



## ROTARY INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT 7930 FUTURE VISION SURVEY JANUARY 2010

### OVERVIEW

As all of you are aware, in June 2009 we received word that D7930 was one of the 100 Districts from around the world selected to participate in the Future Vision Pilot for the Rotary Foundation. Not since the creation of the 3H grants has there been such a dramatic change in how our Foundation operates. But unlike the creation of the 3H grants, the Future Vision plan has been developed over a period of years with input from Rotarians as to how or Foundation should look in the future. As one of the Pilot Districts, we have the unique opportunity to provide feedback on just how well that plan was developed and before it becomes the "way our Foundation does business in over 500 districts" we get to make the plan even better.

Something that I have realized over the past few years is that the decisions regarding most of the Foundation activities in D7930 were left to a few individuals. Those in the District Governor track, a few Past District Governors, Rotarians who had figured out the system and were motivated by a personal project and/or those who had not figured out the system but were passionate about completing a project. As a result, we have completed some very important projects and activities, however we don't always have lasting results and when the year is over we move on to something new.

So as a result of this once in a lifetime opportunity to be part of the Future Vision pilot, I have decided to start our "new way of doing business" by finding out what the members of clubs in D7930 want to focus on and how you want to see our Foundation dollars put to work. Therefore, the survey that I'm asking you to complete will help shape our future Foundation projects, programs and giving and help us be more transparent in regard to how those decisions are made.

I promise to share the results of the survey at the District Assembly and through the e-newsletter, so that everyone knows the results and how we are going to move forward in the future.

### DIRECTIONS

Please fill out the following survey and return to me at **NE Multi-District PETS in Nashua, NH on March 13<sup>th</sup>**. I would encourage you to complete the survey as part of a Club Assembly or a Board of Director's Meeting. Do your very best to fill out this survey with someone else!

If you have any questions you can reach me at the following:

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603-430-5466 (home)

[iphelps7930@comcast.net](mailto:iphelps7930@comcast.net)

603-770-5105 (cell)

Please remember that the *Future of Rotary is in Yours Hands* and that we are about to start *Building Communities and Bridging Continents!*

*Return to DRFC Julia at PETS in March!*

## D7930 FUTURE VISION SURVEY

Name of Club: \_\_\_\_\_

Please indicate who was involved in the completion of this survey:

\_\_\_\_\_ The survey was completed at a club assembly and the club talked about the questions and gave input.

\_\_\_\_\_ The survey was completed by the Board of Directors.

\_\_\_\_\_ The survey was completed by the president-elect after talking with some members.

\_\_\_\_\_ The survey was completed in another manner, please explain (on back).

### PRIORITY AREAS

Under the new Foundation plan, the Trustees have established six Areas of Focus.

Please rank order (from 1 to 6) where you think D7930 should put their energies:

- \_\_\_\_\_ Peace & conflict prevention/resolution
- \_\_\_\_\_ Disease prevention & treatment
- \_\_\_\_\_ Water and sanitation
- \_\_\_\_\_ Maternal & child health
- \_\_\_\_\_ Basic education & literacy
- \_\_\_\_\_ Economic & community development

Yes or No Do you think we should focus on the top 3 areas?

Yes or No Do you think we should focus on these areas for a minimal number of years and then move to another area(s) of focus?

If yes, how long should we stay focused on particular area(s), in years?  
\_\_\_\_\_ 2-3 yrs \_\_\_\_\_ 3-5 yrs \_\_\_\_\_ 5-7 yrs \_\_\_\_\_ 10+ yrs

Yes or No Should we focus on specific regions of the world?

If yes, please rank order the regions of the world that you think we should focus on, in order of priority (these are areas of the world that are Future Vision Districts and we are restricted to working in these Districts for the next 3 years, after that we can go anywhere)

- \_\_\_\_\_ North America/Canada
- \_\_\_\_\_ Central America
- \_\_\_\_\_ South America
- \_\_\_\_\_ Europe
- \_\_\_\_\_ Middle East
- \_\_\_\_\_ Africa
- \_\_\_\_\_ Asia / Pacific Islands
- \_\_\_\_\_ Australia/New Zealand

Yes or No

Do you think there are specific activities/projects we could undertake in the District to increase our giving to the Annual Fund (this is the money, 50%, that comes back to us in the form of DDF)? If yes, please share ideas in the on the back of this survey.

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## DISTRIBUTION OF DISTRICT DESIGNATED FUNDS (DDF)

- Yes or No Do you think we should evenly split our DDF into 50% for district grants and 50% for global grants?
- Yes or No Do you think we should poll our District members every year to determine how we split-up our DDF (we can never have more than 50% for district grants).
- Yes or No Should the amount of money a club contributes to the Foundation impact the decision as to whether or not a club can receive either a district grant or a global grant?

**DISTRICT GRANT PRIORITIES** *(These are smaller grants & we will oversee them completely – this money comes to us as a block grant from TRF once a year. This coming year the maximum amount (50%) of DDF that we have is \$59,341.82)*

- Yes or No Do you think district grants should be limited to projects in our own District?
- Yes or No Do you think we should have some district grants that are international projects?
- Yes or No Do you think we should continue to put 20% of our DDF aside for smaller grants (\$1,000 - \$2,500) for local grants to be completed in our District?
- Yes or No Do you think we should allocate money for Rotarians in our District to travel on National Immunization Days (NIDs) for Polio?
- Yes or No Do you think we should allocate a sum of money for a team of Rotarians to travel to another Pilot District to explore possible projects that we could complete together over a period of time? Similar to Rotary Volunteer Grants.
- Yes or No Do you think we should continue to sponsor Cultural Grants for 3 or 6 months? (approximately \$10,000).
- Yes or No Do you think we should continue to sponsor an Ambassadorial Scholarship(s), (approximately \$20,000 - \$25,000).

Please rank order (from 1 to 6) where you think D7930 should focus the spending of district grant money:

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- \_\_\_\_\_ Maternal & child health
- \_\_\_\_\_ Basic education & literacy
- \_\_\_\_\_ Economic & community development

**GLOBAL GRANT PRIORITIES** *(These are larger grants, a minimum of \$30,000 – DDF and or cash – with a match from the World Fund (as long as there are monies in the World Fund). Grants must be in one of the six Areas of Focus. This year we have a minimum of \$59,341.82 this is 50% of our DDF).*

Please rank order (from 1 to 6) where you think D7930 should focus the spending of global grant money:

- \_\_\_\_\_ Peace & conflict prevention/resolution
- \_\_\_\_\_ Disease prevention & treatment
- \_\_\_\_\_ Water and sanitation
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Yes or No Would your club be interested in participating in a pre-packaged international humanitarian grant created by TRF? Your club would supply human resources to do the work and funding.

Is there anything additional thoughts, ideas or suggestions that you would like to share with the District Foundation Committee? Please do so below?

Do you have any specific questions regarding the Future Vision Plan?

There will be specific training for presidents-elect and additional club members in order to become a qualified club, which will allow you to receive funding from the Foundation. You will be receiving more details regarding that training in the next week or so. *Thank you* for taking the time to complete this survey and share your thoughts and ideas with the District Foundation Committee.

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