



ROTARY CLUB OF WILMINGTON

THE ROTARY FOUNDATION (TRF) and the ROTARY CLUB OF DOWNTOWN WILMINGTON FOUNDATION (RCDWF)

Club members often ask the question “What is the difference between Rotary’s foundation (TRF) and our club’s foundation (RCDWF)?” Here’s the answer:

Interest Area	TRF	RCDWF
Tax deductible?	Yes	Yes
Who can donate?	Rotarians and friends of Rotary	Club members and friends of Club
Where do donations go?	Annual Fund, PolioPlus Fund, or Endowment Fund	Club’s annual fund raiser
What do donations support?	Annual Fund and Endowment Funds support District Grants and Global Grants (District matches Club dollar for dollar). PolioPlus Fund supports eradication of polio world-wide (each dollar is matched 2 to 1 by Gates Foundation).	Club’s annual funding for programs such as: Rotary Wheel maintenance Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA) Lake Waccamaw Boys and Girls Home Veterans Day Parade Fund raiser overhead
How are donations handled?	Annual Fund and Endowment Fund donations are held for 3 years (interest pays admin. fees) with 50% going back to District for use by clubs and 50% going to World Fund for Global Grants, Scholarships and Exchange programs. PolioPlus Fund donations go direct to polio grants.	Deposited in club bank account and dispersed when needed.
How are donors recognized?	As a Paul Harris Fellow, Multiple Paul Harris Fellow, Paul Harris Society member, or Major Donor. For example, a \$1,000 donor receives a Paul Harris Fellow pin and medallion.	As a recipient of a club pin named after former past district governors from the club. For example, a \$1,000 donor receives a Moore Society pin in honor of Roger Moore, PDG in 1922-23.