



Williamston *Sunrise* Rotary
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In 1796, Edward Jenner administered the first smallpox vaccination to an 8-year-old boy. The boy recovered. 184 years later, in 1980, the World Health Organization declared smallpox eradicated, ending a 3,000-year scourge.

In 1985, one thousand people were stricken by polio every day across the world. That's 365,000 cases each year; most of them were children. 35 years later, only 10 cases of polio were reported in 2020. Rotary International played a major role in working towards the eradication of polio in conjunction with the World Health Organization, the United Nations, and the Gates Foundation. That partnership started with one small Rotary Club.

We have an opportunity to go from 184 years to 35 years to just a couple of years, through the miracle that is vaccination. But vaccination only works when people get vaccinated.

Williamston Sunrise Rotary invites you to be a part of the solution to the COVID-19 pandemic by actively promoting the CDC's campaign to get everyone vaccinated. Simply promote the concept that vaccination is the only way to return to any semblance of 'normal'.



Free stickers are available on request from the Williamston Sunrise Rotary. They will also be available locally at:

Williamston Central Pharmacy	D&W Pharmacy and service desk
Williamston Post Office	Great Harvest Bread, Okemos
Limner Press (bulk stickers also available for purchase)	Williamston Branch of Capital Area District Library
The Studio Shop	<i>And more... check williamstonrotary.org</i>

Buttons are also available for a \$1 donation

Promoting the vaccination among your employees, customers, clients, family and friends is the single most important action you can take to be part of this next Great Pandemic Defeat. **Remember: until we have beaten this thing, we can save lives by masking, hand washing and social distancing!**

Thank you,

Williamston Sunrise Rotary