



Gift of Life patients and their families are given hope through Gift of Life.

of as many children as possible. Children are alive because of the generosity of Greenfield Rotarians and others who have united with us in this quest. Please join us in making a difference. Consider making a donation or providing an item for our annual Gift of Life auction benefiting the Gift of Life program in central Indiana.

We truly appreciate the many individuals, organizations, and businesses that have contributed to our fund-raising efforts for the Gift of Life program. Without their help it would not be possible to impact the lives of children so greatly. Thank you!

Funds have been raised throughout the District 6560 and are being distributed through the Rotary District 6560 World Community Service Foundation, a 501(c)(3) non-profit corporation established under the laws of the State of Indiana.

GIFT OF LIFE AUCTION **SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2012**

WASHINGTON PARK
COMMUNITY LIFE CENTER
INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA

5:30 PM



Rotary Club of Greenfield

P.O. Box 1
Greenfield, IN 46140

Rotary District 6560 World Community
Service Foundation, Inc.
35-1993614

Make a Difference

For the Life of a Child

*Rotary Clubs of Greenfield and
Greenfield Sunrise*

Annual Gift of Life Auction

A program of Rotary International
District 6560



While serving his country in Afghanistan, Greenfield Rotarian Terry Snow met Qudrat and his family. When he learned of their medical needs, he began the process to qualify Qudrat as a Gift of Life child.

The Gift of Life program was originally designed to help children who require corrective heart surgery secure another lease on life through heart surgery at a participating Gift of Life hospital in the United States. The program has reached throughout the world, saving the lives of children for whom there is little hope of medical treatment.

The Gift of Life concept was initially begun in 1974 at a Rotary Club in Manhasset, New York, when they responded to a request for help from the Kampala Rotary Club in Uganda. A five-year-old girl traveled 5,000 miles from

Uganda to New York, where she underwent successful open-heart surgery to close a hole between the two lower chambers of her small heart. *(This young woman is now a Rotarian and promotes the Gift of Life program whenever the opportunity arises.)*

The concept has spread around the Rotary world. Many Rotary Districts in the United States, as well as in other countries, now have active Gift of Life programs. The Gift of Life program has even expanded beyond Rotarians to other organizations and individuals as well. The program offers not only life, but hope and understanding as people from different nations work together to help children and share the stories of their experience.

Rotarians of District 6560 in central Indiana have embraced the idea of giving children with no hope for medical treatment in their own country, a chance to live. They began their own Gift of Life program in 1998. Working with Riley Hospital for Children and St. Vincent's Hospital, central Indiana Rotarians have brought children from Russia, Iraq, Kosovo, Haiti, Jamaica, Mongolia, Afghanistan and beyond to Indiana for heart surgery. These children have

returned home after successful surgery full of life, with hope for the future, and a love and understanding of the people who cared enough to help.

The program has even expanded to include surgery for children with non-heart related ailments. Additionally, medical teams have traveled to other countries to perform surgery and teach the surgical techniques to doctors in those countries.

The Rotarians of Greenfield, Indiana, are leaders among District 6560 in the Gift of Life cause. We are dedicated to raising the money needed to save the lives



In mid-2008 Josiah Ntoko Tongo from Dakar, Senegal, became the 100th child to receive a heart operation through District 6560's Gift of Life program. Children like Josiah are screened by medical doctors to determine their condition as well as the possibility that life-saving surgery will be successful.