

**Feedback Summary
International Showcase
2010 October 17**

Summary of 14 written responses out of 36 attendees.

1. Did you find the event useful?

Yes.

Extremely!

An eye-opener. Good to see so many initiatives.

Great to have a view of the groups involved in interesting programs to show their work.

Useful and inspirational.

Very educational and informative. I learned a great deal. It was another awareness-raising opportunity for the Stephen Lewis Foundation.

Interesting, informative and well-organized.

2. What did you like about it?

The wealth of information about the generosity of Deep River people.

Community involvement.

Diversity of projects. Contact with people in other groups. New ideas and solutions for our own projects.

Exchange between groups.

I was not aware the Deep River community is doing such activities world-wide. I am very happy to see a lot of people caring about others beyond Canadian borders.

Hearing all the testimonials of the various projects – very motivational.

To know what other groups are doing – what works well, what doesn't. Enthusiasm spreads.

Made us realise we are not the only ones trying to help the needy. Also found out we can coordinate our efforts for the benefit of the needy.

The presentations (the from-the-heart approach and questions and answers especially).

Interaction with other groups.

I liked the variety, the brightness of the presentation and the exchanges during question periods.

Lots of questions – shows interest. Stayed on time and on target. Credit given for other's efforts.

Rotary did an excellent job hosting the event, tucking in bits of missing info where needed.

3. What would improve the event next time?

Maybe more publicity.

More info in NRT.

Advertise the event more in different age groups.

Try to get more of the public to attend the event. I am not sure how much publicity was done but a greater awareness would help.

Better advance promotion.

Bring more people, inform the community to watch.

Publicity to attract the general public and possibly more members or help for various groups.

It would be nice to have the media present.

Have a discussion with key participants, brainstorm, fine tune.

Perhaps a keynote speaker ½ hr.

More thought to the room layout.

More space, although the availability of refreshments and offer of free space were welcome.

Maybe a different format next time – something to attract the general public.

Just do it again and again. It's great.!

4. What other people/groups do you think might be interested in attending another event like this?

More high school aged students promoting the work they have done.

Church groups.

Community groups.

Word of mouth reports and your followup in the NRT may attract some.

Perhaps when word gets out other will see how worthwhile it was and be anxious to participate. Too bad the press wasn't here.

5. Any other comments?

Compliments on a job well done.

Thanks for organizing this.

Thanks for the opportunity.

I really appreciate you stuck to the schedule. Good job.

Thank you to Rotary for this initiative.

Well done – this was a meeting waiting to happen.!

I'd like to hear Rotary's take – or approach – to environmental, climate-change in so many parts of the world you are helping.

A bit of hearing problems with people at the bar, TV noise, etc.

Perhaps the list of attendees could be notified about relevant speakers the Rotary club is having. Could those people recommend speakers for Rotary meetings, or be the speakers themselves?

I would like to support another event, in addition to this one, with a roughly similar format but where the objective is to tell other people the story. Specifically, an event through one or all of the churches. A speaker could be brought in, a lunch could be served, then presentations and discussion periods. Perhaps all preceded by a ecumenical service with members of all churches and the public invited to attend.