## Asia Pacific Area Report Form 2020/21-AREA SERVICE DIRECTOR

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# Comments & CS Projects done by some regions - 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Report

Although many regions are still under the pandemic situation, some regions even reported to have 3<sup>rd</sup> wave of the disease. Many are still very reluctant to go out for community projects, practicing the 3 C's to avoid associated with the pandemic ...

- 1. Contact with infected or asymptomatic persons
- 2. Closed or poorly ventilated areas
- 3. Crowded spaces of social gatherings

Anyway, as ASP ASD-CS, I'm glad to receive reports of some regions to have continued their community service projects. For those in the front liners, please take extra care and don't let your guard down.

#### **Australia Region**

- Although having a small window of State Borders opening during the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter but were closed due to Covid outbreak again. During Christmas period, most clubs are in their normal recess and will start back in early February if the Covid situation improves.
- Club Bendigo have their Christmas Tree Sales Community Project, a 1-day book sale to raise funds and Broken Hill Club have their Letters to Santa Project but these were ceased due to lockdown again;
- Most club's members are elderly and are physically unable to work with their communities; some clubs have methods of raising money that do not require direct contact with the communities or YMCA:
- Canberra Club has younger Indian members living in Australia and tend to support projects in India
- Many clubs are hesitant to share their community projects with the region and have not responded to the request for report by the Regional Director
- The link to the Club news page is https://yserviceaustralia.com/club-and-region-news

#### Japan East Region

- Y's Men, children and parents get together to plant milk vetch at the Child's Garden a Y's Garden in Metropolitan Kiba Park to help fertilize the soil and expecting early spring of next year, the Child's Garden will be covered with milk vetch.
- The Wai-Wai Dining Room Project for children was held at Naritasan Shinshoji Temple this year, lunch boxes and cooked pork miso soup were arranged while the children made Halloween candy pots.

#### Japan West Region

- Coronavirus pandemic keep people terrified and confused, and many people are living in a state of self-restraint to avoid the 3 C's (Contact with infected person, closed ventilated area and crowded spaces) though they are supporting the International Project Week4Waste

## **Philippine Region**

 Individual Clubs and Manila Bay District done several relief operations for the victims of both Typhoon Rolly (International Name Goni) and Typhoon Ulysses (International name Vamco) within the National Capital Region (NCR), and in Northern and Southern Luzon. Donations include face masks, personal hygiene products, biscuits, shoes, Bibles, deworming tablets, food packs, clothing, and others;

- Books donations done to several schools outside Metro Manila and nearby provinces
- Blood donation activities done during the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter with other NGOs;
- Christmas gift giving activities done for children, special kids, PWDs and Elders
- Donating pots of plants to orphanage facilities thru the assistance of Quezon City Mayor Joy Belmonte to help in the distribution to 10 years old orphans within the city proper

## Southeast Asia Region

- The Community Service on "Mahidol Day", October 31, 2020 in Chiangmai joint Project between the Nation University and Y's Men's Club of Chiangmai and Lanna Chiangmai at Ban Bun Koet Child Development Center, Tambon Phrabat, Amphoe Muang, Lampang
- In Hong Kong, the Chinese YMCA in collaboration with volunteers from YMC Island East sent warm regards to 60 home alone elderly by delivering hot soup and food on November 11, 2020.

#### **Taiwan Region**

- Central District clubs held charity sale activity for the elderly care center
- North District clubs provided scholarship funds and nutritional lunch for the underprivileged students;
- South District clubs organized fun run for the elderly's, assisted Tainan YMCA on charity sale; joint with YMCA Tainan promoting three on three basketball game to achieve zero drug abuse;
- Whole region joined in donating money and goods to disabled people, underprivileged and care centers

## Additional Comments, if any/Topics for Discussion

Only one among the seven regions of ASP has not submitted their CS Report for the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter. For CS Projects of the regions with pictures, please refer to the separate lists that I submitted. Thank you to all RDs for your response to our request.