

# Help more children like Danar go to school!

More than 70 million people around the world need a wheelchair but don't have access to one. Danar is one of the lucky ones. He has a properly-fitted wheelchair, which means he can go to school, play with his many friends, and one day, get a job to support himself and his family.



Danar, age 8, in Indonesia

### The CLASP Wheelchair Project for Rotary



- Dollar for dollar matching (\$10,000 min)
- A variety of assistive products to suit user's individual needs
- International shipping support
- Connections to vetted service partners in 16 countries:
   Colombia, El Salvador, Ethiopia, Fiji, Georgia, India, Indonesia,
   Jordan, Kenya, Malawi, Pakistan, Somaliland, South Africa,
   Tanzania, Uganda, and Zimbabwe

### The right fit matters!

Just as you wouldn't buy a car without properly researching whether it would be a good fit for you, so it is with a wheelchair. By partnering with CLASP, your club can make it easier for people like Danar to get a wheelchair that best fits their physical and environmental needs. When empowered with a wheelchair that suits their lives, people with disabilities can live up to their full potential and, in turn, society can benefit from their perspectives and participation.

#### Leaders in sustainable services

CLASP works with vetted partners who are leaders in delivering sustainable support services to people with disabilities in their communities. Your club can help support the life-changing programs our partners offer such as: wheelchair provision, physical rehabilitation, skill building, education, and job training.

With Rotary's commitment to sustainability and CLASP's mission to increase access to quality assistive products, **imagine the impact we can have together!** 

# Contact us to start your wheelchair project! clasphub.org/clasp-for-rotary

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### What is CLASP?

CLASP is a USAID-funded project implemented by UCP Wheels for Humanity that increases access to a variety of high-quality, affordable assistive products, and promotes appropriate provision globally. CLASP provides a solution to some of the challenges faced by wheelchair service providers in less-resourced settings such as limited product variety, extensive lead time, and logistical burdens.

Over 70 million people worldwide need a wheelchair for basic mobility. CLASP makes it easier for them to get one.

### **How does CLASP work?**

Through CLASP, donors can make large or small orders of mixed products and sizes, delivering mobility devices that best suit users' individual needs faster and more efficiently. CLASP stocks a range of wheelchairs, postural support devices, walking aids, cushions, parts kits, and more from suppliers including Motivation, Whirlwind, UCP Wheels, DDO, and INTCO.

# ONE SIZE WHEELCHAIR DOES NOT FIT ALL!

A wheelchair that is not properly fitted for a person's needs can lead to health problems that can become life-threatening. Because they are still growing, children are particularly vulnerable to developing deformities, pressure sores and other medical conditions.

## **Post-Polio Support in Pakistan**



Salman (center, left) contracted polio as a child, which left him with severe disabilities. His family managed to get him a wheelchair, but it was much too big for him - he couldn't reach the wheels to propel himself and he sat in the chair cross-legged for years which caused further health complications. It wasn't until Salman was in his twenties that he received his first properly fitted wheelchair through CLASP Service Partner Paraplegic Center Peshawar in Pakistan. For the first time, Salman could travel independently and, as he says, "think beyond mobility." With the freedom and empowerment he now feels, he is giving back to the community, organizing sporting events for wheelchair users and traveling across Pakistan advocating for people with disabilities.

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