TRF-DISTRICT 7090

Your District 7090 Monthly Foundation Newsletter







District Scholarships

Rotarians are busy getting ready for our in person District Conference and clean up programs this next week.

Important Dates

Anytime: Global Grants online

July 1-Goals set for Foundation

Dec 31 2022-deadline to apply for VTT for district grant

April Theme-Maternal and Child Health

April 15-District Grant report due

April 24-30 -World Immunization Week

April 30 - deadline for district grant applications

April 30-Distric Scholarship extended

June 21 Webinar foundation

June 30- deadline for global scholarship applications to RI

But we are missing out getting ready for 2023-24 year. We have extended unti April 30th District Scholarships and District grant applications until April 30.

Please help us get the news to students in high school to apply for the 3 district grants up to \$1500 US for a qualified high school student entering further education in the fall. Even if your club has a scholarship you could have them apply for both.

Grants Chair Lezlie has 5 clubs that have applied for District grants who have not applied in recent years which is awesome news, however many other clubs have not submitted an application yet. Don't miss out on the opportunity to get a "free" \$2,000 matching grant for your community projects. Many of the grants committee will be at the District Conference to answer questions please enjoy the conference and come with ideas that can become a project in the future for your club.

Yours in Rotary Sandi Chard Rotary Club of St. Catharines Lakeshore District 7090 Foundation Chair sandichard@gmail.com

Collaboration Grants



Food4kids Collaborative Grant

In 2022-23 the district grants allowed clubs to have collaborative grants Two collaborative grants were established this past year The Food4Kids was also our first grant that the Rotaract (with shout out to RC Fonthill for their support) were able to be involved with the new directive from Rotary International A great program with many rotary clubs working together for one cause. Not all clubs have to give the same amount. Some clubs gave \$500 others the maximum \$2000. This was a great project where clubs were involved in packing as well as community involvement at arenas and grocery stores collecting from the public. Thank you RC St. Catharines, Terry McDougall for taking the lead!



Niagara-on-the-Lake Rotary Club



Rotary Club of St Catharines Lakeshore Rotary



Rotary

Club of Fonthill













DG235 Athletic Field and Equipment Improvements

Not to late to apply for a district grant for 2023-24

Log into d7090.org>member area>my club grants>submit a grant request for more information please contact LezlieMurch@gmail.com



District Scholarships

Please see the district website for details

extended until April 30

Contact: scholarships@d7090.org

A FOUNDATION MOMENT

An effective practice to keep fellow members informed and engaged is to share short Foundation infomercials at your meeting. **To have someone from the Foundation Committee attend** your club please contact us



The charitable arm of Rotary

The Rotary Foundation is the engine that transforms and supports projects that change lives in our local communities and around the world.

WHAT IS A GLOBAL GRANT FOR VOCATIONAL TRAINING?

Vocational training teams are groups of professionals who travel to another country, either to learn more about their profession or to teach local professionals more about it.

The Rotary Foundation funds some vocational training teams in our areas of focus through global grants. Traditionally our District 7090 have done Vocational Training Teams (VTT) as a district grant however global grants are a great way to have a bigger impact. The training is often carried out in conjunction with a humanitarian project.

A team should include at least three people. The team leader needs to be a Rotary member, while the other participants can be members or nonmembers who have experience in the area of focus.

Rotary previously had a program called Group Study Exchange, which promoted international understanding and offered person-to-person opportunities for participants to learn how their vocation was practiced in other countries. It was phased out when we updated our grant model and placed this activity within global grants.

WHAT IS A GLOBAL GRANT SCHOLARSHIP?

Through Rotary Foundation global grants, members can support future leaders whose career goals align with fields related to our areas of focus. These scholarships are awarded for at least US\$30,000 and can fund graduate-level coursework or research for one to four academic years.

A key feature of global grants is the partnership between the district or club where the person will study and the district or club in their home country. When they return home, scholarship recipients are expected to talk with Rotary members and others about how their experiences led to a greater understanding of their host country and how they'll continue to support our areas of focus and spread goodwill and understanding.

RC Buffalo Sunrise sponsored a scholar currently studying in Cambridge in the area of focus of Peace and Conflict Resolution!

RC St. Catharines is looking for support from District 7090 clubs to sponsor a scholar from the Philippines doing a PHD at Brock University, St. Catharines, in the area of focus of Protecting the Environment - Environmental Sustainability for coral reefs. We are trying to raise \$15,000USD. If your club would like to help fund this project contact: President Rick Evans: jrevans@sympatico.ca

Do you know any students that you'd like to nominate for a scholarship?



POLIO FACTS

- Polio mainly affects children under 5.
- There is no cure, but polio is preventable with a vaccine.
 - Only two countries remain endemic
 - We have reduced cases 99.9 per cent since 1988.
 - Until we end polio forever, every child is at risk.

Clubs in our District as of April 3 2023 that have given \$1500 US

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April 3. 2023				
District	Club	\$	1,500.00	
7090	Ancaster AM, On	\$	16,344.45	
	Grimsby, On	\$	8,263.83	
	Niagara-on-the-lake, On	\$	6,576.28	
	Batavia, NY	\$	4,287.50	
	Brantford, On	\$	4,141.45	
	Niagara Falls, On	\$	2,799.48	
	Lockport, NY	\$	2,727.52	
	Norfolk Sunrise, On	\$	2,495.81	
	St Catharines-lakeshore,	\$	2,336.19	
	Welland, On	\$	2,263.32	
	Dundas Valley Sunrise, O	\$	2,256.67	
	Lincoln, On	\$	2,075.57	
	Dunnville,, On	\$	2,074.09	
	East Aurora, NY	\$	2,000.00	
	Hamilton "AM" On	\$	1,932.56	
	Brantford-Sunrise, On	\$	1,801.81	
	Hamburg, NY	\$	1,750.00	
	St Catharines, On	\$	1,703.34	
	Delhi, On	\$	1,626.62	
20	Fort Erie, On	\$	1,533.49	
DDF		\$	11,000.00	Thank You
Close	Niagara Falls Sunrise, On	\$	1,468.32	

Where are we today? 1 case of Wild Polio Virus for 2023

The last case in Afghanistan was reported in August 2022

The last case in Pakistan was reported in February 2023 but they went 6 months with no cases



OUR BEST CHANCE TO ERADICATE POLIO IS NOW!



Foundation recognition points are awarded to donors who contribute to The Rotary Foundation through the Annual Fund, the PolioPlus Fund, or an approved global grant. Donors receive one Foundation recognition point for every U.S. dollar contributed to these funds.

Contributions to the Endowment are not eligible for recognition points.

Donors can extend Foundation recognition points to other individuals to help them become, or to name them as, a Paul Harris Fellow or Multiple Paul Harris Fellow. Foundation recognition points belong to the original donor until the donor uses the points or until the donor's death, at which time they expire (unless the donor is a Major Donor, in which case their points may be used by their surviving spouse or partner).

Foundation recognition points do not count toward Paul Harris Society and Major Donor recognition. A minimum of 100 Foundation recognition points must be transferred at a time, and an authorizing signature is required when you complete the Paul Harris Fellow Recognition Transfer Request Form.

Foundation recognition points may not be transferred from individuals to a club or district. Donors no longer need to be a Paul Harris Fellow to receive recognition points.

Download the factsheet on recognition points https://my-cms.rotary.org/.../foundation-recognition...

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Assessing the strengths, weaknesses, needs, and assets of the community you're helping is an essential first step in planning an effective project. Not only do assessments lead to projects that have the most meaningful impact, but the process itself also builds valuable relationships, involves residents in decisions that will shape their communities, and encourages them to participate in making lasting improvements. Most important, projects that are informed by community assessments are more sustainable.

Global grants require both a host partner and an international partner. The host partner, because of its local expertise and proximity to the project location, usually conducts the mandatory community needs assessment and manages project implementation and expenses.

Through the assessment, you'll collect information about resources as well as needs, whether and how issues are being addressed, and what actions will most likely improve the community. Keep these general assessment principles in mind: • Talk to everyone. Gather perspectives from a broad cross-section of the community, involving those who will plan, participate in, and benefit from the project. • Trust local knowledge. • Identify needs that community members are passionate about tackling. • Use available human assets.

Financial resources available for any project will be limited. Ask all those involved how they can contribute to improving their community. All participants can and should provide valuable contributions to the effort. • Think long term. Involve community members in identifying long-term goals for maintaining the project outcomes on their own after the grant funds are spent. • If the assessment identifies multiple needs, consider which issue or need community members are most passionate about and how your club can help them address it. • Determine which need your club is best able to meet through a Foundation grant and available club resources. • Consider factors such as Rotarian technical expertise, location of the project site, required time commitment, and financial resources.

You can combine or adapt the following six assessments to best suit your club's resources and the preferences of community members: Community meeting; Asset inventory; Survey; Interview; Focus group; and Community mapping.

A thoroughly conducted Community Needs Assessment will help improve the likelihood of the project being sustainable. The community has input into the project identification process to meet their needs. It will be a project that they want and are more willing to support long term after implementation. Remember in the assessment process – it is not what you think the community needs; it is what the community thinks they need.

The Rotary Foundation – the Engine that runs Rotary!

WAYS TO GIVE TO THE ROTARY FOUNDATION

Your donation changes lives! and this information bears repeating...

There are numerous ways to support The Rotary Foundation.

Every amount contributed to The Rotary Foundation is spent in support of humanitarian, educational, and cultural programs and their operations. Clubs and districts apply for and receive Foundation grants to carry out worthy projects worldwide.

Here are a few of the ways that your contribution can make a difference:

-\$50.00 can provide clean water to help prevent waterborne illness

- \$100 can buy textbooks for one elementary school in Zambia
- -\$500 can launch an anti-bullying campaign and create a safe enviroment for children
- \$5,000 can buy vaccine to immunize 10,000 children against polio
- \$24,000 can buy an academic-year Rotary Foundation Ambassadorial Scholarship

• \$100,000 can buy funding for two to complete a two-year graduate program for a Rotary World Peace Fellow

Donate Online

When you donate online, you get to choose where your donations go. Support thousands of service projects our people of action are tackling around the world. Outright gifts can be made easily with The Rotary Foundation online contribution form.

This method expedites processing your tax receipt and Paul Harris Fellow recognition points. For online donations please visit https://www.rotary.org/en/donate.

• **Memorial or Tribute Donations**: A gift to The Rotary Foundation is a meaningful way to honour a loved one.

• Recurring Donations: Rotary Direct allows you to help year-round by automatically giving each month, quarter, or year

The Fund

Was established in 2023 to recognized past and present Rotarians. It is registered with The Foundation Foundation. It is open for further contributions, along with planned gifts and bequest designations

What is the advantage of an endowed gift to my district and club? A gift to Endowment-SHARE allows your Rotary district to direct a portion of the spending along with a portion going to the World Fund to enable both your global and district grant projects each year. Through the Best of Friends Heritage Named Endowed fund, we can continue to honor our past and current leadership in how we serve others.



Instructions for contributing to the BOFHEF (Best of Friends Heritage Endowed Fund). This is a named endowment held by the Rotary Foundation and with support to SHARE 7090. It was established in 2022 to recognize and pay tribute to District leadership past, present and future.

In addition to accepting outright contributions, you may elect to direct a planned gift in your will, life insurance beneficiary or residual retirement assets to this specific endowment. Please contact your District Foundation Chair for more information on how to do this.

How to donate to this Endowment today:

You may call in a credit card contribution to the Rotary Support center at 1-866-876-8279 You may mail in a contribution using the global contribution form. Instructions for mailing are at the bottom of the form, based on where you live. https://my-cms.rotary.org/en/document/contribution-form-rotary-foundation There is NO online option for contributing to this endowment currently.

It is very important that you provide the following information with your contribution:

Your Rotary ID number _____ **The Gift ID number for this specific Endowment. Gift ID: E20602** Indicate your donor country (US or CAD) for correct receipting

District 7090 Rotary Foundation Committee Members 2022-2023 District Rotary Foundation Chair - Sandi Chard Past Rotary Foundation - Pat Castigilia

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Stewardship Chair - Paul Saskowksi

Grants Chair - Lezlie Murch

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District Governor: Lisa Bishop District Governor Elect: Scott Marcin District Governor-Nominee: David Alexander

District Grants Review Committee:

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If you are interested in joining a committee, contact Sandi