2013-14 Stands out as a very Successful Year for the Rotary Foundation

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According to the Rotary International's 2013-14 Annual Report, the Rotary Foundation, Rotary's charitable entity, solely funded by voluntary contributions from members and friends of Rotary from around the world, had a very successful fiscal year, putting it in a strong position to continue to make great strides in doing good in the world.

Rotarians from Canada can pat themselves on the back for their generosity as they were among the top ten countries in the world for their contributions to the Annual Fund of the Foundation. With respect to the Annual Fund giving per Rotary Member, Canadian Rotarians were third in the world with an average of US$168 per Rotarian.

ANNUAL FUND GIVING PER ROTARY MEMBER
(2013-14, in U.S. dollars)

TAIWAN	KOREA	CANADA	JAPAN	UNITED STATES	AUSTRALIA	ITALY	GERMANY	BRAZIL	INDIA
$216	$182	$168	$134	$124	$123	$85	$83	$73	$66

Worldwide, Rotarians donated US$117 million, the largest Annual Fund giving ever.   Over the past five year, since 2009-10, Rotarians have increased their giving by US$17 million.
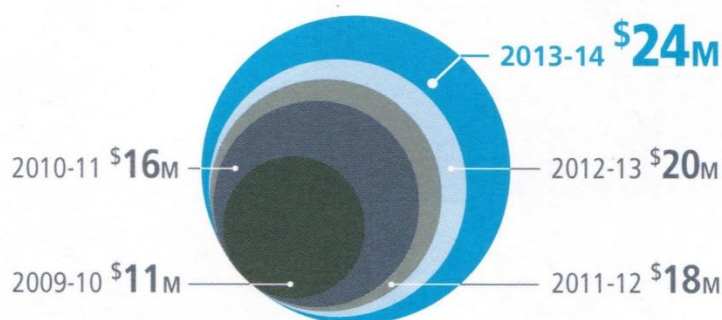

LARGEST ANNUAL FUND EVER
US$ (millions)

2009-10	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14
$100M	$108M	$110M	$115M	$117M

Since 2009-10, the Endowment Fund of the Rotary Foundation has continued to experience growth. Five years ago, the amount of funds in the Endowment Fund were US$11 million. By the end of 2013-14, the amount of funds had increased to US$24 million. This has come about as a result of increased giving by Rotarians and because of a very successful investment return over the 2013-14 Rotary year. During the fiscal year, the Foundation's Endowment Fund's investments had exceptional returns of 16 to 17 percent. The Foundation's Annual Fund had similar investment returns.
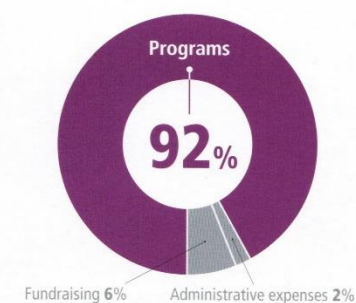
STEADY GROWTH IN ENDOWMENT FUND
US$ (millions)

2013-14 $24M

2010-11 $16M

2012-13 $20M

2009-10 $11M

2011-12 $18M

The Rotary Foundation continued to earn top rating from Charity Navigator. In 2014, the rating was four stars, based on the previous year's results. In the fiscal year of 2013-14, only two percent of the Foundation's expenditures went to administrative expenses and six percent to fundraising. The Foundation directed 92 percent of its spending to programs, far exceeding the benchmarks that independent charity-rating services view as a measure of high efficiency.

THE ROTARY FOUNDATION'S EXPENDITURES WENT TO ...

Programs

92%

Fundraising 6%   Administrative expenses 2%

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