

*Help women reclaim
their dignity by
giving them the
opportunity to work their
way out of poverty!*

*We are here
to help!*

- Need a “HOW TO” guide on Microcredit and Revolving Loan Matching Grants?
- Looking for ideas and assistance with NGO partnerships?
- Have ideas for improving the Rotarian Microcredit program?
- Want to help RAGM?

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for Microcredit**

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Welcome

to the Rotarian Action Group for Microcredit!

Where we are ending poverty together, one small loan at a time.

Microcredit provides small loans, education and support to help poor families achieve economic independence.

Borrowers (usually women) reclaim their dignity and provide a better life for their children – breaking the cycle of poverty for the next generation.

In 2006 over US\$9 billion in loans served over 115 million Microcredit borrowers worldwide. RAGM leverages the hands-on potential of 1.2 million Rotarians to make these loans more effective for the community.

And the benefits don't stop with small loans to the poor – Microcredit creates a foundation for sustainable and integrated interventions in education, health care, nutrition and clean water – to name a few areas that Rotarians excel. These projects in turn create sustainable and thriving communities fostered through Rotarian fellowship.

Benefits of RAGM Membership:

- ❑ Access “How To” guides and best practices for Rotarian Microcredit projects
- ❑ Tools to help you prepare successful Revolving Loan Matching Grant applications, and guidelines for compliance
- ❑ Information and assistance on partnering with Non-Governmental Organizations (NGO's) and Microfinance Institutions (MFI's)
- ❑ Participation in an interactive, worldwide community forum, providing the opportunity to discuss your Microcredit project with other Rotarians around the globe
- ❑ Access to an on-line Resource Directory providing up-to-date news and information
- ❑ Access to an on-line database to match projects and funding sources
- ❑ Access to a library of video, hand-outs, live teleconferencing, and other tools to promote Microcredit in your community
- ❑ Opportunity to shape the future of Microcredit through advice on policies and procedures to Rotary International and The Rotary Foundation

Get involved

1. Visit www.ragm.org and create a login to join our newsletter distribution list (available to non-Rotarians)
2. Once logged in, Rotarians, Rotaractors and their spouses may join as official RAGM members

Onetime membership investment is \$100
Pay online with your credit card

If payment by credit card is not possible or this fee creates a financial hardship please contact us at:
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