

What is the Rotary International (RI) Foundation? This is one of the largest privately funded charitable and educational foundations in the world. Every year Rotarians give generously to the RI Foundation which funds a wide range of humanitarian, educational, and cultural programs around the world. Within the RI Foundation there are two funds.

Annual Programs Fund: Funding comes primarily from Rotarians' contributions that are credited toward their Paul Harris Fellow recognitions. Your money will be invested and untouched for three years, then 50% of the original contribution will be returned to our District for use as District Simplified Grants.

Permanent Fund: This fund ensures the long-term viability of the RI Foundation and its programs. Contributions are invested in perpetuity and a percentage of the total value of the fund is spent annually to benefit Foundation programs. Funding comes primarily from **RI Foundation Benefactors** who give through wills or estate plans,

life income gifts, and gifts of property, cash, or investments.

What are some of the RI Foundation Programs?

- Working toward eradication of Polio in the world
- Worldwide projects to enhance health, alleviate hunger, or improve human development
- International Group Study Exchange teams
- Matching grants for individual clubs' international projects
- Graduate students Global Scholarships
- Rotary World Peace Scholars

What is a "Paul Harris Fellow?" Anyone who contributes \$1,000 or more to the Rotary Foundation's Annual Funds Program is then recognized as a "Paul Harris Fellow."

What is a "Sustaining Paul Harris Fellow?" This is anyone who contributes at least \$100 a year to the Rotary Foundation and has indicated an interest in becoming a Paul Harris Fellow.

What is a "Multiple Paul Harris Fellow?" Anyone who contributes additional \$1,000 contributions is recognized as a Multiple Paul Harris Fellow. Several of our own club members are Multiple Paul Harris Fellows.

Why Should I Become a Paul Harris Fellow? Your tax-deductible donation could help people around the world to improve their lives. You will also help to promote international, cross-cultural understanding and foster world peace.

What is the difference between RI's Foundation and the Palms To Pines Foundation? Our club Foundation was set up to provide a means for tax-deductible donations to our local club programs and projects. All funds distributed through our foundation are donated to tax-exempt organizations within our local valley. You do not receive Paul Harris credit for donations to our club's Foundation.

You can become a Sustaining Paul Harris Fellow. Simply commit to donate at least \$100 each year toward your Paul Harris Fellow.

You will be a Paul Harris Fellow once your donations total \$1,000.

Recognitions are also given for each additional \$1,000 you donate to the RI Foundation's Annual Programs Fund; you don't have to pay it all at once.

Every Rotarian, Every Year. The objective is to have every club member donate something to the RI Foundation each year.

What are Matching Funds? This is money that is sometimes made available at the club or district level to match your RI Foundation donation.

What is an RI Foundation Benefactor? If you write a provision in your will to gift \$1,000 or more to the RI Permanent Fund you will be a Benefactor.

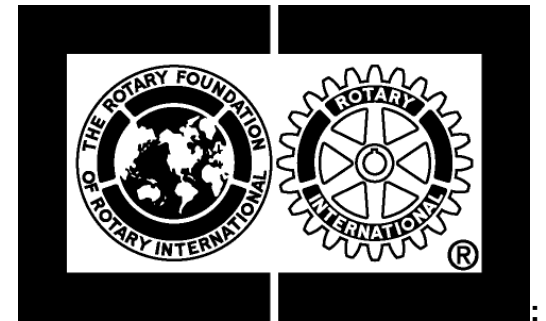
How can you make a contribution? There are a number of options open to you including automatic payments on your credit card. Contact Kay Van Zandt to discuss these options and make a decision on what is best for you:

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ROTARY INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION AND THE PAUL HARRIS FELLOW PROGRAM



WHAT ARE THEY?

WHAT MAKES THEM IMPORTANT TO ME?



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