



END
POLIO
NOW













The Facts

1. Polio mainly affects children under age 5.
2. There is no cure, but polio is preventable with a vaccine.
3. Only three countries remain endemic
4. We've reduced cases by 99.9% since 1988



Rotary's Historical Commitment

Not long ago, the world was paralyzed by the fear of polio. More than 125 polio endemic countries. The disease killed or crippled more than 1,000 people a day, most of them children.

In 1985, Rotary launched PolioPlus, a multimillion dollar initiative to immunize all the world's children.

Rotary's commitment was so great that the World Health Assembly resolved in 1988 to wipe out the disease that had killed and paralyzed for 5,000 years.

Rotary has been able to contribute over \$1.7 billion to keep alive the dream of a polio free world. Rotary has also solicited financial support from donor governments/organizations resulting in over \$15 billion in contributions

Polio remains endemic in only three countries: Afghanistan, Nigeria and Pakistan





"As long as polio exists anywhere, it's a threat to children everywhere."

Reported Case Count

Afghanistan

2014: 28

2015: 20

2016: 13

2017: 14

YTD: 19

Pakistan

2014: 306

2015: 54

2016: 20

2017: 8

YTD: 8

Nigeria

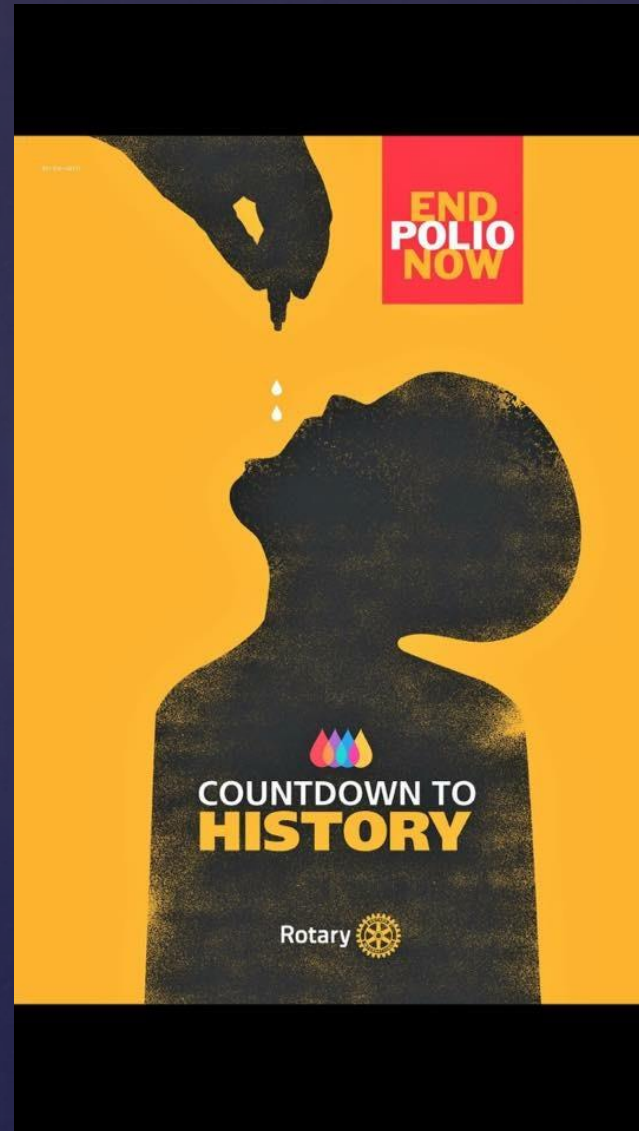
2014: 6

2015: 0

2016: 4

2017: 0

YTD: 0



Five things you may not know about the fight to end polio:

1. Ice cream factories in Syria are helping by freezing the ice packs that health workers use to keep the polio vaccine cold during immunization campaigns.
2. Celebrities have become ambassadors in our fight to end the disease. Some of those celebrities include WWE wrestling superstar John Cena, Anna from Frozen Kristen Bell, golf legend Jack Nicklaus, Nobel Peace Prize winner Desmond Tutu and of course, Bill Gates.
3. Health workers and Rotary volunteers have climbed mountains, crossed deserts, and sailed to remote islands, risking their lives to vaccinate children. Rotary has funded more than 1,500 motorbikes and 6,700 other vehicles, as well as 17 boats to make those journeys. Vaccinators have even traveled on the backs of elephants, donkeys and camels to immunize children in remote areas.



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4. In Pakistan, the polio program emphasizes hiring local female vaccinators and monitors. More than 21,000 vaccinators, 83 percent of whom are women, are achieving the highest immunization coverage in the country's history.
5. Thanks to the efforts of Rotary and its partners, more than 16 million people who otherwise might have been paralyzed are walking today. In all, more than 2.5 billion children have been vaccinated since 1988.



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MAKE HISTORY TODAY

From 2013 to 2018, every US\$1 Rotary commits to WHO and UNICEF in direct support for polio immunization will be **tripled** (up to US\$35 million per year) by the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation.

**YOUR
DONATION**

US\$25



**BILL & MELINDA
GATES FOUNDATION**

US\$50

**TOTAL
CONTRIBUTION**

US\$75

150

**VESTS FOR
VOLUNTEERS**



75

**VACCINE
CARRIERS**



600

**PURPLE FINGER
MARKERS**



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World Polio Day
&
Purple Pinkie Project













OCTOBER 24, 2017 STRIKE OUT POLIO



With Ellsworth Noontime Rotary and
Eastward Family Fun Center

Team Captain:

Phone:

Address:

City/Zip:

Email:

Team Members:

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Return registration with a check made payable to Ellsworth Noontime Rotary to Leann Beal,
93 High Street, Ellsworth, ME 04605 by 10/20/2017

\$100 per team
(up to 5 people)

Includes 1 game
and shoe rental

4:30pm – 7:30pm

Family friendly event
with activities for
participant's
children

Highest scoring
team will be
recognized
*(Do not need to be
present to win)*

Great food & drink
specials and MORE!

EASTWARD FAMILY FUN
CENTER

#25 Eastward Lane
Ellsworth, ME 04605

www.eastwardfamilyfuncenter.com

For more information
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The Auburn-Lewiston Rotary Breakfast Club
and the
Lewiston-Auburn Rotary Lunch Club
are teaming up for a

Pints for Polio Night

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 24

At Gritty's Pub in Auburn

as part of the World Polio week activities

GRITTY'S WILL BE DONATING
50 CENTS FOR EVERY PINT SOLD
DURING THE EVENT

50/50 TICKETS & AUCTION
ITEMS TO BENEFIT POLIO PLUS

DOOR PRIZE DONATIONS
WELCOMED!

For more information contact:
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L-A ROTARY CLUB PRESIDENT

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We are looking forward to this event!
Come join us and help us raise funds
to support the efforts to

End Polio Now!

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DATE:

Oct. 24

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5 - 8 PM

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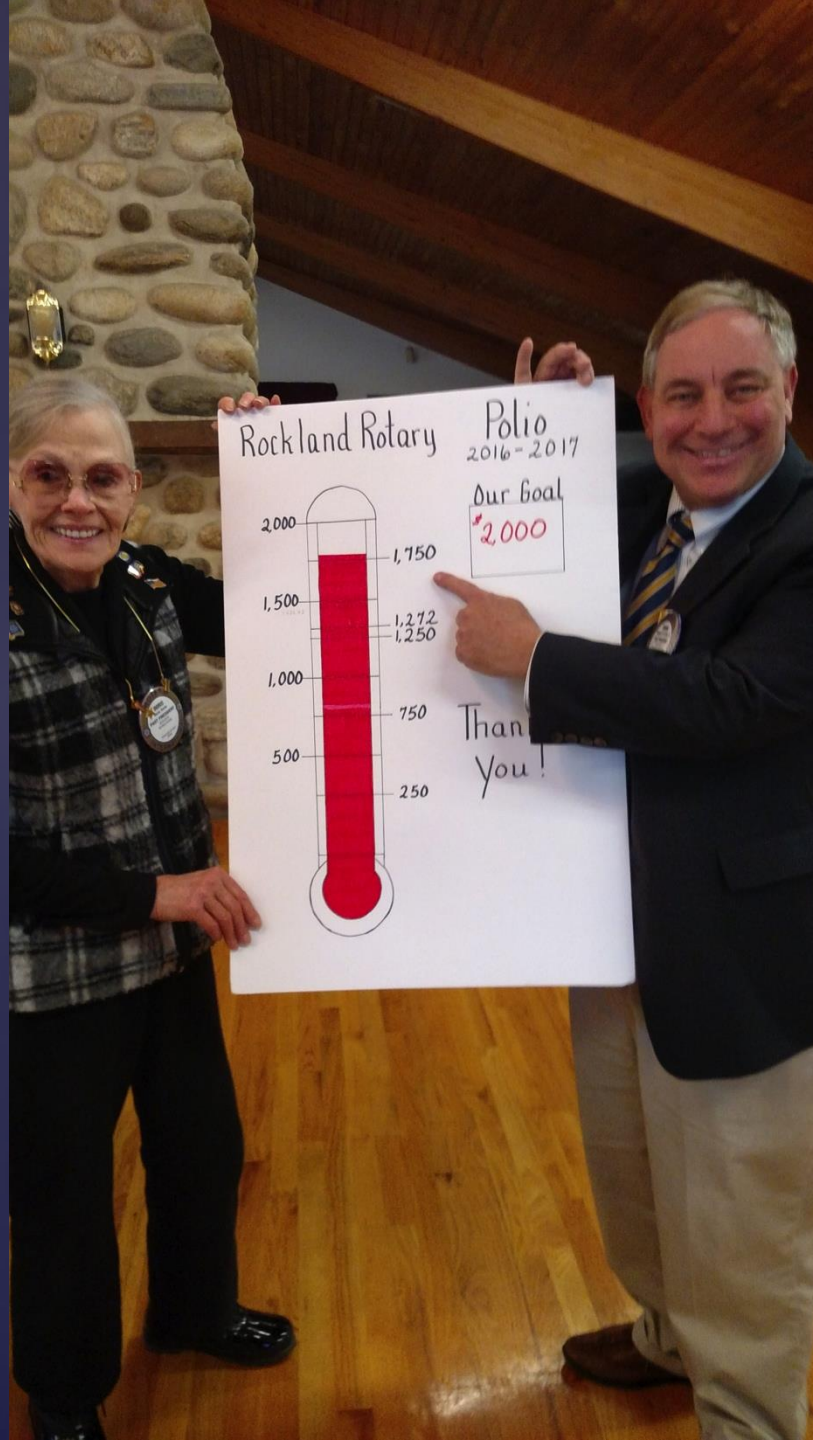
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BENEFIT:

**Polio
Plus**

Rotary







99% is Not Good Enough.

Accepting a standard of 99% error-free performance would mean living with the following mistakes:



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newborns will be given to the wrong parents daily.



20,000

incorrect drug prescriptions will be written this year.



18,322

pieces of mail will be mishandled every hour.



114,500

mismatched pairs of shoes will be shipped a year.

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