***Thank You Sunrise Rotarians for Changing Lives***

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The Rotary Foundation, as it celebrates its centennial, will reach its goal of raising US300 million during the current Rotary year of 2016-17.  Rotarians from the Rotary Club of Kelowna Sunrise are certainly are playing a part in realizing this goal.  As of the end of December of 2016, half way through the current Rotary year, Rotarians from the club have contributed over US$9103.

Rotarians from the Sunrise Rotary club have participated in changing lives through their contributions to The Rotary Foundation and its programs which contribute to………

**Eradicating polio**

**Thanks to Sunrise Rotarians**, we are closer than ever to ending

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polio. The Foundation reports that the number of cases has been

reduced by 99.9 percent since 1988, and with its partners, have

immunized more than 2.5 billion children worldwide. To end polio for

good, every last child in Afghanistan and Pakistan must be

immunized, the newly detected outbreak in Nigeria must be

contained, and all of the partners in eradicating polio must be diligent

in the prevention of polio outbreaks in all of the current polio-free

countries of the world.

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**Promoting peace and conflict resolution**

**Thanks to Sunrise Rotarians**, we are making a significant effort

to promote peace through the Rotary Peace Centers program which

was established in 2002. Each year, the program trains some of the

world’s most dedicated and brightest professionals, preparing them

to promote national and international cooperation and to resolve

conflict.

**Providing education and overcoming literacy**

**Thanks to Sunrise Rotarians**, educational projects that provide



technology, teacher training, vocational training teams, student meal

programs, and low-cost textbooks are being made available to

communities in third world countries that do not have the financial

means to attain these basic educational needs.   With over 67 million

children with no access to education and more than 775 million illiterate

people over the age of 15 in the world, Rotarians recognize the need to

continually financially support these projects; and in doing so create the

means to strengthen the capacity of communities to support basic

education and literacy, reduce gender disparity in education, and

increase adult literacy.

**Preventing disease**

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**Thanks to Sunrise Rotarians**, there is a concerted effort to prevent

and treat disease in countries.  Health camps and training facilities are

being put into place to fight the spread of HIV/AIDS and malaria in

struggling communities.  Infrastructure is being provided for doctors,

nurses, governments and partners who are unable to afford to pay for

health care; and infrastructure is being put into place for improved

drinking water and sanitation.

**Ending hunger**



**Thanks to Sunrise Rotarians**, financial support and guidance is

being provided to local communities and citizens in underdeveloped

countries to assist them in the implementation of sustainable economic

development and the means for enhanced family income.  Increased

access to and production of food, better management of natural

resources, and access to cleaner water ultimately will provide a means

to the increasing worldwide hunger problem.