

FOUNDATION

# NEWSLETTER

Rotary  
Ireland



## ANNUAL FUND & PERSONAL GIVING

Rotary Ireland had traditionally achieved the status of one of the top donating Districts, with one of the highest per capita giving records.

Unfortunately, this appears to be changing, with fewer clubs than before meeting donation targets. The donation target is the EREY – Every Rotarian Every Year – commitment, we make as Rotarians, to each donate a minimum of \$100 annually to our Foundation.

This can be done through personal donation ([see Sustaining Member page](#)), through fundraising (like weekly club raffles), by participating in [the Postal Survey](#), or through club subscriptions.

It is important that we all strive to meet the donation target, because the money we donate returns to us, in the form of Rotary Foundation funding for District Grants and Global Grants.

These are key to our delivery of the projects that are core to our mission of doing good in the world, and it is vital that we maintain the capacity to fund them.

Unless we raise our game, by donating more to our Foundation, we will lose a key part of our ability to make a difference!

### Delivered by Clubs, Funded by Foundation

Using Foundation funding, our District has been issuing 10 or 11 District Grants ever year, to fund excellent club projects, at home and abroad.

Recent examples include:

- The extraordinarily successful project to refurbish parental accommodation units at Our Lady's Hospital for Sick Children
- RC Kilkenny's project to radically upgrade the teaching technology at the Mother of Fair Love special school
- RC Lurgan's program to equip and support a school in one of the most disadvantaged areas of Lima, Peru
- RC Enniskillen's project to create a wonderful sensory garden and recreational at a Fermanagh day care centre for special needs children
- RC Naas' project to equip a centre run by Chernobyl Children's Trust

### Delivered by Clubs, Funded by Foundation

Foundation has also been central to a succession of District led

projects, funded through Global Grants.

These include the Sand Dam projects in Kenya, the current 538 and H2O water projects, and the very successful Project Ciara, a project that has transformed the lives of communities in the Rombo area of Kenya; developing a borehole and building a 20km pipeline, to bring clean potable water to 6 villages.



Read more about these projects, and others, in the [International Service pages](#).

These projects are making a difference, but they can only continue if we step up our funding of our Foundation.

So why not become a Sustaining Member today?

## SUSTAINING MEMBERS

Help make a world of difference to the lives of others

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