District Foundation Committee

DISTRICT 6980



Global Grant for Covid-19

The global grant for COVID-19 (GG2011846) critically needed medical equipment has been funded by The Rotary Foundation!

The Rotary Club of Oviedo in partnership with the Rotary Clubs of Altamonte Springs, Casselberry, Lake County Golden Triangle, The Parks-Orlando, Seminole County South, South Lake County (Clermont), The Villages, The Villages-Evening, and Winter Park has obtained funding from The Rotary Foundation in the amount of \$36,897 to be used to procure decontamination and sterilization equipment to use in combating the SARS-COV-2 virus that can cause COVID-19. This equipment will be used by the AdventHealth Foundation in Orlando area hospitals for immediate use. This equipment will also be of long-term benefit to help with any viral contamination in the future including staph and flu viruses.

Global grants can be initiated by any qualified club in our district at any time





Rotary will be adding a brand new 7th area of focus Supporting the Environment starting July 2021

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African Region Certified Wild-Polio Free

The Rotary Foundation and its partners in the Global Polio Eradication Initiative (GPEI) announced on August 25th. 2020 that the African Region comprising 47 separate countries across nearly 11.7 million square miles and many different cultures, languages and customs was certified wildpolio free. After 4 years of having no cases of wild polio. That is 1.8 Million cases of wild polio averted, 9 billion doses of oral polio vaccine provided, 220 million children vaccinated multiple times each year, 2 million volunteer vaccinators support polio campaigns each year.

The donations that you, your club and your district make to the Polio Plus fund of The Rotary Foundation played a vital role in achieving this milestone.

If you would like to help with a district led fundraiser, please consider

marathon+. Over the next two months we will invite Rotarians and friends of Rotary to track the distance they walk/jog/run to accumulate mileage and funds that will go 100% to the Polio Plus Fund and be

matched by the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation with \$2 added to every \$1 you are able to raise.

The application for this virtual marathon+ can be found on the District Download files on the DACdb under The Foundation.

Each person who commits to raising funds for Polio Plus will **receive** an **END POLIO NOW headband**.. while supplies last)

Our Polio Plus Chair, Michael Franklin from RC of Apopka is leading this effort. Thank you MICHAEL!



*World Polio Day is October 24,*2020

-One Day, One Focus, Ending Polio "Our greatest responsibility is to be good ancestors"

-Jonas Salk

There are many great ideas that your club may consider to use to help support your fundraising efforts. Please visit the **DACdb** under The **Foundation Documents** folder to find a **list of 20 ideas** your club might wish to consider.

Annual Fund Donations

All donations to the ANNUAL **FUND SHARE account** through your club or as individuals will yield district designated funds for your club to use to help you fund worthy district and global grants. It is never too early in the Rotary year to direct your fundraising dollars and personal donations to this important funds of The Rotary Foundation. A portion of the funds donated in Rotary year 2020-2021 to Annual Fund SHARE will become available by your club to use in 2023-2024. This is truly what it means to "pay it forward". Due to the generosity of Rotarians in our district in Rotary year 2017-2018

Our district received over \$143,000 to support projects including Polio Plus and over \$55,000 in district grant projects.

While it is early in the Rotary year, our top 3 clubs for annual fund per capita in Rotary Year 2020-2021 so far are: The Villages-Noon, St. Cloud and The Villages. The earlier in the Rotary year your club's funds reach Rotary International the sooner these funds can be put to work to "DO GOOD IN THE WORLD"

Please consider setting a target of reaching 25% of your club's targeted annual giving goal by September 30th, 2020. Please also make sure to set your goals for the year for Foundation in the goals center at Rotary.org

For all of your club members who make individual donations please encourage the use of **ROTARY DIRECT**. This is very easy way to make regular contributions to TRF on a monthly or quarterly basis. The sign-up form can be found at Rotary.org or on the DACdb under

Foundation Documents.

For clubs that achieve a minimum Annual Fund contribution of \$100 per capita during the Rotary year, and every dues-paying member personally contributes at least \$25 to the Annual Fund during the year

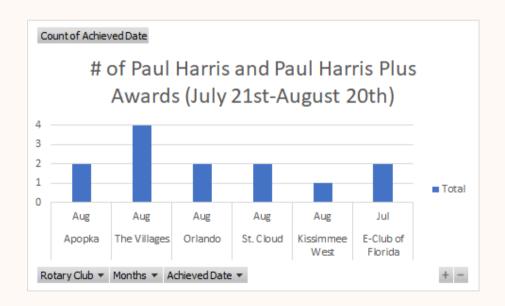


District Grants

18 clubs in our district have a total of 29 district grants in process under TRF block district grant DG2117987. As each district grant is successfully completed it is important that the final report be filed on the correct version of the final report template. This template was updated after our January 25, 2020 district grant management seminar. The correct version of this form can be found on the DACdb in the **Foundation Documents** Folder. Please contact John Beall our District Grants Sub-Committee chair at jbeall@embarqmail.com should you have any questions regarding this form.

Paul Harris Movers, August

The following clubs had members recognized by TRF as becoming Paul Harris Fellows or moving up a level. These are not the dates of when each club may have presented the Paul Harris to the recipient:



Paul Harris Society

Our District presently has 57 Rotarians who are members of the Paul Harris Society, an organization that is committed to sustainable giving to The Rotary Foundation of at least \$1,000/year. You may find the **Paul Harris Society Application Form** on our district's download documents on the DACdb under **Foundation Documents**.

Benefactors & Bequest Society

Bequest Society members plan to leave at least \$10,000 from their will or estate to TRF. An application called "Your Rotary Legacy" can be found on the DACdb under Foundation Documents if you would like to pursue this avenue. Rotary is pleased to confer Benefactor status on those who commit any amount in their estate plan to the Endowment. Benefactors receive personalized certificates and a special insignia to wear with their Rotary pins. Your club may even want to become the **FIRST** club in our district to be a 100% **Rotary's Promise Club**: For clubs in which every dues-paying member supports the TRF 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.

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