

CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION

Rotary Club of Grass Valley

The County of Nevada Board of Supervisors takes great pleasure in recognizing the Rotary Club of Grass Valley, California on their centennial celebration for over 100 years of Rotary “Service Above Self” to the citizens of Nevada County.

In 1925, twenty-five local leaders in Grass Valley, inspired by Rotary International’s commitment to public service, ethical business practices, and fellowship, started a Rotary Club dedicated to improving their community. Throughout the years, the club has prioritized addressing local community needs. Early projects included support for Scouting with members, support for miners, and donating to charitable causes, especially those which helped with medical costs for residents in need. As the organization grew, projects remained focused on enhancing the quality of life for residents in the region, even during challenging economic periods. The club prioritized paying for surgeries, medical care, transportation, and related medical costs for deserving youngsters in the County. Additionally, ongoing financial support was provided to The Salvation Army, Boy Scouts, Red Cross, Miner Relief funds, Christmas Children’s Fund, and the Infantile Paralysis Fund.

During World War II, the club supported the war effort through various initiatives, such as organizing blood drives, collecting scrap metal, helping military families, supporting troops at Camp Beale, Scouting events, and the development of an athletic field at the fairgrounds. Post-war, the club also became increasingly involved in Rotary International’s global initiatives, including efforts to combat polio through vaccination programs, international exchange programs for students and professionals, and disaster relief efforts around the world. Into the 21st century, the club has prioritized environmental sustainability such as projects promoting recycling, conservation, and renewable energy. Throughout its 100 years of service to the community, the Members have remained committed to the values and principles that have guided the club since its inception.

Therefore, the Nevada County Board of Supervisors takes great pleasure in congratulating and celebrating the Rotary Club of Grass Valley for its many contributions to the citizens of Grass Valley and Nevada County during its 100-year history of Rotary Service and wishes it well as it continues its long tradition of Rotary “Service Above Self.”

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