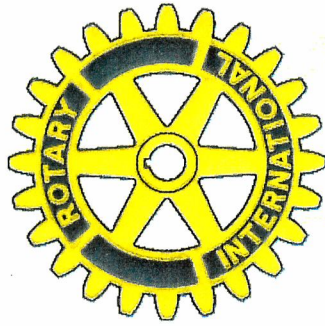


Rotary Shoebox Scheme



RIBI International Project



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THE SCHEME

The Rotary Shoebox Scheme started in 1994 when boxes of gifts were sent at Christmas to children in the city of Iasi, Romania.

Since then the scheme has grown throughout Britain and Ireland and tens of thousands of boxes have since been sent to children and families in many countries in Eastern Europe.

Our main distribution times are still at Christmas and Easter but deliveries are made throughout the year as required.

Countries to benefit have included: Romania, Moldova, Belarus, Ukraine, Bulgaria, Albania, Kosovo and Croatia

DELIVERING THE BOXES

Your local Rotary Club arranges for the return of the filled boxes to our Warehouse, the Rotary Shoebox Scheme Trustees, who are all members of Rotary, then arrange delivery either overland or by sea container to the children and families. Rotarians and/or our representatives in the country of receipt then supervise the distribution.

WEB SITE

For up-to-date information, pictures and special items for schools, visit our web site:

www.shoebox.rotary1280.org

FILLING THE BOX

The shoeboxes **must** be those supplied by Rotary. Do not wrap but please feel free to decorate the sides with felt tips or crayons.

There are three types of Box to choose from. Please circle the letter on the lid to indicate the contents in the box and please,

do not mix the type of contents.

- T** TOYS (indicate age + gender)
- TE** TEENAGE (indicate age + gender)
- H** HOUSEHOLD GOODS

Suggested items:

TOYS: Matchbox type cars, small bouncy balls, yo-yos, dolls, colouring books, crayons, felt tip pens, pencils, notebooks, jigsaws, lego. *[No chocolate or sweets in toy boxes. No war related toys or toys that need batteries]*

TEENAGE: Make-up, toiletries, sports-wear, hats, gloves, scarves, comb and mirror, writing materials, etc.

HOUSEHOLD: washing powder, fairy liquid, hand soap, shampoo, toothbrush and paste, disinfectant, letter paper and envelopes, ball point pens, etc.

A card with your name and address can sometimes result in a reply.

A £2 coin sellotaped onto the top of the box lid helps towards transport costs.

[If you cannot use this box then please return it.]