

DONATIONS IN KIND

NORTHERN REGION

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The Donations in Kind Facility at 23 Mary Street Kingston is receiving and sorting goods every Thursday from 8:00 am until 12 noon

The Volunteers give their time freely and the average number is about 15 per Thursday. Many Books, Hospital Equipment Desks and chairs and numerous other items are delivered. If you have a spare morning you would be most welcome to assist



Books
delivery



QCWA Kits for Kids

Hospital equipment



Letters of Appreciation from Timor Leste:

A few months ago, a large quantity of hospital beds and medical consumables and equipment was given to Veterans Care Association Inc to be included in their container for Timor Leste. Recently, RAWCS Northern Region Donations in Kind has received three letters of appreciation for our support of Timor Leste. A function is being planned in Brisbane with the Timor Leste Ambassador to Australia for RAWCS Donations in Kind Northern Region, along with others, to receive official thanks for our support of the people of Timor Leste.



TIMOR-LESTE EMBASSY IN AUSTRALIA

10 September 2020

Dear Mr Paskin,

I would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to you and all volunteers from *Rotary, Northern Region Donations In Kind (DIK), QLD* for their generous support during the COVID- 19 crisis. You and your staff graciously allowed safe access to medical supply stores to obtain much needed equipment and supplies for remote areas in Timor-Leste.

As one of the primary donors, *Northern Region DIK, QLD* provided hospital beds, cardiology and neonatal equipment, hand sanitisers, PPE, intubating equipment and much more. Obtaining the urgently requested medical supplies and equipment would not have been possible without you and other DIK staff.

The *Northern Region DIK*, worked collaboratively with several charities and volunteers to help source, obtain, deliver and load 11 tonnes of medical equipment and supplies. Once in Dili, *Rotarians Helping Timor* received the container and with the NZ military and local volunteers delivered equipment and supplies to their destinations. Within a 6-week time frame all supplies and equipment have been delivered to the respective hospitals and clinics in the remote areas of Timor-Leste. A remarkable feat considering the challenges and urgency.

The dedication and altruism of organisations such as *Northern Region DIK, QLD* has made it possible to help others in a time of crisis. I would like to recognise *Northern Region DIK, QLD* and all those who worked together quickly to assist those in a time of need. You have made a true difference and your support is very much appreciated by the beneficiaries.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Ines Almeida", is written over a light blue horizontal line.

Ines Almeida
Ambassador

Donation of Medical Consumables and Equipment from Health Facilities:

RAWCS has executed a “Donation of Equipment Deed” on behalf of Northern Region Donations in Kind with the Children’s Health Queensland Hospital and Health Services (CHQ). We are waiting on the first delivery of the donated Medical Consumables and Equipment. CHQ is covering the cost of the delivery of these donations to the store at Kingston.

Waiver and Release from Liability agreements for donated equipment have been entered into with the Princess Alexandra Hospital (PAH) and the Sunshine Coast University Private Hospital. A large quantity of medical consumables and equipment has been received from PAH. A number of ECG machines and Dialysis Machines has been received from the hospital in the Sunshine Coast with more Dialysis Machines to be donated to RAWCS Northern Region Donations in Kind.

New Premises for Donations in Kind Northern Region:

The Redland City Council has called for Expressions of Interest for development of a site at the end of MacArther Street, Alexandra Hills. This was an old poultry research station purchased by the Redland City Council from the Department of Primary Industries.

An Expression of Interest has been lodged by RAWCS Donations in Kind Northern Region and we are presently waiting on feedback from the Redlands City Council.

Consignments to Date for 2020-21:

1 x 40’ Container to Dili in Timor Leste – a project of the Rotary Club of Burleigh Heads and Bren Milsom
1 x 20’ Container to Mogoulu in the Western Highlands of PNG
– shipped free of charge by Ok-Tedi

1 x 40’ container of school furniture and books to the Rotary Club of Port Moresby

1 x 40’ container of hospital beds and equipment to Nadi Hospital in Fiji – a project of Ray Deen and the Rotary Club of Archerfield

1 x 40’ container of hospital beds and equipment for the Rotary Club of Boroko to outfit a Covid Clinic in PNG

1 x 20’ container of donations for the Catholic Diocese of Lae – a project of Albert Benfer and the Rotary Club of Cleveland.

A very conservative value of the contents of the above containers is \$480,000



The Last sorting Day on Saturday 10th October was extremely successful with 53 Volunteers from 14 different groups. Some were Rotary Clubs and others were supporting organizations

A Thank You to all as it helped with sorting the goods that arrived in the last 3 weeks

Also to those who assisted on Saturday 5th September

