

## OPPORTUNITIES TO

# Contribute

The International Foundation is the driving force that raises funds to advance programs developed by Kiwanis International. The Kiwanis International Foundation does not receive any portion of the monetary support provided to Kiwanis International in the form of dues, magazine subscriptions, or material purchases. In fact, kind-hearted giving is the Foundation's only means to perpetually serve children worldwide.

The need remains so please act now. Your help is crucial to ensuring children's needs are continually met. There are many ways to help.

### Tablet of Honor

The highest level of recognition offered by the Foundation honors deserving individuals, Kiwanis clubs, divisions, districts, or organizations that have exemplified dedicated service to Kiwanis, their club, community, or mankind. A minimum contribution of US\$2,000 is made in the name of the recipient(s).

### Founders Circle

An elite group of donors who contribute one gift or a series of gifts totaling US\$25,000 (or more) to the Foundation.

### The Heritage Society

Membership includes Kiwanians and friends who assist the work of the Foundation through future gifts such as bequests, trusts, annuities, or insurance.

### George F. Hixson Fellowship

Individuals establish membership through a US\$1,000 contribution or a minimum initial contribution of US\$200, pledging to contribute the balance over four years. Diamond-level status is attained by Hixson Fellows who make additional US\$1,000 contributions.

### Sustaining Donor Program

Kiwanians distinguish themselves as a Sustaining Donor by contributing yearly at a suggested giving amount.

### Kiwanis Children's Fund

The Kiwanis Children's Fund was created by the Foundation to provide individual Kiwanians an opportunity to make an annual gift, with 100 percent of the proceeds from these funds going toward the Foundation's efforts in serving children around the Kiwanis world.

### Skip-a-Meal

Kiwanians and non-Kiwanians send the cost equivalency of just one meal to help fund numerous programs that directly benefit children. Monetary support helps fund the growing number of grants provided through the Kiwanis Children's Fund.

### Kiwanis Leadership Society

Through a US\$100 contribution, this program provides Kiwanis clubs, divisions, and districts an opportunity to recognize deserving individuals for leadership accomplishments and service to the Kiwanis family.

### Memorials and Tributes

Memorial and tribute gifts honor special people, events, and occasions in our lives. Whether it is the celebration of a birthday, wedding anniversary, the life of someone significant who has passed, or any momentous happening in life. The Kiwanis International Foundation processes all Memorial and/or Tribute Program funds and sends 50 percent of the monies received to the contributing donor's district foundation on a regular basis.

### The Annual Club Gift Campaign

The Annual Club Gift Campaign is conducted between October 1 and September 30 each year to provide the Foundation with its primary source of unrestricted income. These funds help determine which programs the Foundation can support.

### Robert P. Connelly Award for Heroism

This award is given in honor of Robert P. Connelly, a fellow Kiwanian who gave his life attempting to save the life of another. The award is given to individuals who, like Connelly, put their own life at risk for the sake of another.

### Honor Club Banner Recognition

The Honor Club Banner recognizes clubs that excel in supporting the Worldwide Service Project through contributions to the Heritage Society, Tablet of Honor, and/or George F. Hixson Fellowship program.

### President's Advisory Cabinet

Membership qualifications include: a Tablet of Honor recipient, membership in the Heritage Society, the George F. Hixson Fellowship, and the Founders Circle.

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The International Foundation provides significant financial support to other Kiwanis programs, such as:

- More than 100 matching scholarships for Key Club and Circle K.
- Key Club, Circle K, Builders Club, and K-Kids service initiative training video.
- Builders Club Leadership Recognition Award for each district.
- Annual World Service Medal Recipient grant.
- Robert P. Connelly Heroism Medals and US Savings Bonds.
- Disaster relief.

THE NEED CONTINUES

# ACT NOW.

Providing worldwide grants,  
Kiwanis-family scholarships, and disaster relief,  
as we serve the children of the world.



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## A CASE FOR *Support*

The Kiwanis International Foundation was established as a legal entity in 1939. When Kiwanis International celebrated its 25th anniversary one year later, Kiwanian Walter Zeller donated 25 silver dollars in hopes they would be auctioned to provide a “nest egg” for the International Foundation. Thankfully, that nest egg netted US\$625 and the Foundation’s worldwide service began.

From those humble beginnings, the Kiwanis International Foundation has grown to a multimillion-dollar foundation, providing grants to thousands of organizations aimed at improving the lives of children worldwide. Thus, its mission—To assist Kiwanis International in serving the children of the world—is its priority.

Children are the Foundation’s first concern, and to date the Kiwanis International Foundation has awarded more than US\$73 million to directly help children lead healthier and happier lives.

## MEETING THE NEEDS OF *Children* AROUND THE WORLD

Our challenges and opportunities are many. Despite worldwide advances in technology, medicine, and infrastructure, children are going to sleep each night without their basic physiological needs being met. Children throughout the world suffer from hunger, abuse, neglect, and improper or substandard medical care. The Kiwanis International Foundation has the opportunity and responsibility to unite the members of the Kiwanis family so that together we can address these issues and ease the suffering of children around the world.

Every member of the Kiwanis family is a member of the Kiwanis International Foundation and through each person’s continuous support it provides grants to organizations that strive to improve children’s lives. Below is a sampling of recently awarded grants:

- **Jean Dean Reading is Fundamental Program, Alabama District Foundation:** Provides quality, age-appropriate books to at-risk young children ages 0-5.
- **“Key Club Study Abroad” (KCSA) scholarship program with AYUSA:** Provides eligible Key Club members from across Key Club International districts with additional financial support to study abroad.
- **Kiwanis Club of Escondido, California After-school Computer Education (ACE) project:** Provides tuition funds for Advancement Via Individual Determination (AVID) students between the ages of 13 and 15 who come from economically stressed families.
- **Kiwanis Club of Madison East, Madison, Wisconsin; Kedzi School Relocation Project, Ghana, West Africa:** To relocate and refurbish Kedzi School to an area that is protected from flooding and erosion.
- **Kiwanis Club of Ramona, California: Romanian Trade School Project for Romanian orphans:** To teach orphaned Romanian children trades to aid in job placement upon leaving state-run orphanages.
- **Kiwanis Club of Worcester, Massachusetts, Injury Free Coalition for Kids:** An interdisciplinary team that focuses on decreasing pediatric traumas and educating the families and children in prevention techniques.
- **Disaster Relief** to assist people recovering from earthquakes, hurricanes, floods, tornadoes and other devastation.

## SUPPORTING THE *Kiwanis family*

The Kiwanis International Foundation is proud to assist Circle K International and Key Club International in developing their youth funds, scholarships, and grant programs. Donations to these programs honor clubs and/or individuals who make significant contributions to the Kiwanis family. In fact, more than 100 matching scholarships for Key Club and Circle K are awarded each year.

### Circle K International Programs

The **Tomorrow Fund** is intended to further the purpose of Circle K International. As the fund grows, a grant program will be developed to help fund Circle K projects serving their communities and scholarships for Circle K members.

The **Carthage-Pullman Society** membership is obtained by making a US\$250 tax-deductible contribution to the Kiwanis International Foundation. Donors receive a plaque, medallion, a lapel pin, and their names permanently inscribed in the official Circle K International records. Members who make additional US\$250 tax-deductible contributions attain diamond-level status.

The **Sapphire Circle Honorary** is the highest level of recognition offered by the Circle K International Tomorrow Fund. A minimum contribution of US\$1,000 is required. Recipients receive an attractive acrylic award for their participation.

### Key Club International Programs

The **Youth Opportunities Fund** allows Key Club to maintain a grant program that helps fund Key Club projects that serve their communities and funds scholarships for Key Club members.

The **G. Harold Martin Fellowship** membership is obtained by making a US\$250 tax-deductible contribution to the Kiwanis International Foundation. Donors at this level receive a plaque, medallion, lapel pin and their names permanently inscribed in the official Key Club International records. Members who make additional US\$250 tax-deductible contributions attain diamond-level status.

## KIWANIS INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION

# *Request Form*

### Please send further information about:

- Tablet of Honor
- Founders Circle
- The Heritage Society
- George F. Hixson Fellowship
- Sustaining Donor Program
- Kiwanis Children’s Fund
- Skip-a-Meal Program
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- Annual Club Gift Campaign
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- Honor Club Banner Program
- President’s Advisory Cabinet
- President’s Advisory Council
- Grant application and guidelines
- Kiwanis International Foundation marketing video
- Other \_\_\_\_\_

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