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ABOUT SERVICE WITH MEREYSHIPS IN GUINEA**



SAILING to bring Hope

Rotarians of RI Districts 3140 and 3180 have facilitated essential healthcare services to Conakry, Guinea through the global charity Mercy Ships, a state-of-the-art floating hospital doing remarkable community service to the needy.

'Health for all' is the main agenda of all the countries around the world, though there are some poor nations which cannot provide adequate care for all its citizens and there is a gap and to bridge this gap the Rotary International steps in and provides various services.

The Rotary Foundation, under its new Future Vision Plan, seeks to forge strategic partnerships with established organisations with expertise in any of Rotary's Six Areas of Focus: Peace and Conflict Prevention; Disease Prevention and Treatment; Water and Sanitation; Maternal and Child Health; Basic Education and Literacy; and Economic and Community Development. The Foundation Grants support major international projects with sustainable, high impact results.

In order to facilitate quality healthcare services to West Africa, a new strategic partnership between The Rotary Foundation and the global charity Mercy Ships was formed. Mercy Ships volunteers are self-sacrificing people who bring hope and healing every day to the poorest of the world's poor. They change lives by bringing the highest quality care to individuals who otherwise would have little access to medical services. Through this partnership the Foundation will offer Packaged Global Grants for Rotary clubs and districts to assemble Vocational Training Teams (VTT) of medical



Eye care team.



Vocational training in progress.