

Grants Pass Club Dues and Foundation Contributions

The following is an explanation of the club billing and foundation contribution requests.

The total suggested yearly contribution to the club is \$475 per member. Of this amount \$225 is required membership dues. The other \$250 is allocated to the Grants Pass Rotary Foundation. This amount is optional but highly encouraged, and each member may donate a larger or smaller amount. Members are also encouraged to donate to The Rotary Foundation, a foundation of Rotary International and is a separate entity from the club foundation. Both foundations are 501 (c) (3) charities.

Membership dues are allocated as follows: \$113 to Rotary International for dues, magazine subscription, and insurance; \$57 for District Dues, leaving \$55 for Club Activities and operations.

Club Activities include:

- Programs, speakers, guests, etc.
- Rotary International convention, PETS
- Directory, supplies and office expense
- Presidents Dinner

The **Grants Pass Rotary Foundation**, our club foundation, is used to support the community in some of the following ways:

- Club Charitable Community Grants
- District Matching Grants
- Exchange students
- High School Scholarships
- Group Study Exchange
- RYLA
- Track Meet
- Other

The Rotary Foundation (TRF) contributions are paid to directly to Rotary International and are not included in your \$475 club invoice. Contributions can be directed toward the **Annual Fund** and/or the **Polio Fund** and credits toward your Paul Harris Fellowship. The club encourages a donation of \$200 to the Annual Fund and \$100 to the Polio Fund.

Annual Fund-SHARE is the primary source of funding for a broad range of local and international Rotary Foundation activities. Every Rotarian, Every Year (EREY) is the fundraising initiative designed to encourage support for the Foundation's Annual Fund. EREY asks every Rotary member to Contribute to the Annual Fund every year. Through Annual Fund-SHARE, contributions are transformed into grants that change lives. Contributions to Annual Fund-SHARE are divided as follows:

- 47.5% is credited to the World Fund.
- 47.5% is credited to the District Designated Fund.
- 5% is credited to operating expenses.

The Foundation uses the World Fund portion to pay for the worldwide grant and program opportunities available to all Rotary districts. Your district uses the District Designated Fund (DDF) portion to fund the Foundation grants and programs of its choice.

PolioPlus grants fund global polio eradication efforts in countries where polio is endemic and those at risk for the disease. Grants support immunization campaigns and monitoring of poliovirus transmission. PolioPlus grants are funded from the general PolioPlus Fund and District Designated Fund contributions. Grant proposals are submitted primarily by major implementing partner agencies, such as the World Health Organization and UNICEF. Foundation Trustees consider PolioPlus grant requests at regularly scheduled meetings. You are encouraged to join the PolioPlus Society and pledge to donate \$100 each year.

TRF contributions can be made on the Rotary International website or by writing a check to the Rotary Foundation. This check can be handed to the Foundation Chair or the Secretary. They may also be mailed to the club PO box. Be sure to designate the amount to be applied to each of the Annual Fund and Polio fund.