

# What you need to know to run a high impact project

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## Where have I worked?



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## Drivers of High Impact projects

### 1. Community or organisation / needs driven

Inclusive with client focus

### 2. Pre-feasibility study – capturing the issues, practicality

### 3. Risks – governance, conflict, climate

### 4. Alignment – with national / local government 5 year development / investment plans

### 5. Add value - community (or organisational) priorities

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## Drivers of High Impact projects

### 6. Resources to Direct Support and/or Capacity Building

Group development, training, skill development, procurement

### 7. Appropriate technology:

- cost-effective
- culturally appropriate
- forward looking
- installed/maintained locally
- sustainable - operating costs / consumables

### 8. Respected and capable local partners:

Local government, NGO(s), Rotary Club (Host – Int. Partner)

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## Drivers of High Impact projects

### 9. Appropriate M&E activities

- Process, outcomes, impact
- Governance
- Funding
- Resources

### 10. Micro-finance - savings and loan groups.

Revolving micro-credit funds need experienced participants and supervision group. A stepping stone to commercial credit.

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## Are we using our strengths?

1. Technical / management / co-ordination skills
2. Situation analysis - priority areas / support
3. Sourcing appropriate technology and materials
4. Networks – access to resources / technical knowledge
5. Implementation ??

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## Finding partners

1. **Leverage existing Rotary opportunities**  
Polio, DiK, RAM, RPV, Interplast, ROMAC, WatSan, DAA, Op. Cleft, etc.
2. **Micro-NGOs** – with clear focus, manageable scale
3. **Work with small-medium size Aust-based NGOs**  
to meet donor objectives (RAWCS, tax-free charity status?)



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## Finding partners

4. **Challenge of linking donors / clubs to clients**  
**Opportunity:** SWP workers from Pacific Islands, PNG and Timor Leste working around Melbourne
5. **Broaden thinking** – support to local businesses, public services (like AVI, ABV)
6. **Matchmaking skills / resources??**



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## Finding projects

### 1. Multi-lateral donors

WHO, WFP, UNICEF, ILO, FAO, IFAD, WB, ADB, EU

### 2. Bi-lateral donors – DFAT, Danida, DfID, USAID

### 3. Large international NGOs – Red Cross, WVA, CARE

### 4. Technical NGOs – MSF, Technoserve



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## The End Result

1. Communities or technical service providers (clients) have improved capacity (empowered) for planning and implementing sustainable priority activities with less dependence on ongoing external assistance to plan improvement and mobilise additional resources.

2. Rotary International and individual members gain there and here.



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