

## Club Increases 2020-21 Financial Support for The Rotary Foundation

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The Rotary Club of Kelowna Sunrise continues to commit to strong support for The Rotary Foundation and its mission to enable Rotarians throughout the world to advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace through the improvement of health, the support of education, and the alleviation of poverty. For the Rotary Year 2020-21 (Jul 01-Jan 30), the club has agreed to increase its funding for the Annual Fund and the PolioPlus Fund of the Foundation by ten percent.

During a presentation to the members of the club on November 13th, Tom Paterson, the club's Foundation Committee Chair, presented the funding goals of the Committee and the progress that had been made to date in achieving these goals. The chart below provides an overview of the goals and the progress being made.

Goal	Achievement		
	Total	Percentage	Per Capita
<b>Annual Fund Donations</b> US\$16,000 (CDN\$21,300)	US\$4,000	25%	US\$53
<b>PolioPlus Fund Donations</b> US\$2750 (CDN\$3650)	US\$2910	106%	US\$39
<b>EREY and Sustaining Members</b>			
EREY US\$25/Member (100%)	22	29%	
Sustaining US\$100/Member (50%)	9	18%	

The chart identifies the goals for EREY and SUSTAINING members. EREY is an acronym for Every Rotarian Every Year and signifies that all of the members of the club will at least donate \$US25 to the Annual Fund of the Rotary Foundation during the Rotary Year. A SUSTAINING member is a club member who donates at least \$US100 to the Annual Fund during the Rotary Year.

Paterson also identified how the Annual Fund works and how it benefits the club, the various ways that club members can make donations to the Rotary Foundation, how they can achieve a Paul Harris Fellow (PHF) and additional multiple PHFs, and how the Endowment Fund of the Rotary Foundation works and how Rotarians and others can endow and/or make bequests to the Fund.

To date, 19 club members are benefactors and 13 members are Bequest Society members. Benefactors are individuals who make a cumulative \$US1,000 to \$US9,999 gift or pledge to the Endowment Fund; while Bequest Society Members are individuals who make a cumulative \$US10,000 to \$US24,999 gift or pledge to the Endowment Fund.