictionary, please include the name of your club under *Donated By:*

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Let's get involved and support our Hawaii Rotary Dictionary project for our children.

Thank you,

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