



扶輪基金保管委員會主委文告

更多社員及更多支持可做更多善事

在 8 月，我們把重點放在社員工作——探索可以擴大扶輪陣容及接觸範圍的方法。在我們成立新扶輪社，回應國際扶輪社長梅塔「一個帶一個」的呼籲之際，也要考慮這些努力對我們組織各個層級有何正面的影響。

扶輪最大的兩個資產就是社員及扶輪基金會，而這兩者是相關連的。我們的組織是由超過 4 萬 8,000 個扶輪社及扶青社組成，沒有我們忠誠奉獻的社員，我們就無法進行服務。我們的社員也執行基金會在世界行善的使命，在基層推動計畫，並且捐款來支持無數基金會的計畫及獎助金。

扶輪有更多社員，基金會就可以在世界各地做更多善行。我們會有更多雙手來推行水、衛生設施、衛生習慣計畫，讓更多人得以取得清潔用水。我們會有更多顆腦袋來規劃支持產前照護服務的全球獎助金計畫，讓更多嬰兒得以存活。我們可以資助更多支持識字的地區獎助金，讓更多人得以學會閱讀。

今天，我們大約有三分之一的社員透過年度捐款或其他方式來積極支持基金會。想像一下，如果我們能夠增加這樣的支持，即使只多

一點，扶輪的範圍可以怎般擴展。更多扶輪社員的捐獻表示有更多資金可挹注於扶輪和平中心，拜我們與蓋茲基金會的夥伴關係之賜，也會有更多配合捐款來幫助根除小兒麻痺。

扶輪基金會是一股強大的力量，能夠有效率在世界各地推動有影響力且永續的計畫；「慈善導航家」已經連續 13 年給予扶輪基金會 4 顆星的最高評等。所有扶輪成員都可以這點為榮。如果所有扶輪社員都能竭盡全力來支持基金會，那會是多麼美好的一件事。

我在這個月有個簡單的要求。請在下一場扶輪社例會中花 10 分鐘討論這一年要如何增加對基金會的參與。可以是規劃一項網路活動來為基金會募款，或是與其他扶輪社合作推行一項全球獎助金計畫。

無論你怎麼做，要記得一點，我們社員——我們所有人——是扶輪的驅動力，是基金會的生命源泉。

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TRUSTEE CHAIR'S MESSAGE

With more members and support, we'll do more good in the world

In August, we focus on membership — exploring ways we can expand Rotary's ranks and reach. As we form new clubs and answer RI President Shekhar Mehta's call of Each One, Bring One, let's consider how these efforts will have a positive impact at every level of our organization.

Rotary's two greatest assets are its members and The Rotary Foundation, and they are linked. Our organization is made up of more than 48,000 Rotary and Rotaract clubs, and without our dedicated club members, we can't perform service. Our members also carry out the Foundation's mission of doing good in the world, by working on grassroots projects and making contributions that support countless Foundation programs and grants.

With more members in Rotary, the Foundation could do even more good in the world. We would have more hands to set up water, sanitation, and hygiene projects, so that more people could access clean water. We would have more minds to plan global grants projects that support prenatal services, so that more babies could live. We could fund more district grants that support literacy, so that more people could learn to read.

Today, roughly a third of our members actively support the Foundation through annual giving or other means. Imagine how we could

extend Rotary's reach if we were to increase that engagement, even by just a little. More Rotarian contributions would mean additional funding for the Rotary Peace Centers, as well as more matched contributions to help eradicate polio, thanks to our partnership with the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation.

The Rotary Foundation is a powerful force that efficiently carries out impactful and sustainable projects around the world; Charity Navigator has recognized The Rotary Foundation with a four-star rating annually for 13 consecutive years. All Rotary members can be proud of this. And how great it would be if all Rotarians would support the Foundation in whatever way they could.

I have a simple request this month. Please take 10 minutes during your next club meeting to discuss ways to get more involved in the Foundation this year. It could be planning an online fundraiser to benefit the Foundation or partnering with other clubs for a global grant project.

Whatever you do, remember that our members — all of us — drive Rotary's efforts and sustain our Foundation.

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