# QUOTA'S INTERNATIONAL AWARD Winners

# 2017 Quota Cares Month Award Winners

The Quota International clubs listed below were selected as Top Winners in the 2017 Quota's Cares Month contest. Their projects were considered outstanding for service, outreach, fundraising, and sustainability. These Quota International clubs are examples of Quota International's mission to empower women, children, the deaf, and hard-of-hearing through service initiatives.

#### AUSTRALIA



# Quota International of Beenleigh Queensland, Australia

Category:

Educational Development -Winner

To show that Quota Cares, Quota International of Beenleigh Members hosted "Feel the Music" to create connections between disabled students and music. During the sessions, students were guided to feel the movement of Latin rhythms with the help of the local high school music teacher and a Zumba instructor, Jo. Several learning stations provided students the opportunity to feel the beat using a variety of instruments.

## Quota International of Jimboomba Queensland, Australia

Category:

Educational Development - Runner-up

Heidi Dredge, the author of book series *The Cochlear Kids*, was the guest speaker for the 2017 International Woman's day brunch in Jimboomba. She spoke about her book series that helps children and adults understand hearing loss and cochlear implants. Quota International of Jimboomba hosted the brunch for over 50 community members in March as part of Quota Cares month.



# Quota International of Townsville Queensland, Australia

Category:

Health & Well-being - Runner-up

Women and children receiving services from the North Queensiand Domestic Violence Resource Centre will find some solace in the Centre's lobby new furniture that is at a special height for children to be comforted by their mothers. The purchase of the furniture was one way in which Quota International of Townsville Members were able to show the families in the area that Quota cares.



## Quota International of Whitsunday Queensland, Australia

Category:

Health & Well-being - Runner-up

In the wake of Cyclone Debbie, Quota International of Whitsunday members provided over 4,000 meals to emergency workers from across Australia in partnership with the Proserpine Lions and Lioness club during Quota Cares month. The Quota members also gave a \$1,500 donation to help restore power to a community that had been relying on gas and generators for several days.

#### CANADA

# Quota International of Huronia Ontario, Canada

Category:

Health & Well-being - Winner

Children at nine elementary schools received the gift of Quota Cares Teddy Bears from members of the Quota Club of Huronia during Quota Cares month. For children who are coping with having experienced a trauma, the bears give a sense of comfort, a safe way to release anxiety and a way to show that they are loved and cared for unconditionally.

#### CURACAO



Quota International of Curacao

Category:

Educational Development - Winner

In Curacao, the Festive Talent Fair hosted by Quota members gave students ages 8 through 12 two days to explore dancing, singing, acting, and drawing. This new Quota Cares project ended with a talent show to celebrate Quota Cares month.

#### **PHILIPPINES**

#### Quota International of Angles Philippines

Category:

Health & Well-being - Winner

Members of Quota International of Angeles partnered with the Centro Escolar University Alumni Association Foundation to take on the task of providing medical, dental, and optometry services to over 350 members of the Barangqay Sto. Cristo community. To show that Quota Cares, reading glasses, dental health kits, medicines, and food were provided.



# Quota International of Mandaue Philippines

Category:

Workforce Development - Runner-up

In Mandaue, Quota members provided a weaving skills training program to the women of Carcar, Cebu City for their Quota Cares Month event. Quota Interantional of Mandue members partnered with the IPI Foundation of Cebu City, who provided the livelihood training, and International Pharmaceuticals, Inc., who provided the materials, to make it possible for 35 women to be trained to weave wallets that they can sell to provide for themselves and their families.



Quota International of Manila Philippines

Category:

Health & Well-being - Runner-up

Children with cancer laughed and sang songs with Clowning Around Manila who dressed up in costumes and sang songs. As part of Quota Cares month, Quota members read books, played games, and colored with the children, along with giving out food, toys and clothes. This ongoing outreach program shows how much Quota cares.

#### **NEW ZEALAND**



Quota International of Opotiki, Bay of Plenty, New Zealand Category:

Category.

Health & Well-being - Runner-up

Quota International of Opotiki treated women at two rest homes to a Spa Day for Quota Cares Month 2017. Funds raised through the year provided facials, massages, nail painting, and hair makeovers for the women residents at each of the homes.

#### UNITED STATES

#### Quota International of Tanana Valley Alaska, United States

Category:

Health & Well-being - Winner

The members of Quota International of Tanana Valley were very busy in during Quota Cares month. They hosted four service projects that cared for over 200 people in their community. By volunteering at the local food bank's fundraiser, serving cookies and coffee, \$10,000 was raised to help feed families in need. Quotarians also gave a gift certificate for dinner to a mother of a special needs child, gave freezer meals to the food bank, and put ear plugs at two locations around town for hearing safety.



Quota International of Canton Ohio, United States

Category:

Workforce Development - Runner-up

Members of Quota International of Canton partnered with the YWCA to supply clothing and accessories for a Quota Cares Month Dress for Success event. Donations of new, next to new, and gently used outfits made a difference in the women's outlook and confidence, helping them transition into jobs to support themselves and their family.



Quota International of Wooster Ohio, United States

Category:

Health & Well-being -Runner-up

Quota International of Wooster celebrated Quota Cares month with two service projects. First the group painted rooms at a women and children's shelter, OneEighty. Supplies and snacks were donated by the community helping the Quota members make the most of their time. The Quota members also helped put on an event for Girls with Sole featuring Liz Ferro, author of Finish Line Feeling, to empower girls who have been victims of assault and abuse.



Quota International of Triangle North Carolina, United States Category:

Health & Well-being - Runner-up

For their Quota Cares Month project, members of Quota International of the Triangle partnered with the North Carolina Association of Student Councils to provide 220 Linus Blankets to children at SAFEchild. Bringing together over 500 students and their advisors from 60 schools across North Carolina, Quota members encouraged the young leaders to aspire to service with sustainable, tangible, and local benefits. The students were urged to learn efficient collaboration skills while making the blankets and take these skills back to their schools and communities.