

RACSRAG Report 2015-2016

What an amazing year it has been!

Reached 15,000+ Rotarians from all over the world raising awareness through speaking at clubs, attending Rotary District and Zone meetings, leading a panel at Rotary United Nations Day in New York and presenting on a panel at the Rotary International Peace Convention in Ontario, California. Spoke to over 78 Rotary Clubs, two Zones and 16 Districts.

- Hosted the End Human Trafficking Worldwide Summit together with President Jimmy Carter at the Carter Center in Atlanta which was attended by organizations from 14 countries and 32 states. Speakers included President Jimmy Carter, U.S. Senators Isakson and Corker, and the Attorney General of the United States, Sally Yates
- Dave McCleary was invited by Rotary International President Ravi to organize and Moderate a panel for the main session at the UN for Rotary Day in November. On the panel was the Melissa Russell, (Vice President of International Justice Mission), Karin Ryan, (Director for the Carter Center Human Rights) and Susan Coppedge, (Ambassador from the State Department for Human Trafficking).
- Rotary Peace Conference 2016 in Ontario California Dave McCleary Moderated 12 panels on human trafficking and at-risk-children. Over 2000 Rotarians from around the world attended.
- Dave McCleary moderated a panel for Zone 33-34 with Sally Yates, Asst. US
 Attorney General for the US, Sam Olens, Georgia Attorney General, John Walsh,
 founder of Missing and Exploited Children, Eliza Reock, Director of Programing
 Shared Hope International. In attendance RI President Elect Ravi.
- Represented RACSRAG at Zone 33 and 34 assembly 2015.
- Represented RACSRAG at the worldwide zone district assembly in San Diego California 2016. (Worked the RACS booth).
- Formed alliances with organizations such as the International Justice Mission, Unicef, United Way, BEST, ECPAT, Wellspring Living/Randstad, Polaris Project, Shared Hope Intl., and "SOLD" the movie.
- Continued active participation in the Georgia State Governor's Task Force to end Human Trafficking focusing on the Safe Harbor Law and internships, education and employment for survivors.
- Partnered with BEST (Businesses ending Slavery and Trafficking) with a goal of educating 50% of businesses within the United States in the next 10 years about human trafficking.

- Organized a multi-city food drive in partnership with Action Ministries to deliver 2000 boxes of food to needy families.
- Partnered with multiple Rotary clubs in the US to bring awareness and action for the fight against human trafficking
- Working with Senator Corker, Chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations committee in the United States, on the initiative to End Modern Slavery.
- Featured in the book "Make It Zero" by Mary Frances Bowley, Founder of Wellspring Living, recounting how Rotary began its involvement to end Human Trafficking in the United States. Make It Zero became an instant best seller on Amazon.com.
- Moderated 12 panels at the Rotary International Peace Conference in San Diego focusing on Human Trafficking and protecting at-risk children. Attended by 1500 Rotarians worldwide
- Presented a program at District 6900 John Germ was in attendance. We had Dorsey Jones Speak, a survivor of sex trafficking. She was forced to sleep with over 200 men by the time she was 12 years old. The Program impacted RI President Elect John Germ very much. We also showed the video from Senator Bob Corker thanking Rotary for taking on the issue of Human Trafficking and congratulating John on being President Elect of Rotary International.

Looking forward to 2016, we are focusing on:

- Continued efforts in the areas of awareness, prevention, advocacy and restoration.
- Creating an online resource for organizations to list their purpose, activities, events and meetings
- Creating a hands-on list of action items for organizations, groups and individuals alike
- Organizing community events throughout the United States with workshops and action steps which can serve as an example for other cities and organizations to duplicate.
- Engage other civic organizations, Houses of Worship and youth groups to combine forces.

Continued to work on financial support for ending slavery worldwide, we raised \$ 2000.00 this month for RACSRAG.

Sincerely, Dave McCleary