



## SERVICE AWARD FOR A POLIO-FREE WORLD

### Criteria and Guidelines

**Purpose of the Award:** This award was established by the trustees of the Rotary Foundation to recognize outstanding contributions to the effort by Rotarians and thereby to encourage final efforts.

**Service to be Recognized:** Active personal service is required by the prospective recipient of the award. Personal financial contributions, however noteworthy, are not a basis for the award. Outstanding service in the field of advocacy, however, is not precluded as a consideration for the award. Fundraising efforts that support Rotary's PolioPlus program may be considered in the evaluation of nominees for the award.

**Period of Service:** Service which has occurred since 1 November 1992 is recognizable.

**Number and Distribution of Awards:** Regional awards, for outstanding service solely or primarily within a World Health Organization (WHO) region, will be made annually, not to exceed 60 per year. WHO regions are Africa, Americas, Eastern Mediterranean, Europe, Southeast Asia and Western Pacific. International Awards, for broad service to the cause of polio eradication, will also be made annually, not to exceed ten individuals. A Rotarian may receive only one of each award. Prior receipt of a regional award is not a condition, nor does it preclude, consideration for the international award.

**Persons Eligible: Any Rotarian is eligible except:**

- Current and incoming trustees of The Rotary Foundation, current and incoming directors of Rotary International, current members of the International PolioPlus Committee, and current and incoming district governors are not eligible to receive either of these awards.
- Rotarians who have previously received either the regional or international award are ineligible for the regional award.

**Award Approval:** Regional awards will be made by the trustee chair upon recommendation by the International PolioPlus Committee (IPPC) which may consider the views of National PolioPlus Committee chairs.

International awards will be made by the trustees upon recommendation by the IPPC.

Any Rotarian may initiate a recommendation for a Rotarian to receive either award. To assist reviewers in assessing nominations, full explanations and details of the reasons for the award are appreciated.