The Rotary Foundation

The Rotary Foundation is the charitable arm of Rotary International. It funds and powers the good works of Rotary clubs worldwide. Its mission is to help Rotarians advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace by improving health, supporting education, and alleviating poverty.

1 STRUCTURE: HOW IT'S ORGANIZED

WHAT IT IS
A public charity that turns donations into service projects that change lives.

WHO RUNS IT
Governed by a Board of Trustees (different from the Rotary International Board of Directors, which runs the member organization).

WHERE IT IS
Headquarters are in Evanston, Illinois, USA.



2 FUNDING: THE THREE MAIN FUNDS

The Foundation's work is supported by three principal funds.

ANNUAL FUND
The primary source of money for yearly Rotary projects and grants. Donations are invested for three years before being spent.

3 YEARS →

ENDOWMENT FUND
A permanent fund where the capital is never spent. Only the investment earnings are used, securing Rotary's long-term future.

**SUSTAINING TODAY
SECURING TOMORROW**

POLIOPLUS FUND
Specifically dedicated to the global eradication of polio.

END POLIO NOW

3 PROGRAMS: HOW THE MONEY IS USED

The Foundation focuses its work in seven Areas of Focus.

- Peacebuilding & Conflict Prevention
- Disease Prevention & Treatment
- Water, Sanitation & Hygiene
- Basic Education & Literacy
- Maternal & Child Health
- Community Economic Development
- Supporting the Environment

It achieves this through two main types of support:

A. GRANTS – Funding for Rotary clubs to carry out projects

DISTRICT GRANTS
For small-scale, short-term, local or international projects.



GLOBAL GRANTS
For large-scale, international projects with sustainable, measurable outcomes.



B. TARGETED PROGRAMS – Specific initiatives

POLIOPLUS PROGRAM
Working toward a polio-free world.

END POLIO NOW

ROTARY PEACE FELLOWSHIPS
Developing leaders to promote peace and prevent conflict.

VOCATIONAL TRAINING TEAMS
Sharing skills and expertise to build stronger communities.

HOW IT WORKS – THE ROTARY FOUNDATION IN ACTION

1. **DONATE**
Rotarians and friends contribute to the Foundation's funds.

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2. **INVEST**
Contributions are invested for growth and sustainability.

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3. **DISTRIBUTE**
Funds are converted into grants and programs.

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4. **CLUBS & DISTRICTS ACT**
Clubs use the grants to carry out hands-on projects.

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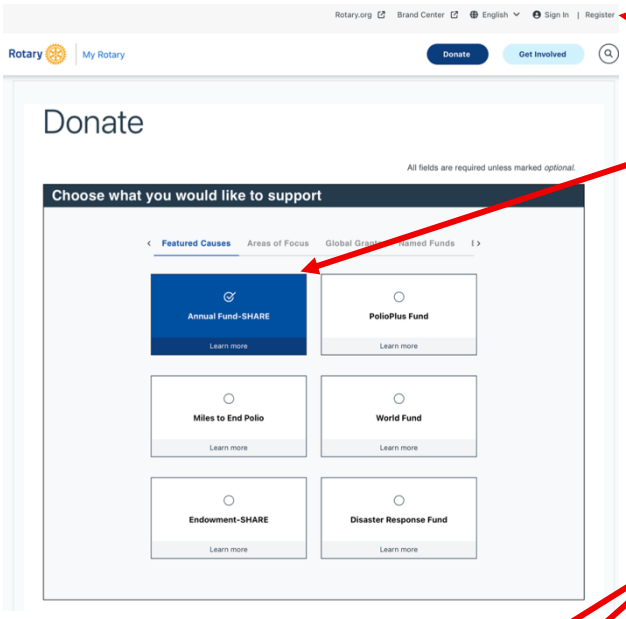
5. **LASTING IMPACT**
Communities thrive and lives are changed around thie world.

CREATE LASTING IMPACT

Rotary

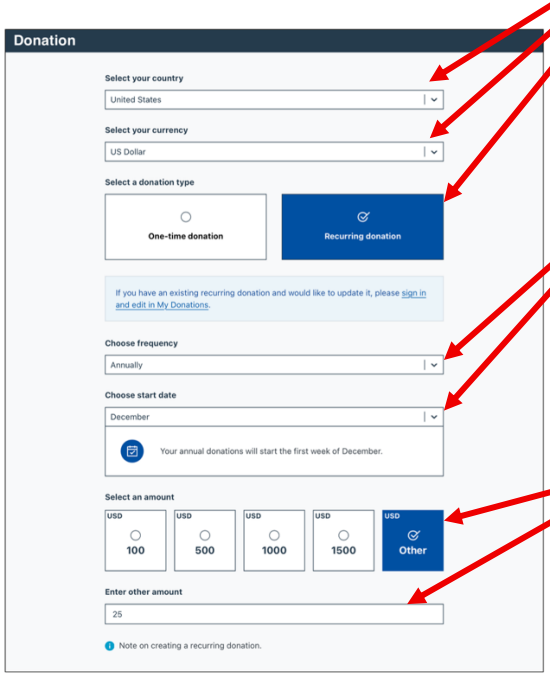
Contributing via Rotary Direct: www.my.rotary.org/rotary-direct



Log in or register.

Choose **Annual Fund-SHARE.**

This fund is used for EREY (Every Rotarian Every Year) contributions because those are the funds that come back to the club for grant-funded projects.



Confirm that Country and Currency are correct, then choose **Recurring Donation.**

This will allow you to set up your EREY contribution once, then not worry about it again.

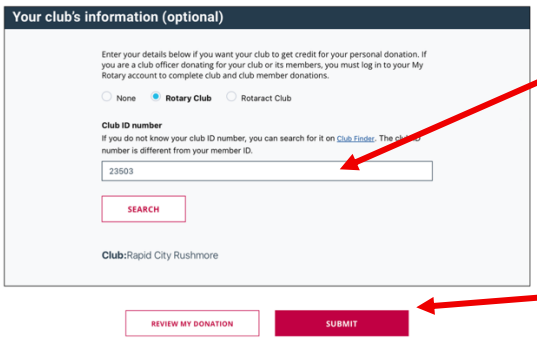
Set frequency to **Annually.**

Start Date will default to the next calendar month. You may change the month, but please DO NOT select April, May or June; those months are late in the Rotary year and sometimes cause problems with tracking EREY contributions.

Set the amount to **Other**, then enter **25.**

$25 is the minimum annual donation for EREY but you can certainly contribute a higher amount.

Enter or confirm your personal info, billing address and payment details as you would for any other online transaction.



Please add the club's information if it is not already auto-filled.

Rushmore Rotary's Club ID is 23503.

Review your donation, then click **Submit.**