## Club Celebrates Achievement in Surpassing Rotary Foundation Funding Goals for 2022-23

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### A Record Breaking Year for Donations to the Rotary Foundation

The Rotary Club of Kelowna Sunrise celebrated the club's achievement in reaching and surpassing The Rotary Foundation goals established by the club at the beginning of the 2022-23 Rotary year at its Installation Dinner on June 15th, 2023. Not only did the club achieve its goals, but while doing so, it established new records for donations from club members to both the Annual Fund and the PolioPlus Fund of The Rotary Foundation for the Rotary year. This all happened because of those club members who have recognized that The Rotary Foundation impacts and brings about positive humanitarian change throughout the world.

The celebration at the Installation Dinner was featured with a video production by KCS Productions which addressed how the club members who support The Rotary Foundation achieved these outstanding successful fund raising goals.



### TRF Annual Fund



The Rotary club had established a goal for the club members to donate US\$ 18,000 during the 2022-23 Rotary year to the Annual Fund of The Rotary Foundation (TRF). By June 30th of 2023, 36 of the club's members had donated a total of US\$ 23,706, a club per capita rate of US\$ 409 and a 131.7% Achievement rate. This established a new record, Surpassing the per capita rate of US\$315 reached in the Rotary year 2019-20.

#### **PolioPlus Fund**

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The goal for the PolioPlus Fund donations was set at US\$ 4,000 for 2022-23 which was also surpassed and while doing so, established a new record for giving to this Fund. The members of the club who donated to this Fund donated a total of US\$ 5,091, an increase of 127.2 % over the set goal.

When combined with donations to the Endowment Fund of TRF, the members of the Rotary Club of Kelowna Sunrise donated a total of US\$ 29,900. Since its inception back in 1986, the members of the club have donated a total of US\$ 452,493 to the funds of TRF.

### **Paul Harris Fellow Recognition**



The club also celebrated by honouring the Rotarians who were recognized as a Paul Harris Fellow (PHF) and for those who achieved an additional level in the PHF program and for one Rotarian who was recognized as a Major Donor. Seventeen club members received this recognition, four as a PHF+6, two with a PHF+1, three with a PHF+2, two with a PHF+3, two as a PHF+4, three as a PHF+6 and one as a Major Donor. The total donations from these 17 Rotarians since they became Rotary International members has Provided funding of over US\$65,000 for

humanitarian aid throughout the world.

A Rotarian who donates US\$ 1,000 is recognized as a PHF; and for every additional donation of US\$ 1,000 a Rotarian reaches another level from PHF+1 to PHF+8. Once a Rotarian donates over US\$ 9,000, he/she is recognized as a Major Donor (MD). After donating over US\$ 25,000 to TRF, the Rotarian is recognized as a MD, Level 2.

### **Major Donor Recognition**



At the end of June, 2023, the club had eight club members who were recognized as Major Donors and an additional two members who had reached Major Donor, Level 2 status.

## **Paul Harris Society Recognition**



Every Rotary year, a large number of the club Rotarians donate at least US\$ 1,000. These members are recognized as members of the Paul Harris Society (PHS). Ten of the club members achieved this level this Rotary year, many of whom had been recognized as PHS members in past Rotary years as well.

Thank you Kelowna Sunrise Rotarians for supporting The Rotary Foundation and the humanitarian service it provides to those in need throughout the world.