

The Rotary Foundation FAQs

PolioPlus

Q. How can I participate in a National Immunization Day (NID)?

A. Rotary does not coordinate trips to NIDs, but we can refer interested Rotarians to a coordinator in the field, who will share information with them about upcoming trips.

Q. When will polio be eradicated?

A. Based on current information and the assessment by the Advisory Committee on Polio Eradication, all countries, with the exception of Nigeria, could be polio-free by the end of 2006. Nigeria will need an additional 12 months to become polio-free. After the last case of polio, there must be three years of no reported cases before the world can be certified polio-free.

Q. How much money has Rotary contributed to global polio eradication?

A. By the time the world is certified polio-free, Rotary's contributions to the global polio eradication effort will exceed US\$600 million.

Q. Are contributions to PolioPlus or Partners eligible for Paul Harris Fellow Credit?

A. Yes.

Q. Does PolioPlus need more money?

A. Yes. Cash donations to the PolioPlus Partners program are matched by the Foundation at US\$.50 to the dollar.

Q. How much does it cost to immunize a child against polio?

A. A child can be protected against polio for as little as US\$.60 worth of vaccine.

Q. How many children have been immunized against polio?

A. As a result of the efforts of Rotary International and its Foundation and those of our partners, more than two billion children have received oral polio vaccine.

Q. Can I get a report on my club's/district's giving to polio?

A. Yes, contact Melanie Streich (847-866-3305).

More program information is available on the RI Web site
www.rotary.org/foundation/polioplus/index.html