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ADDICTION PREVENTION

www.rag-ap.org

Rotarian Action Group Addiction Prevention (RAG AP) – Organizes an International group of Rotarian specialists and activists in prevention of substance abuse and addiction.

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ALZHEIMER'S/DEMENTIA

<http://adrag.org>

Alzheimer's/Dementia Rotarian Action Group - Provides information and support to Rotarians as they address dementia and Alzheimer's related issues in their local communities.

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BLINDNESS PREVENTION

www.rag4bp.org

Rotarian Action Group for Blindness Prevention - For Rotarians interested in the prevention of blindness and the promotion of eye health.

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BLOOD DONATION

<http://ourblooddrive.org>

Global Network for Blood Donation, A Rotarian Action Group - An international network of Rotarians involved in blood donation projects that inspire other clubs and districts to ensure that local blood banks are adequately supplied.

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CLUBFOOT

www.rag4clubfoot.org/

RAG4CLUBFOOT (Rotarian Action Group) - Provides global leadership to eliminate clubfoot disability and aims to raise public awareness about clubfoot deformity to reduce the stigma associated with it.

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DIABETES

www.ragdiabetes.org

Rotarian Action Group for Diabetes - Works to educate and assist Rotarians in addressing Diabetes through a strong commitment to education, identification, and treatment of the disease, especially among children.

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DISASTER ASSISTANCE

www.dna-rag.com

Disaster Network of Assistance Rotarian Action Group - Works to develop an interactive network of Rotarians, Rotaractors, and their spouses, and other Rotary affiliated groups to assist with disaster preparedness, communication, and recovery on a worldwide basis.

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DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PREVENTION

<http://www.ragfamsafe.org>

Rotarian Action Group for Family Safety: Breaking the Family Violence Cycle - Works to develop a network of Rotarians, Rotaractors, and their spouses, and other Rotary affiliated groups to reduce Family Violence.

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TREASURER: Gavin Wayland, USA. gwayland@iprimus.com.au (Member, Rotary Club of Balwyn)

ENDANGERED SPECIES

www.endangeredrag.org

Rotarian Action Group for Endangered Species - Works to mobilize Rotarians and provide global awareness and focused action in the continuing struggle to preserve and protect endangered species.

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ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY

www.esrag.org

Environmental Sustainability Rotarian Action Group (ESRAG) - Promotes environmental sustainability, awareness of climate change, and actions to reduce greenhouse gas emissions to mitigate climate disruption.

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FAMILY HEALTH & AIDS PREVENTION

www.rfha.org

Rotarians for Family Health & AIDS Prevention - Works to improve the lives of vulnerable children affected by HIV/AIDS, and strengthen the overall health of their families. RFHA mobilizes Rotarians to provide care, nutrition, education and life skills to mitigate the consequences of the HIV/AIDS pandemic.

CHAIR: Leonard M. Lanzi, USA. lenml@aol.com (Member, Rotary Club of Santa Monica)

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FOOD PLANT SOLUTIONS

<http://foodplantsolutions.org>

Food Plant Solutions Rotarian Action Group - A self-sustainable solution which empowers people to make informed choices about what plants to grow that will nutritionally feed their family.

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HEALTH EDUCATION AND WELLNESS

<http://www.hewrag.org/>

Health Education and Wellness Rotarian Action Group – Promotes good health and wellness through healthy lifestyle choices and disease prevention. HEWRAG works with local Rotary clubs and districts to build sustainable programs that help people achieve and maintain good health by utilizing effective preventions in an integrated way.

CO-CHAIR: Jane Little, USA. rotaryjane@yahoo.com (Member, Rotary Club of Homer Downtown)

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HEARING

www.ifrahl.org

Rotarians for Hearing Rotarian Action Group - Provides Rotarians with information, expertise and encouragement to participate in cooperative, large scale projects to help the children and adults with hearing loss.

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HEPATITIS

www.ragforhepatitiseradication.org

Hepatitis Eradication Rotarian Action Group - Works to eradicate Hepatitis C globally.

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LITERACY

www.litrag.org

Literacy Rotarian Action Group - Works to increase the scale and effectiveness of literacy programs, as well as create a sustainable network of effective Rotarian literacy practitioners throughout the world.

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MALARIA

www.remarag.org

Rotarians Eliminating Malaria: A Rotarian Action Group - Unites Rotarians to reduce malaria morbidity and mortality through provision of goods, education and other interventions that lower infection rates.

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MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH

www.rifpd.org

Rotarian Action Group for Population & Development - Addresses the interlocking issues of overpopulation, unsustainable development and human suffering through maternal and child health projects.

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MENTAL HEALTH

<http://ragonmentalhealth.org>

Rotarian Action Group on Mental Health Initiatives (RAGMHI) – Provides assistance and support to Rotary clubs, districts, and multi-districts in planning and implementing large-scale, community development projects that will improve mental health services in their respective communities.

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MICROFINANCE AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

<http://ragm.org>

Rotarian Action Group for Microfinance and Community Development - Works to alleviate poverty by educating Rotarians in sustainable microfinance and community development, and facilitating partnerships with microfinance organizations to support the implementation of such programs.

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MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS

<http://rotary-ragmsa.org>

Rotarian Action Group for Multiple Sclerosis Awareness - Promotes MS awareness and encourages Rotarians to contribute to MS research and improve support available for people with MS

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PEACE

www.rotarianactiongroupforpeace.org

Rotarian Action Group for Peace- Works to advance world peace and prevent wars through projects oriented towards conflict prevention, peace building, peacekeeping and peacemaking.

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POLIO

www.rotarypoliosurvivors.com

Rotarian Action Group for Polio Survivors and Associates - Gathers and disseminates information to increase the contribution to the health of polio survivors and those involved with their health care.

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PRECONCEPTION CARE

www.raghphc.org

Rotarian Action Group Healthy Pregnancies / Healthy Children- Focuses on reducing maternal and child mortality by working with clubs and districts to address common health risks for future parents and babies.

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SLAVERY

<http://ragas.online/>

Rotarian Action Group Against Slavery - Rotarian Action Group Against Slavery - Encourages Rotarians to support, promote and work with anti-slavery bodies in developing programs, campaigns and projects to end slavery.

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WATER AND SANITATION

www.wasrag.org

Water and Sanitation Rotarian Action Group - Assists clubs and districts with projects and programs to develop safe water and sanitation.

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