

## District 5930 unites to help End Polio Now

We are seeking donations from individuals and organizations willing to rid the world of this destructive disease.

All donations will go to Rotary International Polio Plus for polio eradication and will be matched 2:1 by the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation turning every \$100 donation into \$300 to eliminate polio.

## 6 Key #s in the Fight to End Polio Now

### 3 countries where polio is still endemic

Fewer than 40 children were paralyzed by polio in 2016, the lowest number in history.

Today the virus is limited to a few areas in just three countries – Pakistan, Afghanistan, and Nigeria.

### 155: the number of countries involved in largest coordinated vaccine switch in history

There are three different strains of the poliovirus. Once a strain is eliminated (type 2 was officially eradicated in September 2015), we must match our vaccines to the remaining strains to protect children globally.

### \$60 billion: cost of disease epidemics per year

The eradication of polio will mean no child will ever be paralyzed by this debilitating disease again. We can make a lasting difference to global health overall, and significantly reduce the gap in the impact of infectious diseases between middle income and poorer countries.

### 20 million: the # of volunteers participating

Since the GPEI was launched in 1988, Rotary and other volunteers have raised funds, built awareness, advocated for their national governments to support polio eradication. Millions of health workers are also helping us reach children who have never been vaccinated.

### \$1.5 billion: the amount needed to eradicate polio

This may sound expensive, but, in the words of Dr. Jonas Salk, who invented the first effective polio vaccine, “which is more important, the human value of the dollar, or the dollar value of the human?”

In 2016, Rotary funded the work of 52,676 vaccinators and 2528 supervisors in Iraq to keep up strong immunization coverage.

### 4: the factor by which health savings exceed the cost of polio eradication

Every dollar spent on vaccinations in the US saves \$3 in direct healthcare costs and \$10 societally. A polio-free world will reap financial savings and reduce healthcare costs by up to \$50 billion through 2035.



International Fellowship of Motorcycling Rotarians

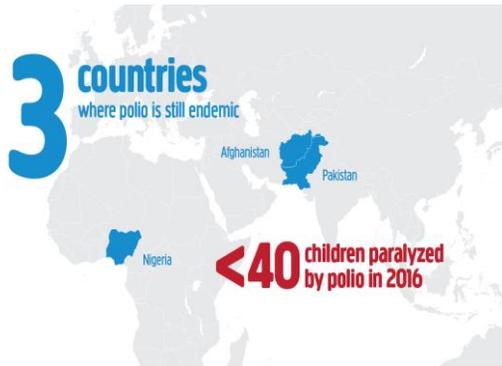
# Rotary Polio Moto

## D5930 Road Ride

Fundraiser & Fellowship  
Motorcycle Ride through Rotary  
District 5930 to end polio

March 25-26, 2017





## Join in On Fundraising

Every dollar counts and the dollars you contribute could be the dollars that finally help the Polio Plus program achieve its goal of complete eradication.

### All donations are a tax-deductible contribution.

Plus! Rotarians will receive credit for a Polio Plus donation, so please make a note of your Rotary club name as your donation dedication.

Make Check Payable to: RI Foundation FBO Polio Plus

To donate online, go to:



## The Ride.....

The plan is pass by or stop at many Rotary cities within District 5930. Rotarians and non-Rotarians can get involved by riding, donating, or hosting an event.

This motorcycle ride and fundraiser is part of something bigger than our South Texas District. This is a part of a global initiative to eliminate this crippling disease from the planet.

### Rotary Polio Moto Route

- Laredo -> Falfurrias 95
- Falfurrias -> Rio Grande City 85
- Rio Grande City -> McAllen 41
- McAllen -> Harlingen 36
- Harlingen -> Brownsville 28
- Brownsville -> Kingsville 120
- Kingsville -> Corpus Christi 45
- Day One Total 450 (March 25)
- Corpus Christi -> Rockport 34
- Rockport -> Port Lavaca 50
- Port Lavaca -> Ganado 36
- Ganado -> Edna 10
- Edna -> Victoria 28
- Victoria -> Beeville 55
- Beeville -> Alice 54
- Alice -> Freer 39
- Freer -> Laredo 63
- Day Two Total 369 (March 26)

### Total trip 819



## Other Ways You Can Help

Share our project with your friends, family, fellow Rotarians, and anyone you know with a humanitarian spirit willing to play a part in creating a world free from polio.

Any of your time and talents that you provide to help our efforts are greatly appreciated. We are so grateful for all the generous District 5930 Rotarians who have already reached out to us to commit their support.



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