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## **ROTARY CLUB OF SANTA CRUZ SUPPORTS FIVE AREA NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS THROUGH GRANT PROGRAM**

**SANTA CRUZ, Calif.** - Earlier this month, the Rotary Club of Santa Cruz Board of Directors awarded \$5,750 in grant funds to five area nonprofit organizations through its Benevolence and Grants Committee. Funded grant amounts ranged from \$500-\$2,000.

The list of recipients includes:

- Community Bridges - supporting programs for child and adult care, food distribution and others.
- Friends of Santa Cruz Public Libraries - funding will go toward work with school districts in providing better access to more online e-books and audio books.
- Hope's Closet - supporting this all-volunteer organization that distributes baby, toddler and youth clothing, blankets, shoes, and more to families in need.
- Santa Cruz Symphony Education Programs - funding will go toward music education in Santa Cruz education and outreach programs including classroom visits, youth concerts, classical music in classrooms and more.
- Volunteer Center/Youth Serve - funding will support Youth Serve, a program dedicated to connecting youth in Santa Cruz, ages 11-17, with rewarding volunteer projects including food distribution, shelters and other essential services.

The Benevolence and Grants Committee awards grants on a quarterly basis throughout the year. Local nonprofit organizations are encouraged to apply and can find details on the Santa Cruz Rotary website: [https://bit.ly/SCRotary\\_Grants](https://bit.ly/SCRotary_Grants).

### **About Rotary**

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both the local and international levels, from helping those in need in their own communities to working toward a polio-free world.

Due to COVID-19, the Rotary Club of Santa Cruz currently meets every Friday from noon - 1:00 p.m. via Zoom. For more information visit [santacruzrotary.com](http://santacruzrotary.com).

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