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| **Funding for your WASH in Health Care Facilities (WinHCF) projects!!!** |

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| May 9, 2023A very generous donor has offered funding for “Software” for WinHCF projects. “Software” means those activities that support sustainability – such as training, capacity building, behavioural change, monitoring and evaluation. **IT WILL NOT** fund “hardware” (e.g. infrastructure, drilling boreholes, building latrines, etc.).A donation of up to US$5000 is available to match the funding for software included in a Global Grant application.  **The Background**A 2022 report from the World Health Organization and UNICEF stated that:·      850 million people use health care facilities with no water.·     780 million people use hospitals and clinics with no toilets or latrines.·     A quarter of all health care facilities have no basic water service.·     1 in 3 health care facilities lack hand-washing facilities at critical points of care—such as the delivery room or surgery – depriving as many as 3.85 billion people of basic hygiene service. ﻿The consequences are staggering: ·      One in ten patients **develop infections in hospital,** leading to **severe illness or death.**·      300,000+ **maternal deaths a year** result from infections acquired in a healthcare facility·      As many as **600,000 infants die** each year from infections that could be prevented by the simple use of soap and water.The World Health Assembly has called for action:﻿**Every health care facility (HCF) to have WASH services by 2030.****1.1 million women from 114 countries** **were surveyed on healthcare.** **﻿Water and Sanitation rated second only to respectful care**. ***They want clean toilets. They want soap and water to wash themselves and their babies after birth.***As People of Action, Rotary members are the heart of our communities. We can lead the way to **sustainable** **safe water, sanitation and hygiene in healthcare facilities.****﻿****This is the purpose of this support.****﻿****Please contact** **info@washrag.org** **for information and details.****﻿** |

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