

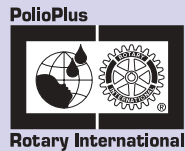
## PolioPlus Partners

“Without the support of PolioPlus Partners, it is not possible to kick polio out of Angola and Africa as a whole. Therefore, we must continue to work together to ensure that polio is eradicated in Africa.”

*Sylvia Nagy, Chair  
Angola National PolioPlus Committee*

“The contribution of Rotary clubs, small and large, to the National Immunization Days, as well as to surveillance activities, has ensured the success of these vital steps in the eradication program. Many of the children you have helped may never set eyes on a Rotarian, but your humanitarian efforts have helped to ensure a life free of the ravages of this terrible disease. On their behalf, I thank you.”

*Brian H. Knowles, Past Chair  
Western Pacific PolioPlus Committee*



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# Providing Tools for Immunization and Eradication

### What is PolioPlus Partners?

PolioPlus Partners is a Rotary Foundation program by which Rotary clubs, districts, and individual Rotarians may voluntarily assist in reaching Rotary’s goal of a polio-free world. They support the immunization activities of Rotary and its worldwide partners — World Health Organization (WHO), United Nations Children’s Fund (UNICEF), and the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) — by keeping Rotarians informed of progress, promoting accurate media coverage, volunteering in NIDs, and providing needed resources in regions with, or at risk for, polio.

“We have broadened the mission of the remodeled PolioPlus Partners to meet the final challenges of polio eradication. At the heart of that challenge is the need for Rotarians to keep their focus. We have come so far! We have accomplished so much! WHATEVER IT TAKES, we will keep our promise to children everywhere that their world will be free of the threat of death or crippling by polio.”

*Charles C. Keller, RI President, 1987-88  
Chair, PolioPlus Partners Task Force*



### Providing the Tools of Immunization and Eradication

PolioPlus Partners provides funding for tools for immunization and eradication. These tools include items that are used to attract children to the immunization site: radio and television advertisements, balloons, lollipops to reward the children, T-shirts to identify the volunteer workers, battery-operated megaphones to communicate with the villagers on immunization day, and billboards and posters to announce the time and place of the immunization. The program also supports the purchase of bicycles, boats, and four-wheel drive vehicles for surveillance of acute flaccid paralysis, and cold chain equipment like vaccine carriers and cold boxes.

### Guaranteeing Integrity

PolioPlus Partners projects are generated by either the National PolioPlus Committee chair in a project country or select representatives of the World Health Organization or the United Nations Children’s Fund. These projects are required to meet a list of eligibility criteria which were established by the Trustees of The Rotary Foundation. Once a project has met the eligibility criteria and has been approved for funding, it is added to the PolioPlus Partners Open Projects List, which is distributed to Rotarians worldwide.

### Methods of Contributing to PolioPlus Partners

Individuals, clubs, and districts can provide support to PolioPlus Partners projects through:

1. Direct contributions of any amount (eligible for Paul Harris Fellow Recognition)
2. Use of district *SHARE* funds

## The Rotary Legacy – a “plus” in PolioPlus

### Equipment

The equipment for surveillance provided by the PolioPlus Partners program will continue to be used long after polio is eradicated. It will remain as Rotary's legacy to the world and will provide support to other public health needs for years to come.



### Rallying the Community

Rotary's role as the largest source of private support for a public health initiative will provide lessons learned to future disease eradication and public health initiatives. Rotarians around the world have demonstrated that the cooperative efforts of volunteers, governments, and public health organizations can result in triumphant victories against overwhelming odds.

“At each of the three rounds of Nigeria NIDs, over 42 million children under five years old were reached and immunized. This is due to the awareness created through the 200,000 immunizers, field guides, and supervisors, all over the length and breadth of Nigeria, wearing the innovative green-and-white aprons procured through the PolioPlus Partners Fund.”

*Adedejin Adefeso, Chair*

*Nigeria National PolioPlus Committee*

*Member, African Regional PolioPlus Committee*

## PolioPlus Partners – Rotarians Thinking Globally, Acting Locally

Participation in the PolioPlus Partners program has linked clubs and districts around the world, creating partners with fellow Rotarians. Here are examples of how these districts and clubs have contributed:

- ◆ Rotarians in District 5170 (California, USA) organized a fundraising campaign called Good-bye Polio in Ghana. With the help of districts 5000, 5150, 5160, 5180, 5190, 5220, and 5230, they raised over US\$300,000 for the Ghana NID project.
- ◆ Districts 7510 (New Jersey and Pennsylvania, USA) and 5450 (northern Colorado, USA) contributed to surveillance in Nepal by supporting the purchase of vehicles, motorcycles, and bicycles.
- ◆ Swiss Rotarians carried out fundraising for Somalia and provided support for its NID and surveillance projects.
- ◆ Japanese Rotarians supported Benin, Nepal, and Bangladesh in the purchase of surveillance and social mobilization items.



## Your contribution can help achieve the goal of a polio-free world

Here is how your gift can help:

- ◆ US\$135 can provide a bicycle to distribute vaccine to villages.
- ◆ US\$200 can provide 10,000 pamphlets to inform the public about an NID.
- ◆ US\$170 can provide 10 vaccine carriers, which are used to maintain vaccine at the correct temperature.

Please note that prices for items will vary from country to country.

## PolioPlus Partners Remittance Form

- I am enclosing my check payable to The Rotary Foundation - PolioPlus Partners, P.O. Box 75133, Chicago, IL 60675-5133, USA  
or  
the nearest service center or fiscal agent.
- Local currency amount \_\_\_\_\_

### Donor Information:

Name of donor \_\_\_\_\_

Address of donor \_\_\_\_\_

Club/District \_\_\_\_\_

### Project Selection:

Please indicate the projects you would like to support.

(For a detailed listing of current projects, see the PolioPlus Partners Open Projects List:

[www.rotary.org/foundation/polioplus](http://www.rotary.org/foundation/polioplus), or call 847-866-3000.)

- A. Apply these funds for the highest priority needs for the eradication of polio as determined by the International PolioPlus Committee. If there is a shortage of matching funds, this category will have the highest priority for matching funds. Project ID: P301PPC001
- B. Support of Open Projects:  
1st Choice \_\_\_\_\_ Project ID: P3 \_\_\_\_\_  
2nd Choice \_\_\_\_\_ Project ID: P3 \_\_\_\_\_
- C. No preference

*Note: If 1st or 2nd choice project is not available, your contribution will be used for the current highest priority project or “A” above.*

*Please tear at perforation and place in envelope*

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