THE PERMANENT FUND

The Permanent Fund of the Rotary Foundation is funded by cash donations or by bequests. Bequests are the most common form of contributions.

Unlike annual giving, the funds of the Permanent Fund are never spent, but the interest earned by the fund are distributed on the same basis as annual giving funds. That is 50% is retained by the World Fund to support Foundation projects (global grants, scholarship support, PolioPlus, etc.) and 50% is returned to the Districts. The District allocates 50% of their share directly to the individual clubs to use for local and international humanitarian projects.

Benefactor – anyone making a bequest of $1,000 to $9,999 is recognized as a Benefactor and receives a certificate and a medallion to be worn with their Rotary pin.

Bequest Society Member – anyone making a bequest of $10,000 or more becomes and Bequest Society member. They receive a crystal and a diamond pin. Additional diamonds are awarded on the same basis as Major Donors, up to seven diamonds for bequests of one million dollars or more.

Becoming a Benefactor or Bequest Society member is quite easy. The bequests are may be withdrawn or amended if the Rotarians circumstances change.

Income from any bequests you make will benefit your club and your District for eternity.

The following links are available on this web page:

1)Benefactor membership form

2) Bequest Society membership form

3) Sample codicil ( it is not necessary to change you will to make a bequest)

4) FAQ (see how easy it is to make a bequest)

5) The Permanent Fund (various ways to make bequests)