

In association with World Polio Awareness Days, (Oct. 22 is Post Polio Syndrome Day and Oct 24 is World Polio Day), Rotary clubs in District 6650 are hosting a fundraising event for End Polio Now.

For every \$20 donated, you will receive a dozen Purple Pinkie Donuts - a glazed donut stick, topped with a dab of purple icing. Each \$20 box will provide \$9 towards the cost of vaccines to help eradicate polio

Success of the program is driven by Rotarians. The Purple Pinkie Donut Project has earned more than \$4.7 million in donations to End Polio Now around the U.S.

In countries where the threat of polio remains high, every child under five years receives polio vaccine by mouth twice a year during the events called "National Immunization Days."

When vaccinating millions of children in a very short period of time it is impossible to document which child has received the vaccine, so every child vaccinated has the little finger (pinkie) nail of their left hand painted with an indelible purple marker.

Local communities recognize that children with "purple pinkies" will never get polio which is cause for great celebration.

Over time the "Purple Pinkie" has become an international symbol of a polio free world.



## **How Can You Help to End Polio Now?**

Register for your club's boxes of PURPLE PINKIE DONUTS by emailing, shellylaberto@gmail.com

For every \$20 donation, you will receive a dozen purple pinkie donuts and many children will be vaccinated.

## **Place An Order**

- **1.** Share the information on the project with your Club and select a Pinkie Chair to enthusiastically encourage participation.
- 2. Pinkie Chair gathers all Club orders and places order via email to SHELLYLABERTO@GMAIL.COM AND pays for the TOTAL order by check, made out to *Rotary District 6650*, and mailing it by **October 14** to:

AG Shelly LaBerto Treasurer, Purple Pinkie Project 2025 891 Mayfield Drive, Boardman, OH 44512

- **3.** Pick up the donuts during the week of October 20 25, at your Club's designated location (to be announced later).
- **4.** Take the donuts home and enjoy them. Or consider donating them to a hospital, fire station, police station, daycare, nursing home, school, or your own business... you get the idea. After Tennesse did this, people ended up joining Rotary!
- 5. Bask in the satisfaction of knowing you are a part of THE MAGIC of ROTARY!



## **DONATE WITHOUT DONUTS**

Want to donate, but do not want the calories?

Your Club or its members can donate by mailing a check (made out to ROTARY DISTRICT 6650) to the above address. On your personal donation check's memo line, include the name of your club and the words: DONATION ONLY.