



28th Annual Mardi Gras Celebration

The Reno Club of Reno invites you to participate in their annual 28th Mardi Gras Celebration, taking place on Fat Tuesday, February 25, 2020, from 5:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. at the beautiful downtown Reno Ballroom. This fundraising festival of food and drink will showcase some of the area's finest restaurants and caterers along with some of the best wines and craft beers and spirits all in one venue. Music, auctions, raffles and dancing will complete the evening.

RCR is currently seeking sponsors to help reach their \$100,000 fundraising goal. Cash and in-kind sponsorships underwrite event costs, allowing the RCR to distribute the proceeds and complete needed projects throughout the Reno-Sparks communities and the world.

About Reno Rotary Foundation

The Rotary Club of Reno established the Reno Rotary Foundation, creating a 501(c)(3) entity to improve the quality of life in the Truckee Meadows. The first Rotary Club established in Nevada in 1916, the Rotary Club of Reno is the largest in Northern Nevada with approximately 160 members. Members of the club focus on service to their community, following Rotary International's worldwide charter, which promotes humanitarian services, goodwill and peace in the world through its 1.2 million members.

IMPACT – The club donated more than \$343,200 for fiscal years 2018 and 2019 to the following:

COMMUNITY SERVICE – received more than \$118,400

Reno Rotary Sculpture Park designed and built with City of Reno • Riverside Drive Gardens • Lemelson STEM Academy • Sierra Nevada Journeys • NNvMath Club • Rotarians At Work Day • WCCSD Science Fair and Role Model Summit • NV Fit for Education • Nevada Youth Empowerment Project: Homeless Youth • NV Discovery Museum • Community Health Alliance • Big Brothers Big Sisters • Veterans Guest House • Bridges Out of Poverty • Children in Transition • Washoe County Child Advocacy • KNPB Young Writers Workshop • Bell Ringing for Salvation Army • TruVista Foundation

VOCATIONAL SERVICE – received more than \$77,500

Vocational Scholarships: TMCC, UNR, Lemelson STEM Academy • Teacher Recognition • Law Enforcement Recognition • Career Coaching • UNR Foundation

YOUTH SERVICE – received more than \$79,700

Rotary Youth Exchange (RYE) • Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA) • Music and Speech Contests • Middle School Program (REGL) • Achievement Beyond Obstacles (ABO) • Interact Clubs at Innovations & Reno High Schools • Rotaract Club for Young Adults (18 to 30) • Girl Scouts of America

INTERNATIONAL SERVICE – received more than \$67,600

Disaster Relief • Ubuntu Education Fund • Lebanese School for Blind & Deaf • Beirut Brain Surgery Project • Bangkok – Magkang Rotary Scholarship • Smiles Without Borders • Panama Project • Bwindi Skills Lab