

Club Rotarian Recognizes the Merits of Supporting The Rotary Foundation

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Kelowna Sunrise Rotarians recognize the value and work of The Rotary Foundation, which continues to receive the highest possible score from Charity Navigator, an independent evaluator of charities. Club member Wayne Evans is one of the many club Rotarians who believe that The Rotary Foundation, based on this rating, is the best charity that he can invest in to make a difference in the world.

On June 01, Wayne Evans was recognized with a PHF+3 for his continuous financial support of the work of The Rotary Foundation. Club Foundation Committee Chair Bob Fortier presented Wayne with a pin to commemorate this achievement and commitment to the Foundation. His financial donations over the years have amounted to over US\$4000.



In September of 2017, The Rotary Foundation was recognized for earning a maximum 100 points for both demonstrating strong financial health and commitment to accountability and transparency. Additionally, for the ninth straight year, it received a 4-star rating from Charity Navigator that verifies that The Rotary Foundation of Rotary International exceeds industry standards and outperforms most charities in its area of humanitarian work. This clearly exemplifies that The Rotary Foundation stands apart from its peers and demonstrates to the public its trustworthiness.

Rotary Foundation of Canada is considered a large-cap charity with donations of US\$9.5m in 2015. Its administrative costs are 2% of total revenues and fundraising costs are 4% of donations. For every dollar donated, 94 cents goes to the cause. At the close of 2015, total funding reserves stood at US\$30.4m which can cover program costs for just under four years. The Foundation has only one reported employee.

What does this all mean to Kelowna Sunrise Rotarians and for the 1.2 million Rotarians around the world? To Wayne and other financial supporters of The Rotary Foundation, this means that every dollar they donate to The Rotary Foundation will clearly make a far greater impact than any other charity in helping those in need.