



District 7040

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2016-2019

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GRANTS MANAGEMENT

Our two remaining dates for
Club Qualification seminars for
2018-2019 grants:

March 10th Cornwall 1p

April 20th Cornwall 5p

Scholarship Applications
due April 15th to PDG Katie!!

HOW DOES YOUR CLUB COMPARE?

Our Area Governors recently reported the following clubs have their Annual Fund Foundation goals completed in *Rotary Club Central*:

Alexandria Bay	AuSable Valley	Canton
Cataraqui-Kingston	Cornwall Sunrise	D7040 Passport
Lake Placid	Massena	Montreal Lakeshore
Mont Tremblant	Ogdensburg	Ottawa
Ottawa Bytown	Ottawa-Stittsville	Plattsburgh
Saranac Lake	South Nepean	Theresa
Watertown	Watertown Evening	Watertown Sunrise
West Ottawa		

We're looking to get all clubs completed for 2017-18 by the end of February and, by April 30th, have each club's 2018-19 goals in place (not just Annual Fund). Questions? Contact your Area Governor, DRFC Bonnie or DGSue.

POLIO CASES

As of 31 December, we ended 2017 with 16 cases:

- Afghanistan YTD 11 with the most recent case Nov 4 2017
- Pakistan YTD 5 with the most recent case August 20 2017
- Nigeria YTD 0 with the most recent case August 21 **2016** (!!)
- Syria/Congo YTD 80 with Vaccine derived cases rather than Wild Polio Virus: last case 13 Sept 2017

What we need to focus on is this last push—the efforts moving us toward our *Countdown to History*. With Nigeria now over 16 months without a case, we are closer to returning Nigeria to the polio-free list. THAT is certainly good news! Any club which would like a 15-20 minute program on what our final steps are going to look like can just ask me—always glad to promote how close we are to eradicating this disease.

REMINDER: GLOBAL GRANT CHANGES IN PLACE

On 23 January changes were made to the global grant reporting section of the [Grant Center](#). The updated report will match the layout and language in the global grant application, making it easier to understand and use.

- **Draft:** If you didn't complete and submit the report before 23 January, hopefully you downloaded a copy of your draft and saved it so you can use it to complete the new report.
- **Authorizations required:** Both primary contacts must authorize the report, and any remaining authorizations must be completed before the report can be submitted to the Foundation.
- **Submitted:** No action was needed. Your report was adjusted to fit the new format but will be reviewed using the previous report format.
- **Accepted:** No action is needed.

JOIN THE TEAM!

The Annual Fund, PolioPlus and Scholarship sub-committees are seeking members to work with the DRFC for 2018-19. If you have a passion for any of these aspects of our Foundation, just drop me a quick email to find out more

WHERE WE STAND

There are **68 Rotary Direct** members in our District at this point. Let's see if we can get to **110 by June 30th** of this new Rotary year. Let's raise awareness during February—Rotary's Birthday Month! Promote Rotary Direct as easiest way to show commitment to Our Foundation. You get to decide how much will be allocated to the Annual Fund, to PolioPlus and to the Rotary Peace Centers. For instance, you could give \$85 per month (which puts you in Paul Harris Society status, if you agree to do this for 10 years) allocating \$50 to the Annual Fund, \$20 to eradicating Polio and \$15 to our Peace Centers. You would be giving to all aspects of our Foundation AND participating in a way you don't have to remember to write a check each month. YOU decide the amounts and where YOU want it to go. You're in charge!

This is the easiest and most efficient manner of giving regularly—monthly, quarterly, annually. You can decide how you want your gift allocated: Annual Fund (which comes right back to us 3 years later in our grants), Polio or Endowment. Want to know more? Drop me an email: bonnie.black@rotary7040.com

DID YOU KNOW MOBILE PHONES FIGHT POLIO?

Community health workers are the front lines of our polio vaccination campaign. They go door to door and stand at busy intersections, train stations, and bus stations to make sure every child is immunized against polio. And with the disease thriving in only a few remote areas in 3 countries, it's up to these health workers to deliver vaccines and share information with speed and accuracy.

In Pakistan, Rotary has been working to replace traditional paper-based reporting with mobile phone and e-monitoring technologies. Community health workers have received more than 800 mobile phones, with a goal to distribute 5,000 by the end of 2018.

Health workers can use the phones to send crucial data by text message. If they see a potential polio case, they can alert officials immediately. They can also note instances of children not receiving the vaccine, parents refusing it, and successful immunizations. The result is a collection of real-time information that officials can easily monitor and assess.



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