

Rotary District 7090 Rotary Foundation Newsletter



Anytime: Qualify for Global Grants online

Book a Club talk on Foundation

July 1-Goals set for Foundation not too late!!

On going-qualify for district and global grants online

January 23 7:10-8:30 foundation Scholarship seminar zoom



Every Rotarian Every Year Clubs for 2023-24
Rotary Clubs of Amherst, Clarence, Flamborough
Fonthill, Hamilton After Five, Hamilton-Stoney Creek
LeRoy, St. Catharines Lakeshore, Welland

June 10- deadline for global scholarship applications to RI for September starting or 3 months prior to courses

June 30 -money to Foundation for year 2024-25 must be postmarked today and arrive by July 5

September 13 2025 - Participate for Polio



Rotary District 7090 Foundation Scholarships

3-SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE

Apply thru your local Rotary Club
This year there are three scholarships to give deserving high school graduating students.
Three - \$1200.00 USD awards

Full information on www.rotary7090.org follow the foundation tab or see the QR code

Deadline April 18 2025

D7090 Foundation Happenings



DRFC Lisa visiting Satellite Club
Rotary Club of Dundas Valley Sunrise

Wishes for Joyous Holiday Season to All!

A time to reflect, be thankful and spend time to rejuvenate.

★ Thank-you to all the clubs and individual members who have already made a contribution/commitment to TRF. Clubs are encouraged to make their commitments and submit.

★ Lots of bookings have been made for Foundation Talks on Foundation Basics, Rotary Direct/online giving, Fundraising and more. Please contact me to book a speaker for you Club or Area. You could also invite community partners.

★ Thank you to Past DRFC Sandi Chard, for serving as Foundation Newsletter Editor and creating stellar newsletters, full of resources. THANK-YOU! Technical issue at my end resulted in a late launch this month.

★ Thank-you to the entire D7090 Foundation Committee and Club Foundations Chairs & Champions for your commitment to bring action and results from our donations to TRF. Your stewardship & dedication is greatly appreciated.

HAPPY NEW YEAR 2025



Why Choose the Rotary Foundation?

- Its our money being returned to us.

Rating Report

Impact & Measurement **Accountability & Finance** Culture & Community Leadership & Adaptability

Accountability & Finance

Score
100

Most Recent Fiscal Year:
FY 2023

This beacon provides an assessment of a charity's financial health (financial efficiency, sustainability, and trustworthiness) and its commitment to governance practices and policies.

[Learn more](#)

Key Accountability Metrics

Full Credit Partial Credit No Credit

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| Majority Independent Board Members - 100% Independent members | 6 out of 6 points + |
| Independent Board Size - 15 Independent members | 6 out of 6 points + |
| Financial Statements - Audit and Oversight Committee | 12 out of 12 points + |
| Material Diversion of Assets - None | 12 out of 12 points + |

Tax Form Disclosures and Policies

Full Credit Partial Credit No Credit

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| Website Listed on Tax Form - Listed | 3 out of 3 points + |
| Conflict of Interest Policy - Listed | 5 out of 5 points + |
| Whistleblower Policy - Listed | 5 out of 5 points + |
| Document Retention and Destruction - Listed | 5 out of 5 points + |
| Documents Board Meeting Minutes - Yes | 3 out of 3 points + |
| Compensates Board - No | 5 out of 5 points + |
| Tax Form Distributed to Board Before Filing - Listed | 3 out of 3 points + |
| Loans to/from Officers - None | 5 out of 5 points + |
| Reports CEO and Compensation on Tax Form - Listed | 5 out of 5 points + |
| CEO Compensation Process - Listed | 5 out of 5 points + |

Website Disclosures

Full Credit Partial Credit No Credit

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| Tax Form Posted on Nonprofit's Website as stated on Form 990 - Listed | 5 out of 5 points + |
| Audit Posted on Nonprofit's Website - Listed | 5 out of 5 points + |
| Staff Members Listed on Nonprofit's Website - Listed | 3 out of 3 points + |
| Board Members Posted on Nonprofit's Website - Listed | 5 out of 5 points + |
| Donor Privacy Policy Posted on Nonprofit's Website - Listed | 2 out of 2 points + |

Financial Metrics

Full Credit Partial Credit No Credit

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|--------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Liabilities to Assets: Ratio - 8.05% | 25 out of 25 points + |
| Program Expense: Ratio - 88.47% | 25 out of 25 points + |

RI FOUNDATION MISSION STATEMENT

THE MISSION OF THE ROTARY FOUNDATION OF ROTARY INTERNATIONAL 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.





Rotary Clubs giving \$1500 or more to End Polio

Rotary Clubs of Ancaster, Batavia, Brantford, Brantford-Sunrise, BuffaloDundas Valley Sunrise, East Aurora, Hamburg, Hamilton AM, Kenmore, Lincoln, Lockport, Niagara Falls, NOTL, Norfolk Sunrise, Orchard Park, Simcoe, St. Catharines-Lakeshore, St. Catharines, Welland

Foundation Celebration Awards 2024-25



Top per Capita Rank for Annual Fund
1st Niagara Falls, Canada - \$850.38
2nd Ancaster AM \$294.83
3rd Flamborough AM \$290.45

Thank you to Rotary Clubs of Amherst,
Clarence, Flamborough Fonthill,
Hamilton After 5, Hamilton Stoney Creek
LeRoy, Lewiston-NOTL,
Norfolk Sunrise, Simcoe
St. Catharines Lakeshore,, Welland



Value as of
13 November 2024, is
\$50,652

Please consider giving to the
endowment fund. Please see the
website for details



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REQUIREMENTS:

1. Applicant must be within the boundaries of District 7090 at application and in final year of high school education with a commitment for full time, post-secondary (college, university, community college) education.
2. A resume of community service and/or volunteer activities completed, plus a 100-word paragraph about the impact these experiences have had on you.
3. An essay of 750 words describing: why you chose your career/education path, and what community service/volunteer activities you plan to participate in.
4. Optional: letter of reference from any community member (not a family member)

please see your local Rotary Club for full details



Applications Now Open

**SUBMIT YOUR
REGISTRATION
TO
YOUR LOCAL ROTARY CLUB**

Carol DeNysschen
Rotary District 7090
District Scholarships Chair
Email: scholarships@d7090.org

HATS OFF TO GENEROUS D7090 ROTARIANS!!!

We ask that all Rotarian contribute at least \$100 a year to
The Rotary Foundation.
The easiest way is through Rotary Direct.



Thank you Blaine Field for joining the Paul Harris Society. At a recent event at the Rotary Club of Brantford Sunrise Blaine was given his certificate from District Chair of PHS Paul Lehman



7090 District Governor, David Alexander, presents, Phil Race from the Rotary Club of Brantford Sunrise with his Major Donor recognition.



Paul Harris Fellow '24 - Foundation Support

One of the three ways that a Paul Harris Fellowship may be awarded is for an individual to make a substantial personal financial contribution(s) to the Rotary Foundation.

As a result, in 2024 the Rotary Foundation has once again recognized Nancy Sherwin with a Paul Harris Fellowship for her ongoing donations to the Foundation.

The recognition pin was introduced by Co-President Mary Mercato and presented by visiting D7090 Governor David Alexander at our routine morning meeting on 19 November. Joining Nancy, David and Mary in the photo is Co-President Ross Gowan.

A FOUNDATION MOMENT

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



HOW DOES THE ROTARY FOUNDATION RECOGNIZE ROTARY CLUBS?

Donations to the Foundation are essential to securing and expanding our programs throughout the world. We recognize with gratitude clubs that make extraordinary contributions.

- **100% Paul Harris Fellow Club:** These are clubs in which all dues-paying members are Paul Harris Fellows. The club receives a banner. This is a one-time recognition, but the intent is that the club will maintain its status.
- **100% Foundation Giving Club:** This banner is given to clubs that have an average of US\$100 in per capita giving and in which every dues-paying member donates at least \$25 during the year to the Annual Fund, PolioPlus, the Endowment, or approved global grants.
- **Every Rotarian, Every Year Club:** This banner is awarded to clubs that have a minimum Annual Fund contribution of \$100 per capita during the year and in which every dues-paying member personally contributes at least \$25 to the Annual Fund in that time period.
- **Top Three Per Capita in Annual Fund Giving:** These banners are presented each year to the three clubs in each district with the highest per capita Annual Fund giving.
- **100% Paul Harris Society Club:** This banner is awarded to clubs in which every dues-paying member contributes at least \$1,000 during the year to the Annual Fund, PolioPlus, or an approved global grant.
- **100% Rotary's Promise Club:** These are clubs in which every dues-paying member supports the Endowment with an outright gift of \$1,000 or more or a commitment of at least that amount in an estate plan. These clubs receive a certificate upon request.

Will you help our club be recognized by the Foundation this year?

[The Rotary Foundation](#)

CALENDAR YEAR 2024 DEADLINES

Thank you for completing your year-end gift as soon as possible. Doing so will result in faster processing, better customer service and will avoid any last-minute complications.

CHECKS

Both the postmark on the envelope and the date written on the check must be no later than Tuesday, 31 December 2024, and processed by the bank no later than Tuesday, 7 January 2025. Check with your local post office for the last day they postmark mail in 2024.

UNITED STATES

The Rotary Foundation

14280 Collections Center Drive

Chicago, IL 60693, USA

CANADA (CAD) CANADA (USD)

The Rotary Foundation (Canada)

c/o 911600

PO Box 4090 STN A

Toronto, ON M5W 0E9

CREDIT CARD

ONLINE VIA ROTARY.ORG

Must be authorized on or prior to midnight on 31 December 2024 Central Standard Time.

For security purposes, please do not send credit card contributions electronically or via email.

WIRE TRANSFERS

Wire transfers must be initiated prior to Monday, 30 December 2024 by 5pm CST and received by Thursday, 2 January 2025.

SECURITIES

Stock, mutual funds or other gifts of securities must be received prior to Tuesday, 31 December 2024.

LIFE INCOME AGREEMENTS & DONOR ADVISED FUND GIFTS

The same deadlines for checks and securities apply. Please contact [planned giving at plannedgiving@rotary.org](mailto:plannedgiving@rotary.org) for transfer instructions.

RESOURCES:

The Rotary Foundation Contribution Form

Rotary Support Center

Email: RotarySupportCenter@rotary.org

Phone: +1 (866)-9ROTARY (+1-866-976-8279)

Hours (CST)

23 December: 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

24-25 December: closed

26-27 December: 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

28-29 December: closed

30-31 December: 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.



New course in Learning Center - The Importance of Eradicating Polio

Course description. Eradicating polio is Rotary's top humanitarian priority. Since Rotary and our partners formed the Global Polio Eradication Initiative in 1988, the incidence of wild polio cases has decreased by 99.9%. But polio anywhere in the world puts children everywhere at risk. Learn about why it's so important that we maintain our efforts to end polio and how you can take action.

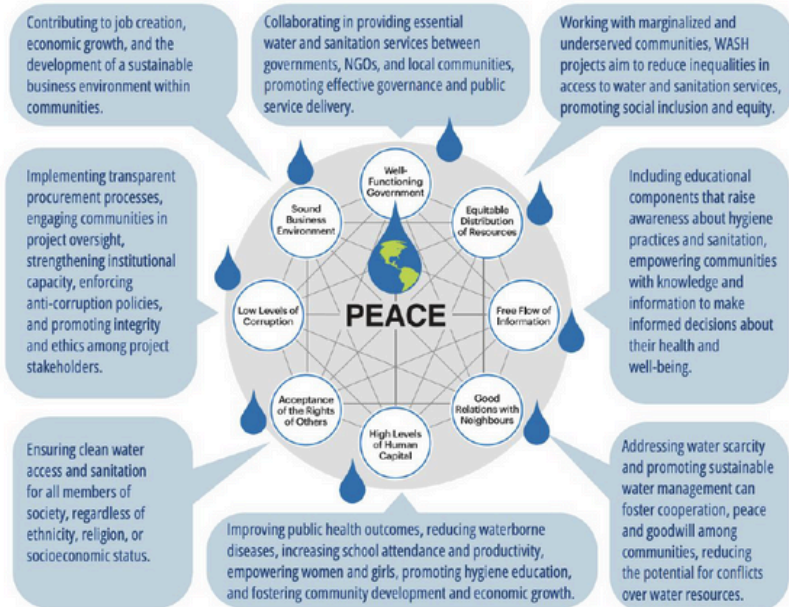
Global Grants

Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene (WASH) and the Pillars of Positive Peace

WHAT SHOULD A PEACE GLOBAL GRANT APPLICATION INCLUDE?

1. Free Flow of Information
2. Equitable Distribution of Resources
3. Acceptance of the Rights of Others
4. Good Relations with Neighbours
5. Well Functioning Government
6. Sound Business Environment
7. High Levels of Human Capital
8. Low Levels of Corruption

See article by RAGFP Past Chair, RAGFP Technical Advisor and RI Cadre Alison Sutherland



From our Key Note speaker at the Foundation Celebration

Find a Partner and Obtain Project Funding

Our members often ask, "Where can I find an International Partner?" and "How do I get other clubs to support my Project?"

This fall, we released our [WASH Project Portal](#), where you can submit your Global Grant information. The process to submit your project is easy and straightforward. You can also submit your Global Grant, Community Assessment, and any additional information (e.g. photos, promotional pamphlets, etc.)



Renovate Water and Sanitation Facilities in Schools



[WASH Project Portal . . .](#)

Paul Harris Fellows



Paul Harris Fellows from the Rotary Club of Brantford Sunrise evening presentation (centre to right) Bill Brown, Loretta Madison, Kim Neziol, Heather Harrow and Dev Lall, shown with their proposers (centre to left) Susan Brown, Reg Madison, Bernard Neziol, Bill Harrow and Phil Race.



Past President Amber Rotary Club of Waterdown



Paul Harris Fellows from Rotary Club of Waterdown (Left to right) Joseph Vandenhurk, Amber Kosubovich, Donna Czukar, Jennifer Valeri and Rick Ludwig .

“We all do what we can,” noted Paul Harris recipient Donna Czukar, who was recognized for her volunteer efforts at various Rotary events and for her work as chair of the Flamborough Connects board, and many other roles. “I remember my father saying, ‘He does what he can, she does what she can.’ I do what I can.”

Paul Harris Fellows



Rotary Club of Lockport

Recognized, were (left to right) Donna Barton - community volunteer, Vicki Smith - Rotarian, Kathy Ganz - Rotarian, Al Fiedler - community volunteer, John Sinclair - community volunteer, and the Grigg- Lewis Foundation represented by Dan Wilson.



What a wonderful evening of celebration and community, food and fun, together at the Dundas Golf and Curling Club we celebrated our newest Paul Harris Fellows!

Rotary Club of Ancaster I.

Honoured this year to award Susan Nicholson, Jennifer Ayres, Barb Raphael and Mark John.

It's *GO Time* Folks!

DISTRICT GRANT FUNDS AVAILABLE

Get Ready: Qualify your Club

TWO members from your club complete any Foundation on line course
from the rotary.org learning center

Your Club's Foundation Chair is named in "myrotary"

Input your Club's Foundation and Polio goals in "myrotary"

Your Club's Dues are in good standing

Submit the MOU signed by your Club President, President Elect and Treasurer

Get Set: Select a project

Meet with your fellow Rotarians and determine an area of need in your community.

The project should fulfill a humanitarian need and be small scale in nature.

D7090 will match your project funding with up to \$2,000USD.

For larger projects consider joining up with another club and do a collaborative grant.

GO: Submit a grant application

Go to d7090.org>login>member area>submit a grant request

Complete the description box with a brief description of your project.

Add 3 Rotary contact names and emails in the description box.

Ensure to choose YOUR name as all correspondence will go to you.

Your budget should include the matching funds provided by the district. Select submit.

Once your proposal is reviewed you will receive a message to complete the full application.

From there you will work with a reviewer in order to ensure your project is approved.

THE FINISH LINE

Complete your project during the Rotary year 2025/26

Don't hesitate to contact your reviewer or Grants Chair if you need assistance.

Complete the final report in the module: "Individual Project Report"

Take lots of pictures along the way, include your community and club members.

Talk your walk and celebrate the good work of The Rotary Foundation as
everyone becomes a **CHAMPION!**

The secret to a flourishing club

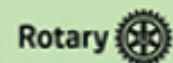
One thing successful clubs have in common is effective goal setting. When club leaders plan for the future, they give the club a sense of direction. Whether you aim to welcome more members, complete more service projects, or improve the experience your club offers members, setting goals motivates members to work toward a common purpose. Rotary Club Central makes it easy for Rotary and Rotaract clubs to plan and track their goals. Club leaders can now set yearly goals for up to three years and record the club's accomplishments, and all members can view the club's progress. Plus, future leaders can use past goals to make informed decisions about the club's direction. It's never too late to start planning for your club's future. Visit Rotary Club Central and get started.

Learning Center Highlights

For Rotary Foundation Month, this November, use the courses below to facilitate discussions on the impact of service projects and how participation in Foundation grants and giving leads to positive change locally and globally.



LEARN and LEAD with the
ROTARY LEARNING CENTER
Courses are included in your membership!



2024-25 District 7090 Rotary Foundation Committee

Note: Many Committee members make great speakers at your club

District Foundation Chair (2024-2027) - PDG Lisa Bishop

Past Rotary Foundation Chair - Sandi Chard

Fundraising Chair - PDG Frank Adamson

Annual Fund - Annie Holtby
Paul Harris Society - Paul Lehman
Endowment Fund - Wolfgang Lindemann

Polio Plus Chair - Bill French

Stewardship Chair - Paul Saskowski

committee: Michael Harrington
Sandi Chard

Grants Chair - Lezlie Murch

Subcommittee:

Global Grants Chair- Lezlie Murch District
International Service Committee: Brad Wood
Global Vocational Training Team - Dan Smith
District Scholarships - Carol DeNysschen
Ontario Cluster Fund - Dave Berry
New York Cluster Fund-TBA

District Governor: David Alexander

District Governor Elect: Aaron Carlson

Governor-Nominee: Joanne Serkyn

District Grants Review Committee:

John Boronkay, RC Orchard Park
Margaret Andrewes, RC Lincoln
Don Lawrence, RC Amherst
Jim Ellison, RC LeRoy
Cameron Johnston, RC Brantford Sunrise
Lezlie Murch, RC St. Catharines
Ken Schander, RC Niagara on the Lake
John Teibert, RC St. Catharines South
Glen Christenson -Brantford Sunrise

Peace Scholarships Chair Bob Munroe

Lisa Bishop at delhipeople@sympatico.ca

Bold is Voting Members of Foundation Committee