

The Purpose of This Service Initiative



Aesop once said, "In union there is strength." This exciting service initiative is an opportunity for Aktion Club members to be united in working toward one common goal and strengthening the Aktion Club program! This project gives each Aktion Club member a chance to impact a child's life on a global scale.

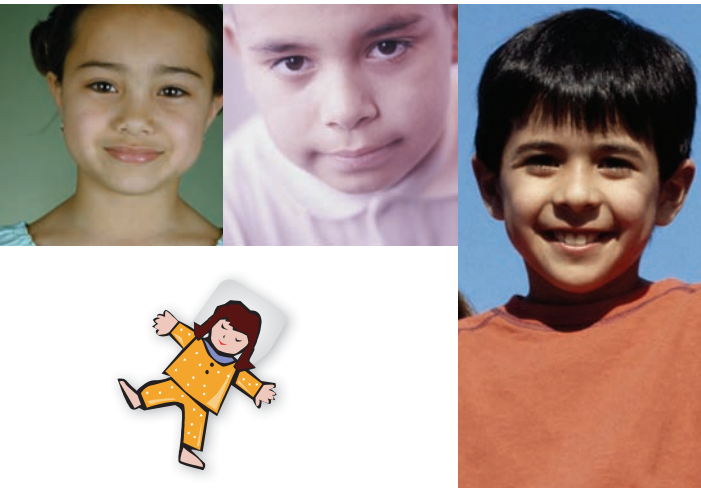
Steps to Submit Donations

Anyone can participate! It's not limited to Aktion Club members. The goal is to see as many children as possible benefit from a bed kit!

Upon collecting donations, please send them to the following address:

Kiwanis International Foundation
Attn: Aktion Club – SCAW
3636 Woodview Trace
Indianapolis, IN 46268

Then, four to six months later, you or your club will receive a photo of the child who received your donated bed kit!



History of SCAW

Sleeping Children Around the World was founded in 1970 by the late Murray Dryden and his wife, Margaret. Murray's hobby of photographing sleeping children (his own and those of friends) gave rise to the idea of a retirement project.

He and Margaret decided to provide bed kits to 50 children in India in 1970. The concept grew and eventually became the focus of their lives.



Though many children in developed countries have needs, SCAW's mandate is to assist children in developing countries.

What's in a bed kit?

Each US\$30 donation provides a bed kit that includes:

- Mat or mattress
- Pillow
- Sheet
- Blanket
- Mosquito net (if applicable)
- Clothes outfit
- Towel
- School supplies



Bed kit contents vary from country to country depending upon local needs.

Donation/ Picture Information



Every child is photographed with the bed kit, showing the donor's name/country (or special occasion message) on a label.

Each photograph is then mailed back to the original donor, providing a timeless way for the donor/Aktion Club to remember the child who so greatly benefited from their generosity.

- Pictures of your bed kit recipients are mailed within four to six months
- For special occasion donations, specify the occasion and the name/address of the picture recipient.
- If you wish, specify custom wording for labels and /or specify the name/address for pictures to be mailed elsewhere.
- For more information, contact Aktion Club at 800-549-2647, ext. 167.



Double Your Donation!

Every sponsoring Kiwanis club is encouraged to match Aktion Club donations going to SCAW. Double the impact on the children of the world and distribute twice as many bed kits!



What is Sleeping Children Around the World?



Sleeping Children Around the World, or SCAW, is a nonprofit organization located in Toronto, Ontario. Donations to the organization provide bed kits to children of any race and/or religion who will benefit the most, typically including those struggling to survive in underdeveloped and developing countries.

Why Partner with SCAW?

SCAW is improving the lives of children all over the world. Involvement with SCAW will truly enable Aktion Club to be an international program and change the world one child and one community at a time.



The Kiwanis World Service Medal was presented to the late Murray Dryden in 1988. While traveling in Asia as a tourist, Mr. Dryden noticed the large number of children sleeping on the ground, without benefit of bedding, sleepwear, etc. He founded Sleeping Children Around the World, which by 1988 had distributed free “sleep kits” of blankets, mats, pillows, mosquito netting, and pajamas to more than 120,000 poor children in two-dozen nations. To date, SCAW has raised more than \$17 million to provide bed kits for more than 800,000 children in 31 countries.

What is Aktion Club?

Aktion Club is a community-service group for adult citizens living with disabilities. The mission of Aktion Club is to provide adults with disabilities an opportunity to develop initiative and leadership, to serve their community, to be integrated into society, and to demonstrate the dignity and value of citizens living with disabilities. Aktion Club members strive to return to their communities the benefits, help, and caring they have received, as well as develop important skills in the process.



A Kiwanis-family member.

If you have any questions, comments, or concerns please feel free to contact us!

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3636 Woodview Trace
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For more information about Sleeping Children Around the World, visit their Web site at www.scaw.org.

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