

ROTARY CLUB OF SASKATOON

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CHAPTER ONE WHAT IS ROTARY?

Rotary is a volunteer organization of 1.2 million business and professional leaders united worldwide to provide humanitarian service and help build goodwill and peace. About 32,000 Rotary clubs in more than 200 countries and geographical areas conduct projects to address today's challenges – including illiteracy, disease, hunger, poverty, lack of clean water, and environmental concerns – while encouraging high ethical standards in all vocations.

As the world's largest private provider of international scholarships, The Rotary Foundation of Rotary International helps more than 1,000 students annually to study abroad and serve as cultural ambassadors. Rotary also partners with seven prestigious universities around the world, providing opportunities to earn a master's degree in peace and conflict resolution.

PolioPlus is Rotary's flagship program. By the time polio is eradicated, Rotary Club members will have contributed US\$850 million and countless volunteer hours to immunize more than two billion children in 122 countries. Rotary is a spearheading partner in the Global Polio Eradication Initiative, along with the World Health Organization, UNICEF, and the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Founded in Chicago in 1905 as the world's first volunteer service organization, Rotary quickly expanded around the globe. Today, club members meet weekly to plan service projects, discuss community and international issues, and enjoy fellowship. Clubs are nonpolitical and open to every race, culture and creed.

CHAPTER TWO HOW DID ROTARY BEGIN?

Changing the world through service was hardly uppermost in the mind of Paul P. Harris when he founded the organization in 1905. Harris, a Chicago lawyer, was raised in a rural village near Vermont. He envisioned a new kind of club that would kindle the fellowship and friendliness he had known in his youth.

On the evening of 23 February 1905, Harris invited three friends to a meeting. Silvester Schiele, a coal dealer; Hiram Shorey, a merchant tailor; and Gustavus Loehr, a mining engineer, gathered with Harris in Loehr's business office in Room 71 of the Unity Building in downtown Chicago. They discussed Harris' idea that business leaders should meet periodically to enjoy camaraderie and to enlarge their circle of business and professional acquaintances. They decided the club should meet weekly and to limit

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membership to one person from each business and profession. The gathering is commonly regarded as the first Rotary club meeting. The term “Rotary” was eventually adopted to denote that the meetings rotated to different workplaces of members.

Rotary’s popularity soon spread throughout the USA. The second Rotary club was chartered in 1908 in San Francisco, California, with a third club formed in Oakland California. Other followed in Seattle, Washington; Los Angeles, California; and New York, New York. When the Rotary Clubs held its first in 1910, Harris was elected president.

The first Rotary Club outside the United States was formed in Winnipeg in 1910; Saskatoon’s first Club was formed in 1917. Since Rotary’s beginning, the organization has flourished and grown to an international group of over 1.2 million people.

Membership is open to both men and women by invitation.

CHAPTER THREE WHY JOIN ROTARY?

There are a number of reasons why thousands and thousands of men and women are attracted to Rotary:

1. Friendship – In an increasingly complex world, Rotary provides one of the most basic human needs: the need for friendship and fellowship. It was the main reason Rotary began in 1905.
2. Citizenship in the Community – Membership in a Rotary Club makes one a better community citizen. The average Rotary Club consists of the most active citizens of any community.
3. Continuing education – At each Rotary meeting, there is a program designed to keep one informed about what is going on in the community, nation and world. Each meeting provides an opportunity to listen to different speakers and a variety of timely topics.
4. Leadership Development – Rotary is an organization of leaders and successful people. Serving in Rotary positions provides opportunities to learn from others how to motivate, influence and lead.
5. Fun – Rotary is fun because Rotarians are nice people. When they get together for their meetings, a service project, or to relax at social events, it’s always good fun.
6. The Development of Ethics – Rotarians practice a 4-Way Test (See below)
Rotarians consciously use these questions to govern their ethical standards in business and personal relationships. Rotarians are expected to strive for excellence in their vocations.
7. Cultural Awareness – Around the world, practically every religion, country, race, creed, political persuasion, language, colour, and ethnic identity is found in Rotary. Rotarians become aware of the cultures of others and learn to live and work with people everywhere.

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8. Assistance when travelling – Many a Rotarian in need of a doctor, lawyer, dentist, hotel, or a helping hand from a trusted source has found excellent assistance from a Rotarian while travelling. Members also know they are welcome visitors at any Rotary club throughout the world.
9. Family Programs – Rotary sponsors the world’s largest youth exchange program, scholarships for students abroad, high schools and college clubs for future Rotarians, opportunities for partner involvement, and a host of activities designed to help family members in personal growth and development.
10. The opportunity to Serve – Rotary is a service club. Rotarians provide service to both local and international communities. As members of a huge international organization, their individual service efforts are magnified. This is perhaps the best reason for becoming a Rotarian – the chance to do something for others. Rotarians work to earn a living; they serve to earn a life.

CHAPTER FOUR GUIDING PRINCIPLES

These principles have been developed over the years to provide Rotarians with a strong, common purpose and direction. They serve as a foundation for our relationships with each other and the action we take in the world.

1. Object of Rotary

The Object of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise and, in particular, to encourage and foster:

- i. The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service;
- ii. High ethical standards in business and professions; the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations; and the dignifying of each Rotarian’s occupation as an opportunity to serve society;
- iii. The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian’s personal, business, and community life;
- iv. The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.

2. The Four-Way Test

The Four-Way Test is a nonpartisan and non-sectarian ethical guide for Rotarians to use for their personal and professional relationships. The test has been translated into more than 100 languages, and Rotarians recite it at club meetings:

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“Of the things we think, say or do.

- i. Is it the TRUTH?
- ii. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
- iii. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
- iv. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all?”

3. Avenues of Service

We channel our commitment to service at home and abroad through five Avenues of Service, which are the foundation of club activity.

- i. Club Service focuses on making clubs strong. A thriving club is anchored by strong relationships and an active membership development plan.
- ii. Vocational Service calls on every Rotarian to work with integrity and contribute their expertise to the problems and needs of society.
- iii. Community Service encourages every Rotarian to find ways to improve the quality of life for people in their communities and to serve the public.
- iv. International Service exemplifies our global reach in promoting peace and understanding. We support this service avenue by sponsoring or volunteering on international projects, seeking partners abroad, and more.
- v. Youth Service recognizes the importance of empowering youth and young professionals through leadership development programs such as Rotoact, Interact, Rotary Youth Leadership Awards, and Rotary Youth Exchange.

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CHAPTER FIVE HISTORY OF ROTARY CLUB IN SASKATOON

The Rotary Club of Saskatoon was founded on August 17th, 1917. There were 35 charter members and the first president was Arthur Moxon, a lawyer and University Dean of Law. The Club's formative years were during WWI, so the early service years were in harmony with the "Greater Production Campaign". The first major project was a farm operation on 230 acres south of the City. It was seeded to wheat and harvested by Rotarians who donated time, oil and gas.

In the 1920's, the Club became interested in the Children's Aid Society, adopted the annual fund drive, and raised a total of \$40,700. The effort resulted in the establishment of Kilborn Hall. On March 1st, 1929, the Club was honoured by the visit of Paul Harris, the RI Founder.

In the 1930's, Christmas hampers and parcels of clothing to needy families were provided; flowers were distributed to the hospitals; and a student loan fund was organized.

In the 1940's, the Club undertook sponsorship of the Saskatoon Symphony Orchestra Association and did much to build the needed public support.

In the 1950's, members and their wives organized the Easter Seal Campaign for the Saskatchewan Council for Crippled Children.

In the 60's, international youth exchanges were sponsored and scholarship programs were established. In the 70's, a timing device for the Harry Bailey Aquatic Centre was purchased.

In the 80's, the first steps were taken to develop Rotary Park.

In the 90's, the Club was very active in World Community Service. International projects were undertaken in St. Vincent, Brazil and Zimbabwe. We also supported a community initiative to develop inner-city pre-schools.

In the 2000's, Badge and Shield Dinners were held to recognize the role of police and fire services in the city. The Club also established the Sid Buckwold Community Trust Fund in memory of one of our former members and chose to seek out a local project with an emphasis on youth. By partnership with local groups and the support of the Provincial Government, the three-year Mount Royal Project was launched in 2002. Our Rotarians supported the project generously by personal donations to the Sid Buckwold Trust Fund. We hired a restorative justice specialist to work full-time in Mount Royal Collegiate. Students learn non-confrontational ways of dealing with violence, developing their leadership skills, and improving the overall school climate. In 2006-07 our project included Bedford Road Collegiate. The program gained momentum and credibility and now operates in nine High Schools / Collegiates. The project evolved from a project to a program now operating as a registered charity under the name of Saskatoon Restorative Action Program Inc. All five Rotary Clubs in Saskatoon are part of the overall governance and oversight of this program. A memorandum of agreement between the five Rotary Clubs in Saskatoon outlines three primary collaborative commitments for this signature project:

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1. Recruit volunteer professionals to serve RAP in the areas of: finance; communications; legal; fundraising; record management; performance measurement; risk management; strategic planning; administrative support and board governance.
2. Secure sufficient funding to secure professional services to RAP for: senior administrative staff (e.g. Executive Director; administrative assistant); annual audit; ongoing data management services to support program monitoring and program evaluation functions; promotion activities; public and staff relations; comprehensive insurance coverage; office supplies; and any professional services not obtained through volunteers.
3. Collaborate in all matters related to the Badge, Shield and Star (BSS) fundraising dinner.

On August 15th, 2017, all five rotary clubs celebrated 100 years of Rotary in Saskatoon. Rotary International President Ian Risely joined us to mark the occasion. An audio visual of our 100 years of history in Saskatoon was prepared for the event. Please contact the Rotary Club of Saskatoon to arrange a viewing.

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CHAPTER SIX COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECTS

Community Service Projects generally fall into two broad categories:

INTERNATIONAL

The role of the International Service Team is to unite rotary Clubs from two or more countries to serve one of their communities. By advancing international understanding and goodwill through service, International Service Projects reflect the heart of Rotary and provide exciting, challenging, and rewarding opportunities to Rotarians.

International Service projects aim to:

- i. Improve the quality of life of those in need through international service.
- ii. Encourage cooperation between clubs and districts in different countries.
- iii. Provide an effective framework for exchanging information regarding project needs and assistance.
- iv. Highlight the importance of implementing projects that help people help themselves.
- v. Educate Rotarians about project funding opportunities; such as Rotary Foundation.
- vi. Communicate successful project experiences to other Rotarians.

All projects funded by global grants work towards one or more of the following areas of focus:

- i. Peace and conflict prevention/resolution;
- ii. Disease prevention and treatment;
- iii. Water and Sanitation;
- iv. Maternal and child health;
- v. Basic education and literacy; and
- vi. Economic and community development.

LOCAL

Local community service projects arise through discussions with club members, local community groups or organizations. Rotary members will: build a collaborative effort to attack problems other people can't or won't; bring everyone together for a common cause; pursue a solution that works for everybody; lead efforts to raise funds for projects; and mobilize resources to get things done.

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CHAPTER SEVEN EXPECTATIONS FROM MEMBERS

Every member of the Club is expected to fulfill the following obligations:

1. To represent your vocation in this club; and to become the ambassador from us to your classification;
2. To carry out certain duties and obligations as a member of this Club;
3. To attend the club's meetings regularly;
4. To perform your share of club service, and to place your knowledge and talents at the disposal of the club in its task of carrying the principles of Rotary;
5. To portray our ideal of friendship; and
6. To pay their membership dues promptly.

There are 5 types of membership:

- a. Individual Membership – full privileges (Approved – Board Meeting – October 9, 2019)

Rotary International dues	\$ 91.80 (\$68US x 1.35) 2019-2020
Rotary Magazine	\$ 21.60 (\$16US x 1.35) 2019-2020
Rotary District 5550 dues	\$ 61.50 (\$58CAD+PST)2019-2020
Rotary District Insurance	\$ 26.50 (\$25CAD+PST)2019-2020
Club Operations	\$ 108.60 (2019-2020)
- b. Corporate Membership (Approved – Board Meeting – October 9, 2019)

Pay and register two individual memberships for \$500 plus \$50 for each associate non-voting membership. Only two votes per Corporation.
- c. Friends of Rotary (Approved – Board Meeting – October 9, 2019)

This is a list of individuals interested in our Rotary Club. The intent is to use this list for communication, educational and motivation purposes. There is no cost and no obligation associated with individuals on this list.
- d. Under-35 Membership (Approved – Board Meeting – October 9, 2019)

Cost is \$205 per membership. This category has full membership rights and privileges but only pays Rotary International and Rotary District 5550 dues, Rotary Magazine fees and Rotary District Insurance plus a small contribution to Club Operations.
- e. Spousal Membership (Approved – Board Meeting – October 9, 2019)

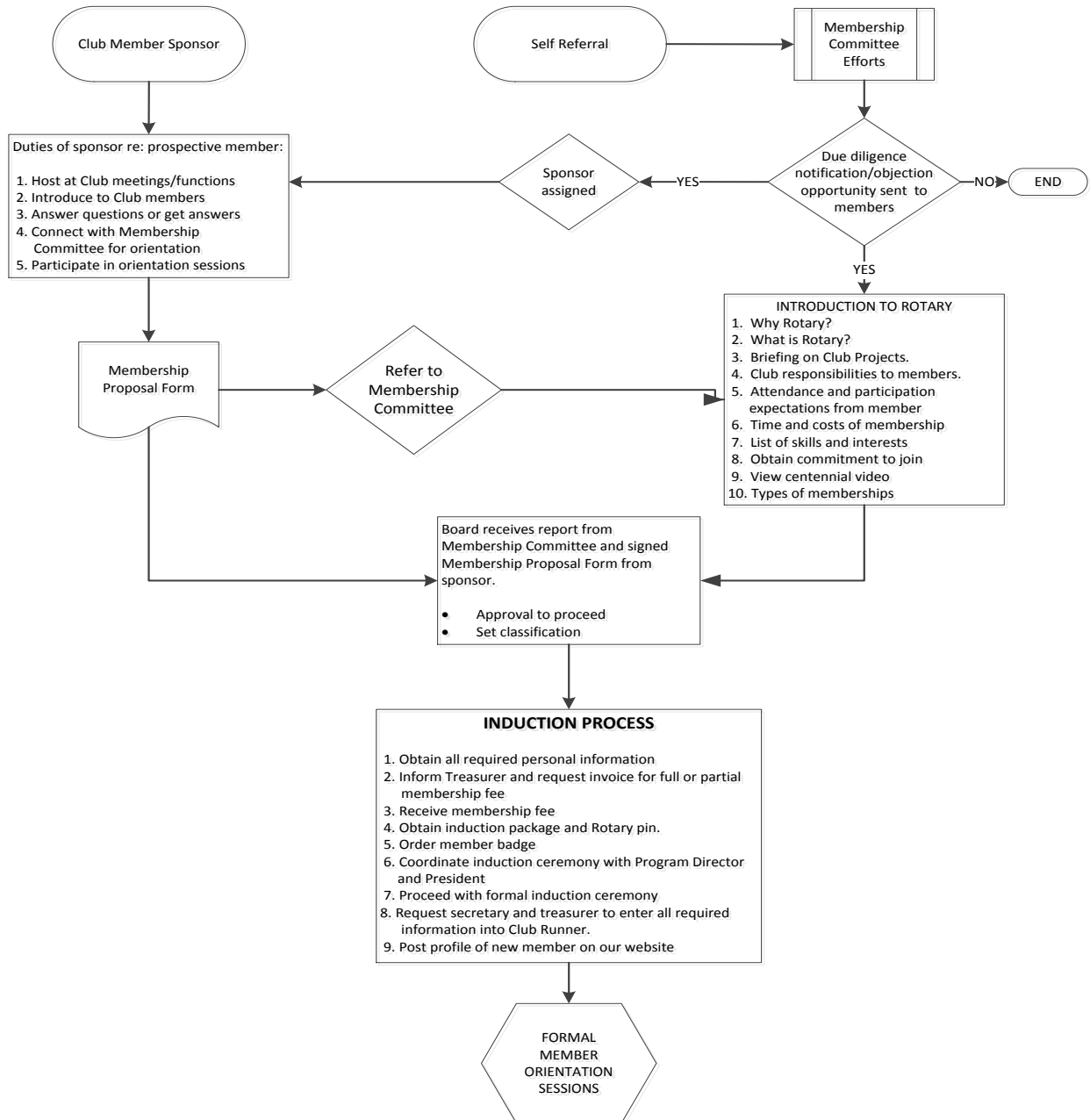
This membership is available to spouse/partner of an individual member. Does not join Rotary International and does not pay Rotary International and Rotary District 5550 dues, Rotary Magazine fees and Rotary District Insurance. Cost is \$25 per membership. This membership has all club privileges including participation in, and voting on any decisions of, a club committee or project.

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CHAPTER EIGHT MEMBERSHIP PROCESS



Prospective
Members



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CHAPTER NINE

ROTARY GIVING

The Rotary Foundation

The mission of The Rotary Foundation is to enable Rotarians to advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace through the improvement of health, the support of education, and the alleviation of poverty. More than 100 years ago, Rotarians took bold action to empower generations to come — they established The Rotary Foundation to secure a better future. Today still, The Rotary Foundation transforms gifts into projects that change lives close to home and around the world. As the charitable arm of Rotary, the Foundation benefits from a global network of Rotarians who invest their time and expertise ensuring that projects are high-impact and sustainable and meet the most pressing needs of the communities they serve. Strong financial oversight, a stellar charity rating, and a unique funding model mean that Rotary makes the very most of your contributions.

Charity Navigator, the largest independent evaluator of U.S. charities, ranks the 10 top charities from the more than 8,000 organizations it reviews each year. The Rotary Foundation is ranked 9th. The rankings account for a charity's efficiency, financial performance, transparency, and accountability.

Donations can be made to The Rotary Foundation at this website link: www.rotary.org/en/donate. You will be asked to direct your contributions to one of two funds: Polio Plus or Share Fund. The Polio Plus program is described in Appendix A.

Your gift to the Annual Fund helps Rotary clubs take action today to create positive change in communities at home and around the world. Your contributions help us strengthen peace efforts, provide clean water and sanitation, support education, grow local economies, save mothers and children, and fight disease. The Every Rotarian Every Year initiative asks every Rotarian to support The Rotary Foundation every year. In addition to contributing to the Annual Fund on a regular basis, members are encouraged to get involved in a Foundation project or program.

Through the SHARE system, contributions to The Rotary Foundation are transformed into grants that fund local and international humanitarian projects, scholarships, and activities, such as vocational training teams. At the end of every Rotary year, contributions directed to the Annual Fund from all Rotary clubs in the district are divided between the World Fund and the District Designated Fund, or DDF.

At the end of three years, your district can use the DDF to pay for Foundation, club, and district projects that your club and others in the district choose. Districts may use up to half of their DDF to fund district grants. The remaining DDF may be used for global grants or donated to PolioPlus, the Rotary Peace Centers, or another district.

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CHAPTER TEN

ENDOWMENT GIVING

The Rotary Foundation created the Endowment in 1982 to give future generations of Rotarians the additional resources they need to design and implement sustainable projects year after year. While a gift to the Annual Fund helps people live better lives today, gifts to Rotary's Endowment support the same life changing programs forever. Contributions to Rotary's Endowment are invested and professionally managed to provide a stream of income to support Rotarians' local and global philanthropic work in perpetuity. This year, earnings provided \$15.6 million in support for the work of the Foundation. Those earnings provided Rotary Peace Fellowships, contributed to global grant projects around the world, and enabled districts to address the needs of their own communities through district grants. As the Endowment grows, so does the good that Rotarians can do in the world.

NAMED ENDOWMENT FUNDS

With a gift of \$25,000 or more to the Endowment, Rotarians or friends of Rotary may create a permanent legacy in their own name or in honor of a friend or family member. Rotary pools these gifts for investment purposes, but maintains a separate accounting for each named endowed fund. Donors receive a personalized endowed fund certificate suitable for framing when their fund is established, along with annual financial updates. As of 30 June 2018, there were 1,652 named endowed funds within the Endowment, representing 47 countries and geographical regions around the world. The face value of named endowed funds totaled \$237 million. In 2017-18, 184 new named endowed funds were established, with contributions totaling \$12.4 million. Visit rotary.org/legacy for information on endowed naming opportunities.

SPENDING POLICY

The Rotary Foundation Trustees set spending rates for the Endowment each year. Spending from each named endowed fund is determined by comparing its market value as of 31 December with the principal amount contributed (the gift value). This allows as many named endowed funds to support Rotary programs as is possible. Any named fund that has a market value that is at least 90 percent of the total contributions to the fund will provide spendable earnings for the fund's designated programs. If a fund's market value is less than 90 percent of the total gift value, distributions will be deferred in order to build the fund for the future. This policy allows the Foundation to maximize support for programs today while letting the Endowment grow so it can also support programs in the future.

The Endowment makes an annual distribution for programs and operating expenses equal to the amount of spendable earnings approved by the Trustees. For Rotary year 2017-18, spendable earnings totaled \$15.6 million, of which \$13.9 million was used for programs (\$12.7 million for awards and \$1.2 million for program operations); \$1.0 million was used for fund development, and \$0.7 million for general administration expenses. Spendable earnings are transferred to a spendable earnings account, and if they are not used in the year they are made available, they remain in the account to be used in a subsequent year. This protects spendable earnings from market fluctuation before they are utilized for the intended program.

Rotarians are working toward the goal of reaching \$1.0 billion in net assets* and \$1.025 billion in commitments† for future gifts, totaling \$2.025 billion for the Endowment by 2025. As of 30 June 2018, net assets came to \$466.5 million and commitments totaled \$804.9 million, for a combined total of nearly \$1.3 billion.

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APPENDIX A

SIGNATURE ROTARY INTERNATIONAL PROJECT POLIO PLUS

Polio

Poliomyelitis (polio) is a paralyzing and potentially fatal disease that still threatens children in some parts of the world. The poliovirus invades the nervous system and can cause total paralysis in a matter of hours. It can strike at any age but mainly affects children under five. Polio is incurable, but completely vaccine-preventable.

PolioPlus

In 1985, Rotary launched its PolioPlus program, the first initiative to tackle global polio eradication through the mass vaccination of children. Rotary has contributed more than \$1.7 billion and countless volunteer hours to immunize more than 2.5 billion children in 122 countries. In addition, Rotary's advocacy efforts have played a role in decisions by donor governments to contribute more than \$7.2 billion to the effort.

Global Polio Eradication Initiative

The Global Polio Eradication Initiative, formed in 1988, is a public-private partnership that includes Rotary, the World Health Organization, the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, UNICEF, the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, and governments of the world. Rotary's focus is advocacy, fundraising, volunteer recruitment and awareness building.

Polio Today

As recently as 1988, there were 350,000 cases of polio each year, and the disease was endemic in 125 countries. In 2016, there were only three countries that have never stopped transmission of the wild poliovirus: Afghanistan, Nigeria and Pakistan. Just 37 polio cases were confirmed worldwide, which is a reduction of more than 99.9 percent since the 1980s, when the world saw about 1,000 cases per day.

In 2017 there have been only 16 cases, in just two countries: Afghanistan and Pakistan. With a case count so low, the question now is a straightforward one: Will 2018 be the year we get to zero?

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Challenges

The polio cases represented by the remaining one percent are the most difficult to prevent, due to factors including geographical isolation, poor public infrastructure, armed conflict and cultural barriers. Until polio is eradicated, all countries remain at risk of outbreaks.

Ensuring Success

Rotary will raise \$50 million per year over the next three years, with every dollar to be matched with two additional dollars from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation. These funds help to provide much-needed operational support, medical personnel, laboratory equipment, and educational materials for health workers and parents. Governments, corporations and private individuals all play a crucial role in funding.

Rotary in Action

More than one million Rotary members have donated their time and personal resources to end polio. Every year, hundreds of Rotary members work side-by-side with health workers to vaccinate children in polio-affected countries. Rotary Members work with UNICEF and other partners to prepare and distribute mass communication tools to reach people in areas isolated by conflict, geography, or poverty. Rotary members also recruit fellow volunteers, assist with transporting the vaccine, and provide other logistical support.

‘This Close’ Campaign

Rotary has a growing roster of public figures and celebrities participating in its “This Close” public awareness campaign, including Bill Gates, co-chair of the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation; actresses Kristen Bell and Archie Panjabi; WWE superstar John Cena; supermodel Isabeli Fontana; Nobel Peace Prize laureate Archbishop Emeritus Desmond Tutu; action movie star Jackie Chan; boxing great Manny Pacquiao; pop star Psy; golf legend Jack Nicklaus; conservationist Jane Goodall; premier violinist Itzhak Perlman; Grammy Award winners A.R. Rahman; Angélique Kidjo and Ziggy Marley; and peace advocate Queen Noor of Jordan. These ambassadors help educate the public about polio through public service announcements, social media and public appearances.

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APPENDIX B

INTERNATIONAL PROJECTS SPONSORED BY ROTARY CLUBS IN SASKATOON

A. ROTARY CLUB OF SASKATOON

BECAS

The purpose of Becas Scholarship Program is to provide the children of very poor families in the Puerto Vallarta area with the chance of a good education thus enabling them to have a better standard of living than has been available to most of their families.

The program began in 1996 when members of Rotary Club Puerto Vallarta Sur noticed that many bright young students were dropping out of school at age 12 after completing grade 6. The first year of the program, 10 scholarships were donated to deserving students. We now have more than 500 students sponsored by friends and Rotarians from Mexico, Canada, and the USA. Students are now sponsored through to the end of University! In addition, more students have been identified who qualify for the program, and there is a waiting list of approximately 150 students. As a result we are continually looking for new sponsors.

To be eligible to receive a scholarship under the Becas Scholarship Program, the student must remain in school full time and maintain a grade point average of a minimum of 8.5 out of 10. Student qualifications are assessed every year.

Funds are intended for the purchase of school uniforms and footwear, text books, school supplies and the payment of school related fees. The requested amounts do not cover all the student's expenses but, in most cases, it is enough to allow the family to keep the child in school. A number of sponsors do give their student extra money every year to assist with school related expenses. Scholarship Amounts are: Junior High School - \$300 USD per year; Senior High School - \$350 USD per year; University - \$400 USD per year.

Canadian Becas Program for Tax Receipts

Should you wish to receive a charitable donation receipt for Canadian taxation purposes, we have an arrangement with the Rotary Club of Saskatoon to process the scholarship donation payments through that Club's Charitable Trust. Please note that payments through this program to receive a Canadian tax receipt are by Credit Card only.

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HOPE FOR MALAWI

In 2008, Elaine and Peter Zakreski from Saskatoon vacationed in five African Countries; Kenya, Uganda, Tanzania, Zimbabwe and South Africa. As they travelled through these countries they marveled at the spectacular waterfalls, dramatic landscape, animals and beauty of the country.

However they also saw and were moved by the sight of children without parents, shelter and in many instances without food. They encountered a population with limited resources, restricted access to health care and few educational opportunities. But they also saw boundless potential to become self-sufficient.

On their flight home from Nairobi to London Elaine miraculously met a person from Malawi, Arica, who shared much information on challenges facing communities in Africa and in particular her home community in the Domasi Region of Malawi. As Elaine and Peter continued their flight home they determined to help to the best of their ability. Upon arriving home and relating their experiences to friends, many offered to financially help; however, there was no ability to provide receipts for tax purposes. A colleague of Peter suggested an approach to the Rotary Club of Saskatoon who, through their World Services Committee, could provide support and issue tax receipts. The approach was made and a partnership was formed. Subsequently both Elaine and Peter have become active members of the Rotary Club of Saskatoon and continue to receive financial support from the Club and its members. Elaine and Peter have now established their own charity, Hope for Malawi Foundation Inc., and are a registered with Revenue Canada.

Elaine and Peter continue to work very closely with local communities in Malawi on behalf of donors such as the Rotary Club of Saskatoon and many of its members. Needs are determined by leadership at the local level and presented to Hope for Malawi Foundation for adjudication and financial support. To date support has been provided in the provision of; a medical clinic; seven early childhood schools; numerous boreholes; piped water; maize mills; tuck shops; bakeries; funeral insurance program; library; ag business support; post-secondary scholarships; and much more.

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JOY'S CENTRE

Twenty years ago, Joy Kagira was very busy in her village in SW Uganda looking after 69 orphans and vulnerable children in addition to her own 12 children. She could never have dreamed that her big heart would result in a place named after her that is not only flourishing, but has recently received leadership and financial assistance from Rotarians in Saskatoon and around the world so that her work could be expanded and continued. Here is a glimpse into how it happened.

Maureen Too, Joy's youngest daughter, moved with her family to Saskatoon in 2004; but her heart was still in Uganda with the children at Joy's Centre. She was desperately trying to find financial assistance for them when she heard of Rotary. In 2011, the Rotary Club of Saskatoon offered encouragement and financial support. She became a member of the Club and in 2012 officially founded Joy's Centre.

In a recent report to the World community Service Committee of the Rotary Club, attention was drawn to high levels of success in student learning as well as dedication of staff, teachers, volunteers and the local board. The Saskatoon Rotary Club Committee is planning more fund raising activities as there is urgent need for more child sponsors.

Two years ago, a proposal was submitted to the World Community Service Committee for a global grant from Rotary International for Joy's Holistic Health Project. Early attention would be given to water, sanitation and hygiene, with focus later moving to gender issues, environmental sustainability and good governance. Committee members quickly saw the potential for "doing good" with \$10,000 USD raised by local Rotarians, which was leveraged into an \$82,500 USD overall grant request for the project through Rotary International. In the final days of 2018, the project received formal approval from Rotary International. This initiative started during the celebrations of 100 years of Rotary in Saskatoon and it is a fitting way to remember the vision of Rotary International.

Together we see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change – across the globe, in our communities and in ourselves

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SHELTERBOX CANADA

Emergency disaster relief

Disasters don't take time off and neither does ShelterBox. ShelterBox is dedicated to helping ensure no family is left without shelter after natural disaster or conflict – by going where others can't, or won't.

Link to website: www.shelterboxcanada.org/media/

The cost to sponsor a shelter box in Canada is \$1,000 of accumulated donations.

Rebuilding Communities

ShelterBox delivers the essentials people need to begin rebuilding their lives in the aftermath of a disaster.

Each disaster is different, and so is every community. They don't believe that one size fits all, so they make considered assessments to provide the exact support that gives people the hope and the power to transform their own lives.

The aid they supply comes in the form of ShelterBoxes and ShelterKits. Their sturdy green ShelterBoxes contain family-sized tents specially designed to withstand the elements and provide people with temporary shelter until they are able to start the process of rebuilding a home. The ShelterKits contain all of the essential tools people need to start repairing and rebuilding homes straight away.

By providing emergency shelter and tools for families robbed of their homes by disaster, they transform despair into hope.

Their goal is to see a world where no family is left without shelter.

That's not all. They know that a home is much more than bricks and mortar or tarpaulin and tent pegs. The kits and boxes contain the items that help transform shelter into a home, like cooking sets, solar lights and activity sets for children.

They test and evaluate all of the aid provided by talking to, and learning from, the families who use it. This fuels us to be innovative and to continue evolving.

Creating a home is a process that takes time and they support families to continue on that journey.

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ShelterBoxes

The sturdy green ShelterBoxes are designed to help people who have lost everything. They are filled with practical tools and utensils that help to create the framework for everyday life.

Each contains a family-sized tent that protects people from the elements and provides a safe space in which people can start to recover from physical and emotional trauma.

The contents differ depending on the disaster and the climate, but items such as solar lights, water storage and purification equipment, thermal blankets and cooking utensils help start the process of creating a home.



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ShelterKits

The ShelterKits contain a selection of materials, including toolkits, ropes, fixings and heavy-duty tarpaulins, that can be used to make emergency shelters, repair damaged buildings and create the foundations for new homes.

These kits are customized to suit the location and the needs of each community. Sometimes they include corrugated iron to help make resilient roofing, or even room dividers and mattresses to make warehouses habitable – whatever it takes to help people recover from disaster.

The ShelterKits don't just include tools and materials. Depending on the situation, they often add a mixture of other essentials, such as solar lights, mattresses and water containers to help people return to normality as soon as possible.



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NEPAL

One of our new members Prem Sharma is from Nepal and proposed this project.

The project is for our Club to sponsor a meal program in a rural school in the mountains of Nepal. Nepal is a country with a caste system. It is generally a poor country but the people in the lowest caste - the so-called 'untouchables' - experience particular hardship. Many families survive on the equivalent of about \$1,000 per year in Canadian funds. Education is the way for the children of these people to pursue a better life. It is often difficult to get the youth to attend school. It is proposed that by setting up a lunch program in the school we can improve school attendance and improve the eventual outcomes of the children.

Prem is familiar with a particular village that is quite isolated although it is on a major road by Nepal standards. There has been some work done in this village already. In recent years a new school was built by Japanese tourists. This is where the program would take place. There has also been a Rotary Club from Denmark involved in doing work in the village.

The plan would be to provide a lunch to about 75 students through the school year of about 210 days. It is suggested this could be accomplished at the low cost of only \$1,550 per year. It was noted that this is a very modest sum to provide meals to so many students for so many days. It was explained that the diet would be lentils, and rice and wheat. The cost includes a stove and gas cylinders for fuel.

The project will be funded with payments of \$500 every four months. There is a local Rotary club about 20km from the school which will serve as our local liaison. The actual work would be done by the teachers in the school.

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RIPPLE EFFECT

The Ripple Effect Program started with the Kenora Rotary Club, but is now a project of District 5550.

The Ripple Effect Program is committed to creating a rich learning environment, with sustainable schools and the hope for a brighter future for children in Guatemala.

The purpose of the program is to provide an opportunity to children in challenging environments through promoting literacy and education. A stated goal is to promote one community at a time until the country is free from poverty.

Since it began in 1989 ,over 85 schools have been built in rural areas benefiting over 25,000 children. Another important aspect is the construction of bathrooms as the poverty is such that the children don't have sanitary bathrooms. The program also constructs playgrounds, kitchens and computer classrooms. As well, they are installing water filtration systems. Rotary supports teachers in Guatemala through the Ripple Effect Program, and has handed out almost 500 scholarships.

The program operates with Global Grants and they also get matched by the governments, so when money is contributed, it gets multiplied many times over.

The Rotary Club of Saskatoon has been involved in 3 Ripple Effect schools in Guatemala:

- Tameja school in 2009-10
- Los Caneles school in 2011-12
- Chuchuca school in 2014-15

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LOCAL COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECTS

5 CLUB SIGNATURE PROJECT – SASKATOON RESTORATIVE ACTION PROGRAM INC.

How We Got Started

In 2002, staff, students and administrators at Mount Royal Collegiate in Saskatoon began to address violence, intimidation and bullying that had escalated to the point that it was affecting everyone. Attendance, academic performance, school dropout, and the school culture had been negatively impacted. School suspensions were not effective and it was time to find a proactive approach that would benefit the 1,600 students, staff and surrounding community.

A team of educators, administrators, students and community members designed a Restorative Justice Program and sought funding to have a full-time Restorative Justice Facilitator at Mount Royal. After being turned down by several funding agencies, Mount Royal Collegiate found the support they needed.

The Pilot Project

A three-year Restorative Justice Pilot Program was launched at Mount Royal Collegiate in 2003. The program was funded by the Rotary Club of Saskatoon, Saskatoon Public Schools and the Saskatchewan Community Initiatives Fund. Initially the program's aim was to reduce violence and bullying while developing a positive school culture and strategies to address issues that stood in the way of students being successful in school.

Within months, the program committee realized that addressing conflict was not enough. There needed to be strategies to prevent conflict and help disengaged students reconnect with school and their social network. The program developed and expanded on an ongoing basis, and became known as RAP (Restorative Action Program) in 2006. At the end of the three-year pilot, Mount Royal Collegiate knew that having a full-time RAP facilitator was essential. Anecdotal and statistical information showed that the program was reducing violence, resolving conflicts, teaching leadership, life skills and helping all youth become good citizens of our community.

RAP Today

Today RAP is operating in nine high schools throughout Saskatoon. RAP is supported by all five of Saskatoon's Rotary Clubs: Saskatoon Rotary, Nutana Rotary, North Rotary, Meewasin Rotary and Riverside Rotary. These clubs contribute financially, and have representatives who are Board members and serve on the Executive Committee of RAP.

RAP is also financially supported by both school Boards in Saskatoon, government and community agencies, as well as businesses and individuals. Please visit our Funding Partners page for more specific information. The long-term goal of RAP is to have a RAP Facilitator in every school in Saskatoon.

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King George Community School Partnership

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The Rotary Club of Saskatoon has a partnership with King George Community School located in the inner-city of Saskatoon through development of their community room, Christmas market and reading program.

The school was built in 1912 and is located within an affordable community close to the South Saskatchewan River and downtown Saskatoon. The school has about 150 students, with approximately 65% of aboriginal ancestry, and includes many other multi-cultural backgrounds.



King George has a Community School Coordinator and is a hub for educational, social, recreational and cultural activities for the King George neighbourhood. Through our partnership, the Rotary Club of Saskatoon provided funding and hands-on support to build a community room in the school and purchase a drum and teepee for cultural activities at the school. The community room has become a hub for the families in the neighbourhood.

Since 2015 The Rotary Club of Saskatoon has also hosted an annual Christmas market in late December. We collect items for the market throughout the fall to provide the kids an opportunity to “shop” for gifts for their families. Rotary volunteers spend the day in a morning or afternoon shift to help the kids shop and wrap gifts for their families. This is a fun and rewarding day.

Literacy is a key learning priority to the school’s strategic plan. Improving students’ reading comprehension skills is a major focus. We are partnering with the school to provide one-on-one reading to Grade 1 and 2 students to help support the School’s goals of having the students read at their grade level. We are volunteering to read one morning every two weeks for a couple of hours starting at 8:50am.

The school is welcoming to everyone and they pride themselves on building strong relationships and working as a team. Their motto is: Together we are better! The Rotary Club of Saskatoon is happy to partner and support this inner-city school in Saskatoon.



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Westmount Elementary School

Westmount Community School has a Community School Coordinator and is a hub for educational, social, recreational and cultural activities for the Westmount neighbourhood. The Rotary Club of Saskatoon worked with the Community School Coordinator and the school board by providing funding for a new commercial stove to help cook hot meals at breakfast and lunch for young students in the school. This stove replaced worn out stoves that were being used. With a nutritious start to the day and fuel for learning at lunch we are supporting the students and the teachers to get the best results for their educational efforts.

We are also looking at providing additional support for the school as we identify concerns we can work with them on.

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Friendship Inn

Vulnerable people find safe sanctuary at the Saskatoon Friendship Inn, a community centre that evolved from a soup kitchen. The Inn has created a welcoming environment by committing to being responsive and compassionate, and to fostering a sense of belonging among children, youth and adults who experience poverty, with a no-questions-asked policy. At the Inn, people access breakfast, lunch, a family worker, as well as information on topics ranging from health to the law. We offer programs such as a weekly cribbage tournament, tutoring for kids, and parenting classes.

Without proper nutrition, people living in poverty experience high levels of illness and stress. Hunger negatively affects every aspect of daily life in ways that are difficult to understand by those who have not experienced this challenge. By responding with two nutritious meals, 365 days of the year, the Inn empowers youth and adults to bridge the gap between cheques and better manage other daily issues. Serving the needs of vulnerable, marginalized people strengthens our growing community. By eliminating the stress of securing two meals, individuals and families can focus on other relevant issues such as securing housing, finding employment, creating healthy relationships and education for themselves and their children.

Those seeking meals and other services at the Inn include: individuals and families struggling to survive on a fixed income, people experiencing addictions and mental health issues, single mothers and fathers, senior citizens and new immigrants. The Friendship Inn serves between 200-350 meals each day at breakfast; and between 400 and 700 meals for lunch.

Volunteers are a key part of the Friendship Inn's ability to assist people every day. Individuals and groups share their time to help the Inn's staff serve breakfast and lunch. Volunteering enables the wider Saskatoon community to connect with the Friendship Inn family. The Inn depends on volunteers to keep staffing costs low.

Groups volunteering at the Inn are essential to our ability to keep a small staff. Volunteering as a group is a great chance to make a difference in our community, an opportunity for team building and also gives individuals a chance to try out volunteering together with those you know.

The Rotary Club of Saskatoon volunteers two days a year to this hands-on opportunity. Great fellowship as well!

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FUNDRAISING ACTIVITIES

Rotary Badge Shield Star Dinner

The Rotary Badge Shield Star Dinner honours our police, fire and emergency services. The five Rotary Clubs of Saskatoon join forces to pay tribute to the Saskatoon Police Service, Saskatoon Fire Department and Medavie Health Services West. The event takes place in mid-April of every year at Prairieland Park.

In turn, the emergency agencies take the opportunity to honour citizens who have provided them assistance. The Citizen Awards segment of the evening shares stories of everyday citizens who have put the good of the community before themselves.

The purpose of this event is to raise funds to fulfill the combined commitment of the five Rotary Clubs in Saskatoon to provide 100% of all governance, leadership, organizational and professional services to Saskatoon Restorative Action Program Inc.

The fundraising event is in its 22nd year in April 2019.

Our title sponsors, for the past number of years, are Rick & Laurie Hopkinson. Keynote addresses over the years have included:

- 2019 - **Kevin Garinger**, former President and Governor for the Humboldt Broncos speaking on Leadership under Crisis;
- 2018 - **Kevin Lamoureux**, the education lead for the National Centre for Truth and Reconciliation, reminded us that: "Canada is a country that began in partnerships."
- 2017 – Fort McMurray's **Darby Allan**, Fire Chief of the Rural Municipality of Wood Buffalo spoke about the task of evacuating 8,000 citizens who were forced to flee as forest fires devastated that community in May 2016.

Proceeds from this annual fundraiser are distributed to the Rotary Club of Saskatoon (founder of the event) for use in the club's International Community projects and the Rotary Clubs' Restorative Action Program in 9 high schools, where counsellors help troubled youth to deal with their problems and build healthy relationships.

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Masters Golf Pool

The Club acquires a raffle lottery license each year from SLGA to run our Masters Golf Pool based on "The Masters Tournament" held each year in Augusta, Georgia, USA.

Our Club has hosted this lottery for over 10 years. It nets us between \$3,500 and \$5,000 each year.

Conditions of the Lottery license require us to spend the money raised on local projects (something based in Saskatchewan) and return 20% of what we earn to Saskatchewan Golf in support of their junior golf development program.

One of the great things about this fundraiser is that most of the support comes from non-Rotarians. Saskatchewan Golf uses their social media to help promote this for us. Support from our Club members is critical to sell the entries and make it a success; however the amount of time required of individual club members is not too demanding.

Once we get passed 350 entries all of our expenses are paid and the rest is profit. Entries received have ranged anywhere from 448 to 598 the last 7 times we have run it.