

The District Rotary Foundation - November 2020

By PDG Frank Ortiz, District Rotary Foundation Chair

Fellow Rotarians; the month of November is Rotary Foundation Month. Your generous contributions to The Rotary Foundation are essential to securing and growing Rotary programs throughout the world. We recognize donors to express our gratitude for your commitment, offering individual and club recognition as well as naming opportunities that enable you to honor a friend or family member.

FINANCIAL SUPPORT to The Rotary Foundation is accomplished largely through the TRF Annual Fund and Polio Plus Fund. The Endowment Fund and other Legacy Funds such as the Bequest Society ensure long-term financial health for the organization.

For the first four months of the 2020-2021 Rotary year, total giving from our District to TRF was **\$156,735**, of which TRF Annual Fund received **\$99,731**, and Polio Plus received **\$26,340**. District Governor Deb has articulated the need for early giving the TRF Annual Fund and Polio Plus, and D5240 Rotarians are responding. Keep up the good work!

INDIVIDUAL RECOGNITION

Rotary Foundation Sustaining Member: When you give \$100 or more per year to the Annual Fund.

Benefactor: When you include the Endowment Fund as a beneficiary in your estate plans or when you donate \$1,000 or more to the fund outright. Benefactors receive a certificate and insignia to wear with a Rotary or Paul Harris Fellow pin.

Paul Harris Fellow: When you give \$1,000 or more to the Annual Fund, PolioPlus, or an approved Foundation grant. To recognize someone else as a Paul Harris Fellow, you can give that amount in their name as well.

Multiple Paul Harris Fellow: When you give additional gifts of \$1,000 or more to the Annual Fund, PolioPlus, or an approved Foundation grant.

Paul Harris Society member: When you elect to contribute \$1,000 or more annually to the Annual Fund, PolioPlus, or an approved Foundation grant. Learn more about the Paul Harris Society.

District 5240 PolioPlus Society member: When you elect to contribute \$100 or more annually to PolioPlus.

Bequest Society: When you make a commitment for future gifts of \$10,000 or more to The Rotary Foundation, you'll be invited to join the Bequest Society.

- ✓ \$10,000: Bequest Society pin and an exclusive art piece suitable for framing.
- ✓ \$25,000: Rotary's Promise crystal and named endowed fund, plus all of the above.
- ✓ \$50,000: Separate named endowed funds directed to two areas of focus or districts, plus all of the above.
- ✓ \$100,000: Customized Rotary's Promise crystal, plus all of the above.
- ✓ \$250,000: Posthumous induction into the Arch Klumph Society, plus all of the above.
- ✓ \$500,000: Special seating and registration benefits at the Rotary International Convention, plus all of the above.

Major Donor: When your cumulative donations reach \$10,000. Major Donors can choose to receive a crystal recognition piece and a Major Donor lapel pin or pendant. NOTE: Name recognition is not automatic and needs to be reported to RI staff. Recognition items commemorate giving at these levels:

- ✓ Level 1: \$10,000 to \$24,999
- ✓ Level 2: \$25,000 to \$49,999
- ✓ Level 3: \$50,000 to \$99,999
- ✓ Level 4: \$100,000 to \$249,999

District 5240 Triple Crown Donor Circle: When you elect to obtain the giving levels of: MAJOR DONOR, BEQUEST SOCIETY, and PAUL HARRIS SOCIETY

Arch Klumph Society: When your cumulative donations reach \$250,000. Recognition includes an induction ceremony and your picture and biography in the Arch Klumph Society interactive gallery at the Rotary International headquarters in Evanston, Illinois. You also receive invitations to society events, along with membership pins and crystals that commemorate giving at the following levels:

- ✓ Trustees Circle: \$250,000 to \$499,999
- ✓ Chair's Circle: \$500,000 to \$999,999
- ✓ Foundation Circle: \$1,000,000 to \$2,499,999
- ✓ Platinum Trustees Circle: \$2,500,000 to \$4,999,999
- ✓ Platinum Chair's Circle: \$5,000,000 to \$9,999,999
- ✓ Platinum Foundation Circle: \$10,000,000 and above

Legacy Society: When you promise a gift of \$1 million or more to the Endowment, you'll be listed in Rotary's annual report and invited to exclusive Rotary International and Foundation events. Legacy Society members also receive special recognition items and all the benefits provided to Bequest Society members.

CLUB RECOGNITION

100% Paul Harris Fellow Club: For clubs in which all dues-paying members are Paul Harris Fellows. This is a one-time recognition.

100% Paul Harris Society Club: For clubs in which every dues-paying member contributes a minimum of \$1,000 to the Annual Fund, PolioPlus, or global grants within a Rotary year.

100% Foundation Giving Club: For clubs that achieve an average of \$100 in per capita giving and 100 percent participation, with every dues-paying member contributing at least \$25 to any or all of the following during the Rotary year: Annual Fund, PolioPlus Fund, approved global grants, or Endowment Fund.

100% Rotary's Promise Club: For clubs in which every dues-paying member supports the Endowment. The commitment may be for a future gift to The Rotary Foundation in an estate plan or an outright gift of \$1,000 or more to the Endowment.

Every Rotarian, Every Year Club: For clubs that achieve a minimum Annual Fund contribution of \$100 per capita during the Rotary year, and every dues-paying member must personally contribute at least \$25 to the Annual Fund during the year.

Top Three Per Capita in Annual Fund Giving: For the three clubs in each district that give the most, per capita, to the Annual Fund. Clubs that give at least \$50 per capita are eligible.

The DRFC stands ready to support the efforts of Rotarians throughout District 5240 for the 2020-2021 Rotary year. Take a look at the DRFC subpage on the District Website at: DRFC subpage: <https://rotarydistrict5240.org/sitepage/the-rotary-foundation>