



END POLIO NOW

Mountainside



Rotary was founded in Chicago in 1905 by Paul Harris and a handful of other businessmen. What began as a small business networking group that would also perform community service has grown to more than 1.2 million members in over 200 countries. In 1928, the Rotary Foundation was established to fund various good works performed by Rotarians both locally and worldwide. Whether large or small, projects may be eligible for grants from the Rotary Foundation.

The Mountainside Rotary Club was established in 1961. The Mountainside Rotary Club constructed the bus shelter on Route 22 in front of the Municipal Building. The Club has provided college scholarships to Mountainside resident H.S. graduates, leadership training to selected students, distributed dictionaries and thesauruses for grade school children, purchased computers for the schools and much, much more. With other Clubs in a joint project, the Mountainside Rotary Club provided funds for libraries to be built in Nepal. Members have supported the funding of successful sustainable improvements to the infrastructure, water quality, sanitation and education in parts of Ecuador.

In 1979, Rotary International began the effort to eradicate Polio from the world. With the support of over 1 billion dollars raised and Rotarians personally traveling to inoculate children, reported cases have declined from 3000/day to only 181 worldwide last year.

Though it is a service organization, at its heart Rotary is still a networking group. Members traveling throughout the U.S. and the world can visit a local Rotary Club to meet others. Any where there is a Rotary Club, members from other clubs are always welcomed.

*Those considering membership are also always welcome. To find out more, contact:
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