



**W**orld Polio Day is a time for Rotarians all over the world to celebrate what we have accomplished and to raise awareness about our continuing efforts to eradicate polio for good.

Please join the members of District 7010 by hosting an event in your community. Go to the Rotary International website [Endpolio.org](https://www.rotary.org/en/EndPolio) and download the 2020 toolkit to help you

start planning your event.

Not sure what to do? Here are a few suggestions. Please remember to practice safe social distancing and wear a mask if required.

(1) You can honor a Rotarian who has made outstanding contributions to our polio eradication efforts.

**Who can nominate a candidate:** Rotarians

**Nomination deadline:** October 1, 2020

**Award type:** certificate or plaque

**To access the survey and view criteria, click here: Note the criteria information link is near the top of the survey. [Eligibility criteria and online nomination form](#)**

Focus your nominations on the candidate's service to polio eradication above and beyond their appointed or elected roles at Rotary International and The Rotary Foundation. Strengthen your nomination by describing the Rotarian's years of service and highlighting their projects, participation in National Immunization Days, and leadership qualities.

If you need more information, write to [PolioPlus@rotary.org](mailto:PolioPlus@rotary.org).

(2) Organize a Polio Walk and call it "*Walking for Polio, so others can*". If possible, get your club (Rotary, Rotaract or Interact) members to each walk a distance that will allow them to join up with another club. For example, all the clubs in area 8 are connected by walking trails. A large portion of the trail system is sponsored by Rotary clubs.

(3) Host a Zoom gathering for friends, work colleagues, or neighbours and show one or more of the excellent videos that can be downloaded from the RI [Endpolio.org](https://www.rotary.org/en/EndPolio) website. Ask them for a donation of \$5.00. If every member of our District raised just \$5.00 that would bring in over \$5,000.00 towards ending Polio. This would then be matched 2 to1 by the Bill and Malinda Gates Foundation.

(4) Check out the media kits on the End Polio website and share the information with a local media outlet. Ask them to highlight World Polio Day.

(5) Share information about Rotary's efforts to eradicate polio on Facebook, Twitter, or Instagram. Tell the world that as of August 25, 2020, Nigeria and the entire African region has been certified wild poliovirus-free.

(6) Use the RI Brand Center to create a People of Action End Polio Now social media post that promotes your club's local events.

(7) Mark your calendar to tune in for Rotary's World Polio Day Online Global Update on October 24, 2020. Visit the Rotary International Facebook page to RSVP to the Online Global Update. Follow the event on social media and share it with your network.

The RI Toolkit resources can help you every step of the way. You can share what you are doing for World Polio Day by going on to the Global Update site. This update will be shown in multiple time Zones and languages. The RI Brand Center also has great resources.

Be sure to tell [District Governor Lynne Chant](#) what you are doing....and we will post it here.

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September 22, 2020



The Rotary Club of Huntsville **Evening Satellite Club** has organized a bottle drive. We felt it was the safest and easiest way to raise funds to help eradicate polio. The bottle drive runs from now until the 24th of October. People can drop off their bottles at Wine Excellence or arrangements can be made to pick them up.

The club has raised almost \$700 to date and only started 3 days ago!!