

Rotary



# Hawaii District 5000

NOVEMBER | FOUNDATION MONTH & WORLD INTERACT WEEK



## Aloha, Rotarians of District 5000!

November is Foundation Month! This is the month when we celebrate all the good works we as Rotarians accomplish because of our work through The Rotary Foundation of Rotary International. The Rotary Foundation is YOUR foundation – YOU provide the donations either personally or through your fundraising efforts. YOU get half the funds back as District Designated Funds three years later. YOU make the decision how your portion of these funds will be used for projects YOU determine. No other foundation provides YOU with this same level of involvement in the decision of how the funds will be used.

This month is the time to make that contribution you've been meaning to do. Go online and fill out the recurring giving form and you don't have to worry about it again! Or hand a check to your club Foundation Chair (it will make him or her VERY happy!) And by doing this small act, YOU will change someone's life.

Because that's really what it's all about, isn't it? It's not fundraising for fundraising sake – or contributing for recognition or awards or thanks. It's because the dollars you contribute to The Rotary Foundation go to projects that make a difference. Charity Navigator has rated The Rotary Foundation at the top of its good guys chart. You can all give with confidence that your dollars are spent where YOU want them to be spent.

So what have you done this Rotary year? YOUR contributions from three years ago have so far helped to fund 83 separate projects through our District Grant program – helping kids and the elderly and the homeless – right here in Hawaii. And YOUR participation in one of our Global Grants will provide cleft palate surgeries and dialysis machines and needed supplies for an orphanage among the poorest of the poor in our world.

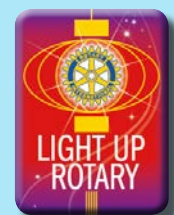
And all of YOU who participated in one of the Polio Plus activities before and after World Polio Day have provided vaccines to children in Afghanistan, Nigeria, and Pakistan – our last three remaining endemic countries. With YOUR help, we'll finish this!

Mahalo to all of YOU for your help. Make your contribution this month. Tell your friends and neighbors how Rotary is changing lives through The Rotary Foundation. Invite them to join you. They, too, can do good in the world as together we

LIGHT UP ROTARY!

Aloha,

**DG Laura**



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