

## Club Awarded for Generous Support of the Annual Fund of The Rotary Foundation

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The Rotary Club of Kelowna Sunrise was recently awarded by the Trustees of The Rotary Foundation with a special 2019-20 banner in recognition for their substantial support of the Annual Fund of The Rotary

Foundation. Past-President (1999-2000) Susan McIntyre advised and congratulated the members of the club of the award during the Regular Zoom Meeting of the club on December 11, 2020.

The club was one of 1,550 clubs to achieve **Top Three Highest in Per Capita Annual Giving** honours in their district during the Rotary Year 2019-20. The final analysis for 2019-20 revealed that club members had donated a total of US\$23,045 at a per capita rate of US\$303.20. The total donations had surpassed the goal set by the club by 371%.



Eric Schmelling, Chief Philanthropy Officer for The Rotary Foundation of Rotary International, in communication with the club stated that the Rotary Club of Kelowna Sunrise was distinguished from more than 35,000 Rotary clubs worldwide.

Schmelling also shared that the Kelowna Sunrise club was one of only 3,400 clubs worldwide to attain status as an **Every Rotarian, Every Year** club, meaning that the club had achieved a minimum Annual Fund contribution of US\$100 per capita with every member contributing at least US\$25 to the Annual Fund.

Additionally, Schmelling stated that the Rotary Club of Kelowna Sunrise was one of 4,000 clubs worldwide to become a **100% Foundation Giving Club** whereby the club had achieved an average of US\$100 per capita giving, and 100% participation, with all members contributing at least US\$25 to any or all of The Rotary Foundation Funds (Annual Fund, PolioPlus Fund, approved global grants or Endowment Fund).