



What the Heck is Rotary Anyway?

Rotary Club of
Key Largo





What is a Service Club?

A volunteer non-profit organization, usually composed of business and professional men or women, that is devoted to the principle of volunteer community service and promotes fellowship/networking among its members.



Service Above Self



The world's first service club, the Rotary Club of Chicago, was formed on 23 February 1905 by Paul P. Harris, an attorney who wished to capture in a professional club the same friendly spirit he had felt in the small towns of his youth. The Rotary name derived from the early practice of rotating meetings among members' offices.





Service Above Self

Rotary's popularity spread, and within a decade, clubs were chartered from San Francisco to New York to Winnipeg, Canada. The Rotary Club of Key West was chartered in 1916. By 1921, Rotary clubs had been formed on six continents.

Today there are more than 35,000 Rotary Clubs with more than 1.2 million members worldwide.



The Rotary Wheel



The original wheel was meant to illustrate “civilization and movement”. The Rotary Gear was adopted as the Rotary International symbol in 1923.

The keyway was added shortly after because a keyway locks a gear to the shaft making it a worker, not an idler!

The Four-Way Test



Is it the TRUTH?

Is it FAIR to all concerned?

Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?

Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

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:

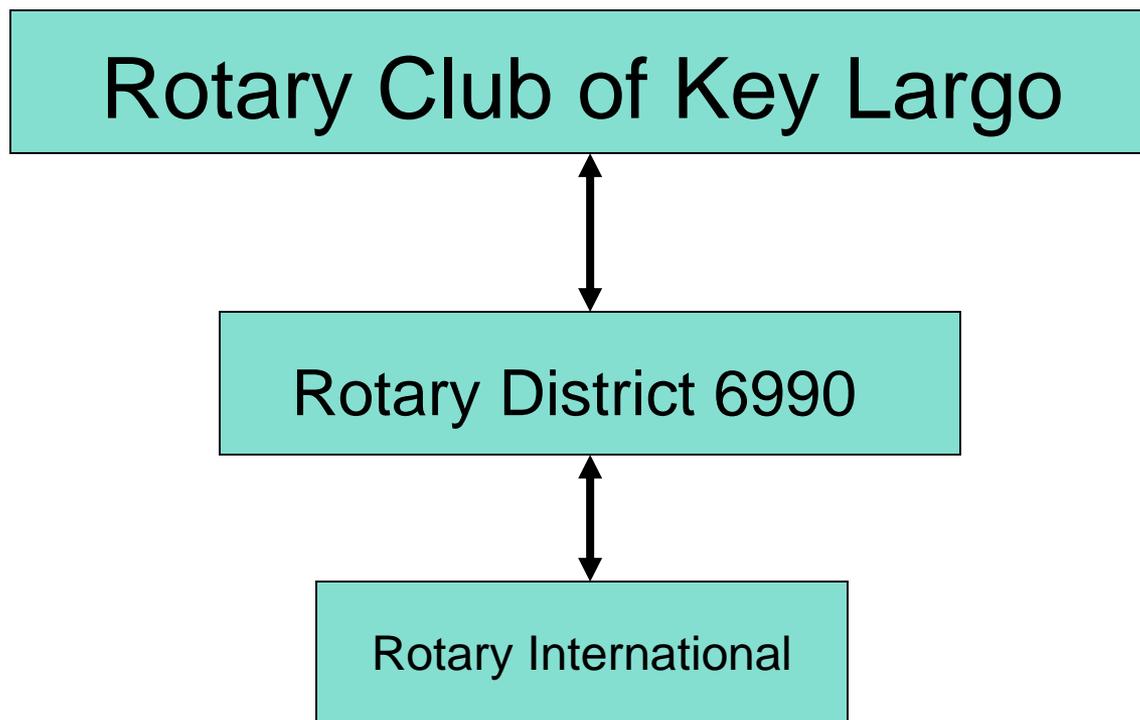
FIRST. The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service;

SECOND. 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;

THIRD. The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business, and community life;

FOURTH. The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.

Rotary Organization



Rotary Club of Key Largo



- January 24, 1990 was the first meeting as provisional club, sponsored by the Upper Keys Rotary Club.
- April 4, 1990 - First breakfast meeting at Sheraton Key Largo Resort.
- April 9, 1990 - Our club was admitted as Rotary Club of Key Largo by Rotary International. John Duffy was our first president
- We began with 66 charter members. Current charter members are Wm. A. (Bill) Andersen, Gretchen Holland, Spencer Slate, and Jim (Doc) Boilini.

Interact



- Coral Shores H.S. Interact Club



Developing leadership skills and personal integrity

Demonstrating helpfulness and respect for others

Understanding the value of individual responsibility and hard work

Advancing international understanding and goodwill



Fund Raisers

- Nautical Flea Market
- Take Stock in Children Backcountry Challenge
- Brew on the Bay
- Foundation Events

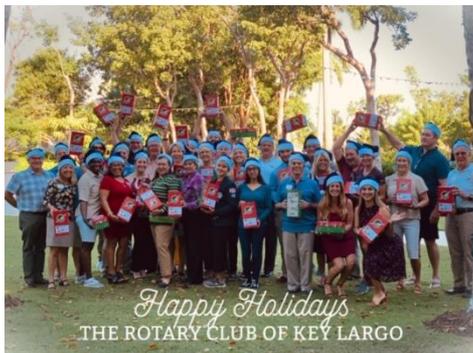


Service



- International Projects
 - PolioPlus
 - Ojochal School, Costa Rica

- Local Projects
 - Scholarships
 - Take Stock in Children
 - Highway Clean-up
 - Burton Memorial Food Kitchen
 - Youth Sports and Activities
 - Literacy



Rotary Foundation

- The Rotary Foundation's mission 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.
- The Rotary Foundation transforms gifts into service projects that change lives both close to home and around the world.
- Since it was founded more than 100 years ago, the Foundation has spent more than \$4 billion on life-changing, sustainable projects.



Rotary Foundation

- Foundation Sustaining Member - \$125/year
- Paul Harris Fellow - \$1000
 - 79% of Key Largo Rotarians are Paul Harris Fellows
 - 22-PHF's
 - 8-PHF's Plus One
 - 5-PHF's Plus Two
 - 1-PHF's Plus Three
 - 1-PHF Plus Four



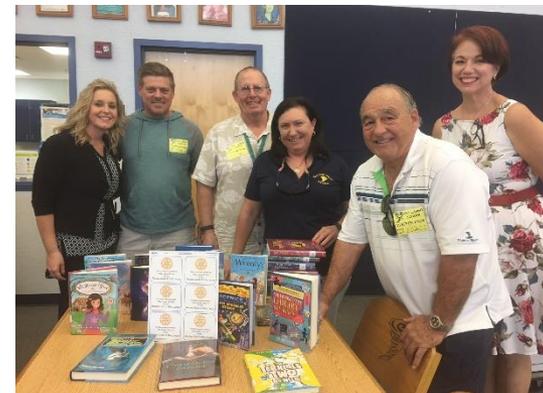
Rotary Foundation



The Rotary Club of Key Largo submitted and received two District grants for 2019-2020. Each program will receive \$1,500 from the Rotary Club of Key Largo and a matching \$1,500 grant from District 6990.

- Educational Materials for Ojochal School, Costa Rica
- Purchase KLS Store Inventory Items in Support of the IBelieve Program

District Grants



PolioPlus



- In 1985, Rotary launched its Polio Plus program, the first initiative to tackle global polio eradication through the mass vaccination of children.
- Rotarians have helped immunize more than 2.5 billion children in 122 countries. So far, Rotary has contributed more than \$1.8 billion toward eradicating the disease worldwide.

PolioPlus

- Every year, hundreds of Rotary members work side-by-side with health workers to vaccinate children in polio-affected countries.
- Rotary members also recruit fellow volunteers, assist with transporting the vaccine, and provide other logistical support.
- Rotary's advocacy efforts have also played a critical role in decisions by donor governments to contribute more than \$7.2 billion to the effort.
- How have we done?





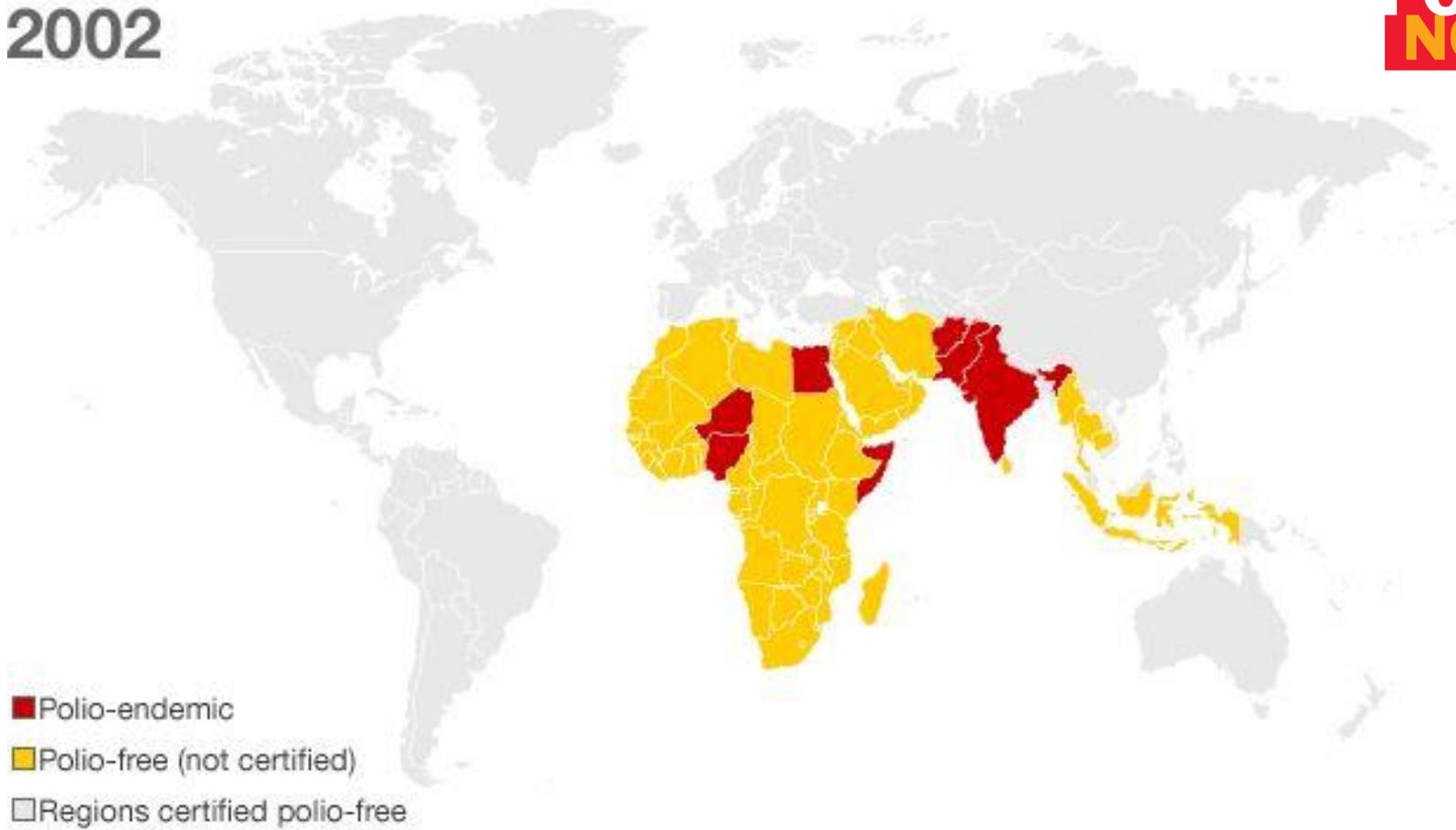
1988



Source: World Health Organisation/Global Polio Eradication Initiative



2002



Source: World Health Organisation/Global Polio Eradication Initiative

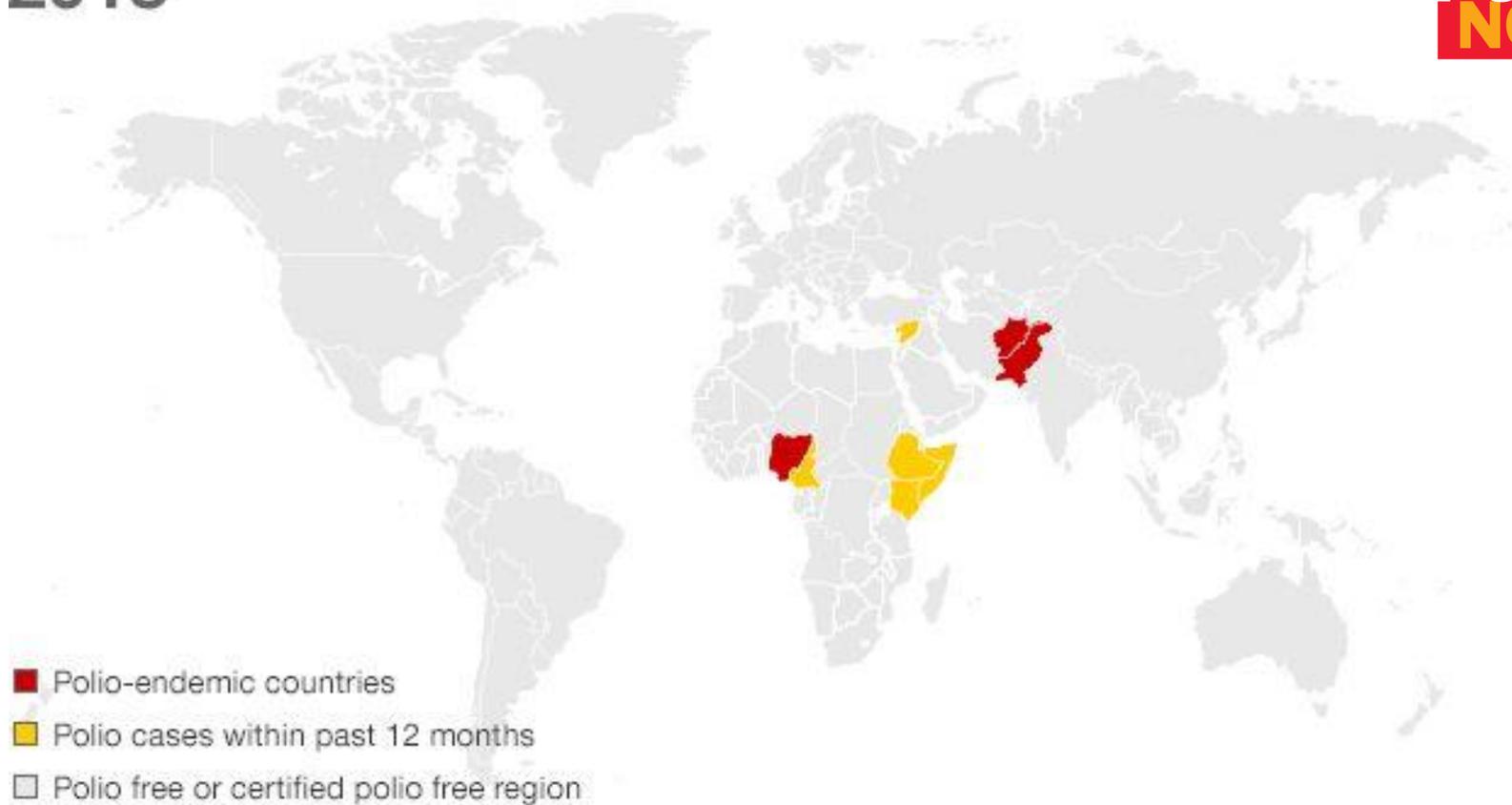


2012



Source: World Health Organisation/Global Polio Eradication Initiative

2013



Source: WHO and Global Polio Eradication Initiative

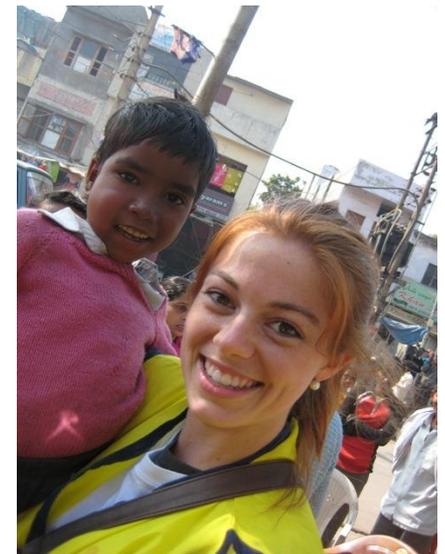
2015



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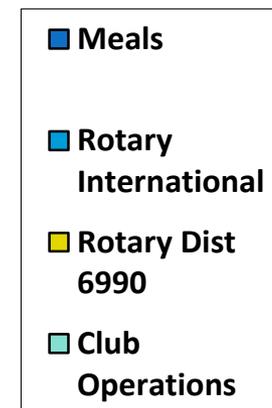
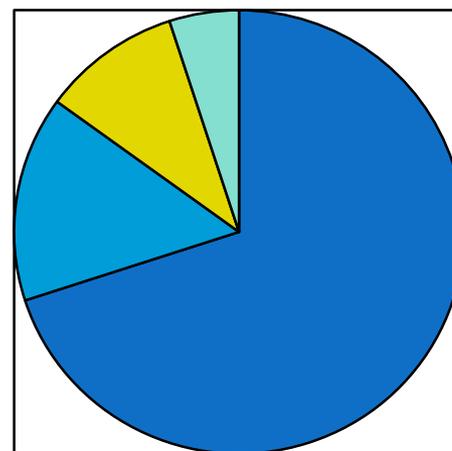
Cases due to wild poliovirus have decreased by over 99% since 1988, from an estimated **350,000 cases** then, to 33 reported cases in 2018. As long as a single child remains infected, children in all countries remain at risk of contracting polio!



Where Do Our Dues, Happy \$'s, and 50/50 Proceeds Go?



- Meals
- Rotary International
 - Membership
 - Insurance
 - Rotary Magazine
- Rotary District 6990 Operations
- Club Operations



The Power and Importance of Rotary in the Florida Keys



- Worldwide – 200,000 population/Rotary Club
- South Florida – 90,000 population/Rotary Club
- Florida Keys – 9,000 population/Rotary Club

Opportunities & Obligations



- Opportunities

- Fun
- Fellowship
- Friendship
- Personal Satisfaction

- Obligations

- Attendance
- Participation
- Involvement
- Dues
- Commitment to Rotary Ideals



Rotarians will be measured by
our deeds not our words.

