



# DOING GOOD IN THE WORLD

## *From Foundation Walk to Grants*

**2026-27 D7070 Qualification Process**

*- For Rotarians and Rotaractors in D7070*

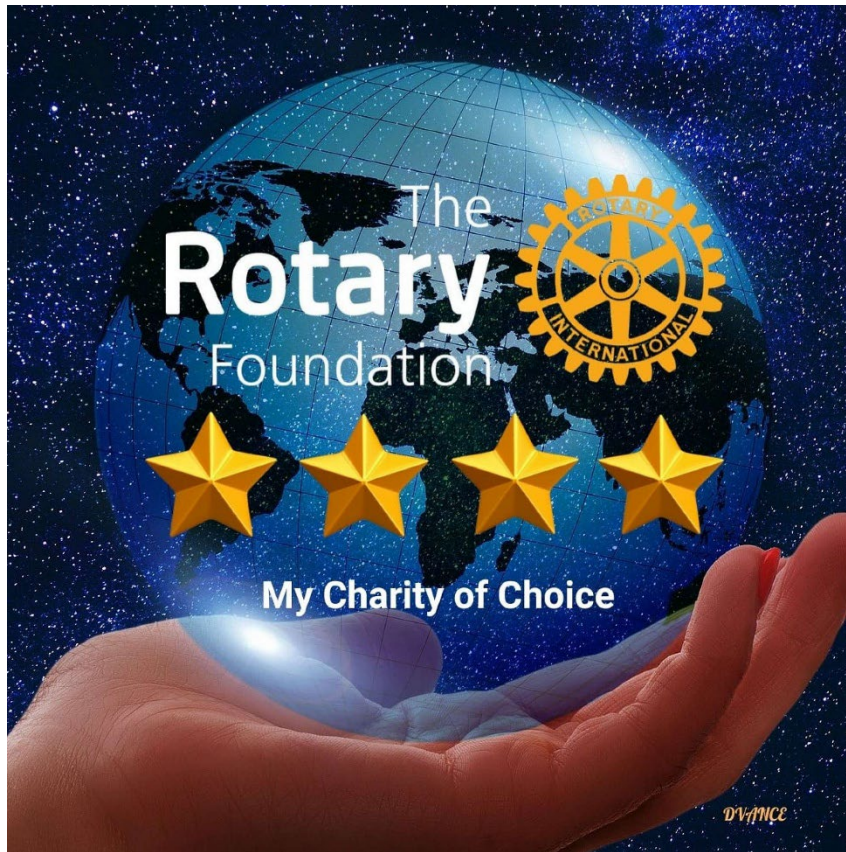
### **Module 1 – The Rotary Foundation**

Module 2 – Grants;  
Global, District & Others



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# THE ROTARY FOUNDATION'S MISSION



*The Rotary Foundation helps Rotary members to advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace by improving health, providing quality education, improving the environment, and alleviating poverty.*

# ROTARY'S FIRST PROJECT IN CHICAGO 1907



Rotary was founded for fellowship. But, soon the members of Club #1 saw the need for helping their community.

Their first project was to install a public comfort station in Chicago.

In 1907, the Rotary Club of Chicago convinced Chicago's City Council to allocate \$20,000 (> \$500,000 today) across the city for public comfort stations for women and men.



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# ROTARY & THE ROTARY FOUNDATION



**TOGETHER**, WE SEE A WORLD  
WHERE **PEOPLE** UNITE AND TAKE ACTION  
TO **CREATE** LASTING **CHANGE** ACROSS  
THE GLOBE, IN OUR COMMUNITIES ,  
AND IN OURSELVES

*Rotary Vision Statement*

**The Rotary Foundation is the perfect tool to fulfill Rotary's Vision Statement**

- **Increase our impact**
  - The grants program provides opportunities to take action locally and around the world
- **Expand our reach**
  - Find new ways and new locations to do good in the world. Reach out to new donors and partners
- **Enhance participant engagement**
  - Encourage Rotarians, Rotaractors and others to be actively involved in Foundation activities, from fund-raising to project implementation
- **Increase our ability to adapt**
  - The world is constantly changing and so are the needs and opportunities. The Rotary Foundation can and does adapt together with our members to new realities



# THE ROTARY FOUNDATION – THE BEGINNING



At the 1917 Convention, outgoing Rotary president Arch Klumph proposed establishing an endowment “for the purpose of doing good in the world.”

That one idea, and an initial contribution of \$26.50, set in motion a powerful force that has transformed millions of lives around the globe.

# THE ROTARY FOUNDATION – A BRIEF HISTORY

**The Rotary Foundation transforms your gifts into service projects that change lives both close to home and around the world.**

- ❖ 1917, The Rotary Foundation is established.
- ❖ 1930, \$500 is awarded to the International Society for the Crippled Children (polio)
- ❖ 1947, Rotarians donate \$1.3 million in Paul Harris's memory
- ❖ 1957 Paul Harris Fellow recognition is introduced
- ❖ 1963, the Matching Grants program is introduced, launched in 1965
- ❖ 1967, 3H – Health, Hunger, Humanity – grants expand service
- ❖ 1985, the PolioPlus program is launched
- ❖ 2007, The Gates Foundation first contribution (\$100 million) to PolioPlus
- ❖ 2013 The current Global & District Grants model is introduced to all Districts

*(Already 2010, D7070 was one of 100 districts, participating in TRF's pilot project – Future Vision - for the new model)*

**During the past 100+ years, the Foundation has spent well over \$3 billion on life-changing, sustainable projects. With your help and donations, we can make lives better in your community and around the world**



# THE ROTARY FOUNDATION'S THREE MAJOR FUNDS

**The Rotary Foundation won't work without donations!  
You, your family & friends, Rotarians & everyone else can contribute!**

## ❖ Endowment Fund

- ❖ Ensures long-term stability of the Foundation's grants and programs
- ❖ Contributions DO NOT qualify for Paul Harris recognition

## ❖ Annual Fund

- ❖ Primary source of funding for TRF's local and international grants and programs
- ❖ Contributions qualify for Paul Harris recognition

## ❖ PolioPlus Fund

- ❖ Contributions are used for the End Polio Now campaign
- ❖ Contributions qualify for Paul Harris recognition

## ❖ Additional Funds

- ❖ Disaster Response Fund, general and specific event related



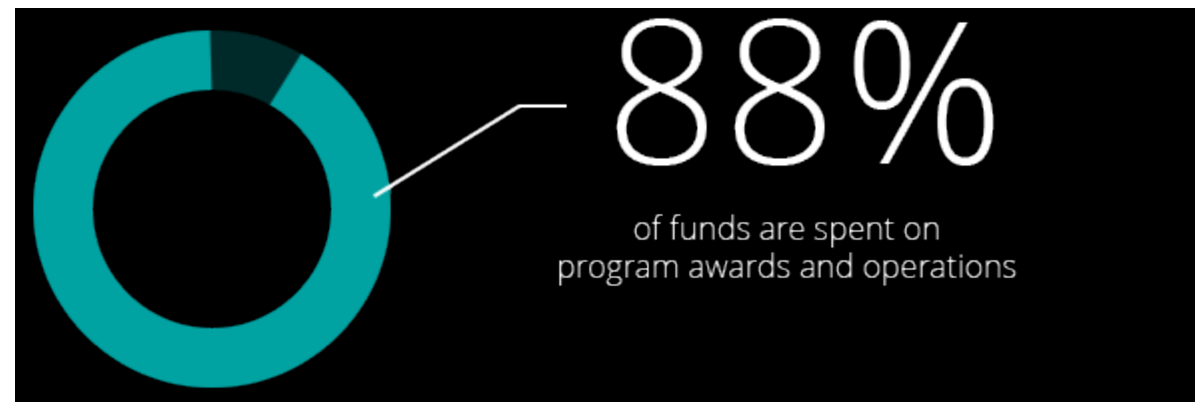
# THE ROTARY FOUNDATION – HIGHLY REGARDED

***Donate with Confidence!!!***



Four Stars  
of Four possible  
for 17 years

Almost all funds  
donated are spent  
on programs



# WHAT IS THE IMPACT OF DONATING?



- \$3 is the average cost to fully protect a child against polio.
- \$50 can maintain water filters to help fight waterborne illness.
- \$200 to develop work opportunities by replacing livestock for people impacted by disasters.

# YOU CAN DONATE IN MANY WAYS

## Donations to the Rotary Foundation can be made

- on-line at [www.rotary.org](http://www.rotary.org) or [www.trfcanda.org](http://www.trfcanda.org)
- by cheque to The Rotary Foundation or The Rotary Foundation (Canada)
- one time or recurrently through arrangements with your bank
- to honour someone
- to various funds or specific projects of the Rotary Foundation
- with matching from over 15,000 participating employers. Is yours one of them?

EVERY  
ROTARIAN  
EVERY  
YEAR

*Give every year according to your means*



# IT'S EASY TO DONATE AT [www.rotary.org](http://www.rotary.org)

## Choose what you would like to support

Featured Causes Areas of Focus Endowment Global Grant >

Contributions to these featured causes are eligible for Paul Harris Fellow recognition.

<input checked="" type="radio"/> <b>Annual Fund-SHARE</b> Learn more	<input type="radio"/> <b>Polio Fund</b> Learn more
<input type="radio"/> <b>World Fund</b> Learn more	<input type="radio"/> <b>Disaster Response Fund</b> Learn more
<input type="radio"/> <b>Pakistan Flood Response Fund</b> Learn more	<input type="radio"/> <b>Ukraine Response Fund</b> Learn more

It is easy to donate to the Rotary Foundation.

Visit [www.rotary.org](http://www.rotary.org) and click on DONATE.

The Annual Fund is the default setting.

If you want to give to another fund, click on it and you can to donate to that particular fund.



# DONOR RECOGNITION – INDIVIDUALS

All donations to the Rotary Foundation are essential in securing and growing Rotary programs around the world. Here are examples of individual donor recognition.

- ❖ **Rotary Foundation Sustainable Member**, min USD100 per year
- ❖ **Benefactor**; min. USD1,000 in cash or estate planning to the Endowment Fund
- ❖ **Paul Harris Fellow**; USD1,000 donated to the Annual Fund or PolioPlus
- ❖ **Multiple Paul Harris Fellow**; every additional USD1,000 donated to the Annual Fund or PolioPlus
- ❖ **Paul Harris Society Member**; when you donate min. USD1,000 every year to the Annual Fund or PolioPlus
- ❖ **Bequest Society**; when you donate USD10,000 or more through your estate planning. (10 levels)
- ❖ **Major Donor**; when your cumulative donations reach USD10,000 (4 levels)
- ❖ **Arch Klumph Society**; when your cumulative donations reach USD250,000 (6 levels)

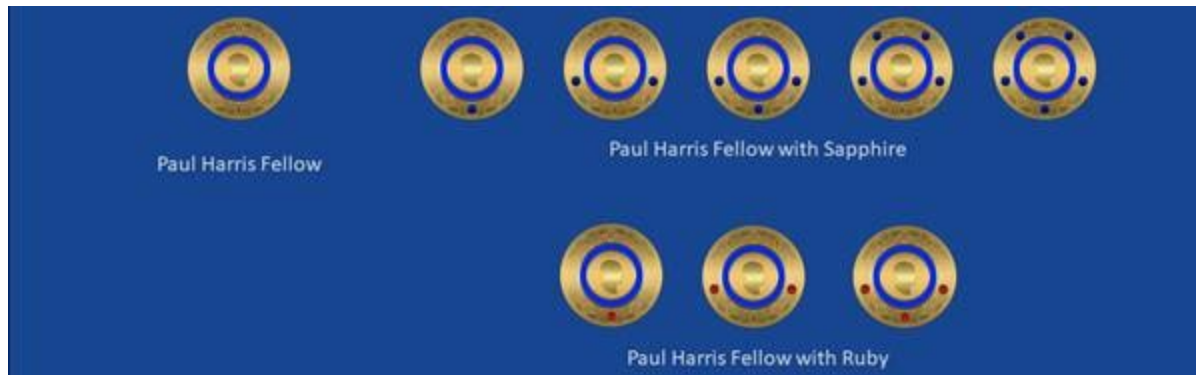
For more information, please visit <https://www.rotary.org/en/donate/recognition>



# EXAMPLES OF DONOR RECOGNITION



Donations to Foundation funds, with the exception of the Endowment Fund, will give Paul Harris credits, one per each US dollar given. Once you reach 1,000 credits, you will be awarded a Paul Harris Fellowship Award. Each 1,000 credits will result in multiple Paul Harris. You become a Major Donor, once you reach 10,000 credits.



# DONOR RECOGNITION - CLUBS

The Rotary Clubs are very important in motivating members to donate to The Rotary Foundation. Therefore, TRF has also introduced a number of Club recognitions.

- ❖ **100% Paul Harris Fellow Club**; all dues-paying members are Paul Harris Fellows
- ❖ **100% Paul Harris Society Club**; clubs where every dues-paying member contributes min. \$1,000 per year to the Annual Fund or PolioPlus
- ❖ **100% Foundation Giving Club**; clubs with an average giving during a Rotary year to TRF funds of min. USD100 per member, 100% participation of dues-paying members and a min. \$25 from members
- ❖ **Every Rotarian Every Year Club**; clubs that during a Rotary year give an average of at least USD100 per member to the Annual Fund or PolioPlus and every dues-paying member donating at least \$25 during the Rotary year
- ❖ **Top Three Per Capita in Annual Fund Giving**; the three Clubs in each District that give most per capita giving to the Annual Fund during a Rotary year are recognized with a banner. Only Clubs with an average donation of USD50 per capita are eligible.

For more information, please visit <https://www.rotary.org/en/donate/recognition>



# ACTIVITIES/PROGRAMS OF THE FOUNDATION

## The Rotary Foundation is spending its funds on three different programs

### ❖ PolioPlus

- From 350,000 cases (120+ countries) in 1985 to <50 (2 countries) in 2025
- Rotary has contributed close to USD3 billion & a huge number of volunteer hours
- More than 3 billion children have been vaccinated since 1985
- Works with WHO, CDC, UNICEF, Gates Foundation & governments
- Funded by PolioPlus fund & DDF
- [www.endpolionow.org](http://www.endpolionow.org)

### ❖ Rotary Peace Fellowships

- Graduate degree in international relations, peace, conflict resolution at five universities around the world, or a Professional Development Certificate Program at three universities
- Districts nominate by July 1 for worldwide competition
- Funded by DDF, Endowment Fund & World Fund

### ❖ Grants

- District Grants & Global Grants (Humanitarian, VTT & Graduate Scholarships)
- Funded by DDF & World Fund

# WHO CAN PARTICIPATE IN THE GRANTS PROGRAM?

## Rotary and Rotaract Clubs MUST be Qualified to take part in the Rotary Foundation's Grants Program

### Rotary & Rotaract Clubs are qualified when ...

- min. 2 members complete the District's Qualification Training either by completing the two D7070 online Foundation training modules, or attending specific District Foundation seminars, such as November 15, 2025, and
- the President and President Elect have signed a Memorandum Of Understanding (MOU) and submitted it to the District. The form is available on D7070 website.

### ***N.B.!***

- ***The Qualification is valid for One Year.***
- ***The Club as a unit is responsible for all matters related to the Rotary Foundation, not just the members taking the training and/or writing the application.***
- ***Club must remain qualified throughout the life of the project.***



# THE MOU – A CRUCIAL PART OF GRANTS PROCESS

## The MOU is an important document, covering the following

### ❖ Terms of Club Qualification

- ❖ For one year; The Club in its entity is responsible for the Grant

### ❖ Club Leadership Responsibilities for Qualification

- ❖ A Club member to be appointed in charge of Grant management; 2 members must take training

### ❖ Financial Management

- ❖ For Global Grants, a separate bank account is required; funds can only be used for project activities; two Club members required for signing cheques; receipts and book-keeping a must

### ❖ Document Retention

- ❖ Keep documents in a safe – and known – place for at least 5 years

### ❖ Report on Use of Grant Funds

- ❖ Progress reports each 12<sup>th</sup> month; Final report max. 2 months after project completion

### ❖ Method for Reporting and Resolving Misuse of Grant Funds

- ❖ Club must report any potential misuse or irregularities of funds to District Governor

### ❖ Authorization and Agreement

- ❖ Signed by President and President Elect

# THE SHARE SYSTEM 2026-27 – The Annual Fund



## District 7070

### Donations to the Annual Fund 2023-24

- > USD227K
- > Invested 3 years

July 1, 2026

- > D7070 will get access to min. USD108K as DDF (District Designated Funds)
- > D7070 decides how to use DDF (Match Club to Global Grants, District Grants, transfer to PolioPlus and/or Peace Center)
- > The World Fund will receive USD108K and similar 'halves' from every Rotary District. World Fund is used for the TRF Award to Global Grants, and
- > USD11K to TRF Admin

*The DDF amount received will likely be somewhat larger (circa USD10K) thanks to D7070 related contributions from the Endowment Fund*

# YOUR CLUB IS QUALIFIED – *once ...*

*Only Qualified Clubs  
Can Apply for Grants*



- at least two Club members have either completed the online Grant Qualification Training for the Rotary year 2026 – 27, or attended specific District Foundation seminars, and
- your Club has signed the MOU
- Record of qualified Clubs is kept on the District's website

End of Module 1. Please, take the related quiz.  
<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/XM62HRS>

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*Thank You*

