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Subject: Rotary 5k Polio event October 19, 2024
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To: Board of Directors, Cambria Community Services District
From: Bruce Howard, International Chair, Rotary Club of Cambria

Re: Rotary 'END POLIO NOW' 5k event October 19, 2024

Dear Board members:

Our Rotary Club of Cambria is hosting our second 'END POLIO NOW' 5k event on October 19, 2024 at Shamel Park here in Cambria. Our inaugural event was last year, on October 14, 2023. World Polio Day this year is on Thursday, October 24th. (Please note that when Rotary began this project in the 1985 at the behest of Dr. Albert Sabin, the doctor who created the OPV, Oral Polio Vaccine. IN 1985 there were 350,000+ new cases in the world each year. As of August 29 of this year there have been 33 reported cases in the world. We (WHO and Rotary International) have just received approval from the Israeli and Hamas governments to allow three separate temporary cease fires, 3 days each, to allow for vaccination teams to go into war-torn Gaza to immunize the 650,000 children in that area who would otherwise have no access to routine immunization.)

We began our approval process for this year's event in June of this year, contacting our insurance carrier for the Event COI, the County of San Luis Obispo for all necessary Event and Park approvals, the EMT's and ambulance who will be on site at Shamel Park, and CCSD General Manager Matthew McElhenie and Cambria Fire Chief Michael Burkey, all the same process as we did last year. We replicated last year's process exactly.

We have just been informed that there are additional requirements for this event, these requests from Miriam Torres, CCSD Administrative Technician and Kitty Connolly, Executive Director of the Friends of the Fiscalini Ranch Preserve. Of course our Rotary Club of Cambria is more than willing to cooperate in any way necessary to make this event a success, but we are puzzled by these last minute requests as we started this process in June of this year. To be clear, the event will be held at Shamel Park. The participants start at the Park, traverse the Ranch, and culminate at the Park. All event activities are at the Park. We wanted only to traverse the Ranch, instead of using County streets, to make it safer for our participants. Last year I believe we had only 20 or so participants. We hope for more this year, of course. So far I believe we have 12 participants signed up. Again, we will do whatever is required of us to satisfy any and all governmental and non-governmental agencies. We live here also, this is our town also, and we want to do everything possible to keep our event safe and legal. If there is a concern about groups of people traversing the Ranch, we can time each group and limit each group to less than 25 participants. (We hope to get to 25 participants!) We are just puzzled by these last-minute requests, but again, whatever is required of us please know that we will happily comply.

I will be at the Board meeting today to bring this to the Board's attention in person.

Thank you in advance.

Sincerely,

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5K Walk or Run the Cambria Coast to Help Eradicate Polio

October 19, 2024

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The Cambria Rotary Club is asking you to Help us raise vital funds that will eradicate and prepare us for a Polio free world.

The event is a 5K Walk or Run, which is the equivalent of 3 miles, and we are going to be traversing Fiscalini Ranch, from Shamel Park. Outstanding ocean views as you walk with family and friends.

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For each \$1 you donate to eradicate polio, the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation donates \$2. Your donation of \$25 becomes \$75 and 25 of the world's most vulnerable children can be protected from polio. Thank you for your generosity and support. Together we end polio.



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Written Public Correspondence

First Name:	Lauren
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Written Correspondence:	<p>Its important that Cambrians feel that they are heard. To relegate written comments only to the website rather than read them at the beginning of each CCSD meeting is a small, but effective assault on information sharing for our community. If we take the time to tune in, we want the whole story. If we cannot tune in, it's good that you put</p>

the questions on the website. But remove written statements from the actual meeting and you've squashed speech and communication. Not everyone is comfortable speaking live at a meeting, so quit eliminating our ability to comment in writing in real time.

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Why was the policy changed not to read the comments at the meetings but instead post them on the website??

Thanks, Steve



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Bullet Points for Rotary International's Polio Eradication Project

- In 1916 there was a polio endemic in New York State.
- Dr. Jonas Salk develops the first vaccine against polio, an injectable inactivated (dead) polio vaccine (IPV) in 1954.
- Dr. Albert Sabin develops the live oral vaccine (OPV) in 1961.
- Rotary's involvement with Polio eradication began in 1979 with a five year commitment to provide and help deliver polio vaccine to six million children in the Philippines. It was the first project of Rotary International's new 3H Grant (Health, Hunger and Humanity Program). It worked! Polio was eradicated from the Philippines.
- Dr. Sabin speaks at the 1980 Rotary International Convention highlighting the 3H Grants success in eradicating polio in the Philippines.
- In the early 1980's Rotary International began planning for the most ambitious program in its history – and arguably in the history of mankind. Carlos Consecro – the Rotary International President from 1984 – 1985 – is considered the father of Rotary's Polio Eradication Project. In 1985, based on its success in the Philippines, Rotary was issued a challenge from Dr. Albert Sabin, the developer of the Oral Polio Vaccine: to eliminate polio from the face of the Earth... and Rotary accepted that challenge. The PolioPlus Program was launched in 1985. Rotary pledged to raise \$120 million to fund the PolioPlus Program. This was announced in October 1985 at the 40th anniversary of the United Nations. Rotary stood alone in the world with PolioPlus.
- Dr. Sabin speaks at the Rotary International Convention in 1985 when the Rotary Polio Plus Program was announced.
- By 1988 Rotary International had raised US\$247 million and the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) joined the Program in that year. The World Health Organization was also approached AFTER that money was raised and they also agreed to join in with Rotary's PolioPlus Program. Also joining up at that time was the United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. This partnership (Rotary International, UNICEF, WHO and CDC) formed the basis for the Global Polio Eradication Initiative, created in 1988. Also in 1988 the World Health Assembly passes a resolution to eradicate polio.
- That goal in 1988 became a promise that Rotary gave to the world... to eradicate polio from the Earth. And that promise came with a goal... to complete the task by 2005, the 100th anniversary of Rotary International. We made significant progress, but we did not meet that deadline.
- In 1988 there were 350,000 new cases of polio in the world each year, in 134 countries.
- In 1991 the Western Hemisphere is declared polio-free.
- In 1995 Rotarians immunize 165 million children in a single week in India and China. The Global Polio Initiative partners utilize a new strategy, called National Immunization Days (NIDs), wherein all children in a given country 5 years or under are immunized at the same time
- In 1996 150 countries in the world are polio-free. In that same year Nelson Mandela launches "Kick Polio out of Africa", the eradication project on the continent.
- In 2000 550 million children receive OPV. The Western Pacific Region, Australia to China, is pronounced polio-free.
- In 2003 only 7 countries in the world remain polio endemic (never having interrupted the transmission of the Wild Polio Virus (WPV).
- In 2004 the partners coordinate a synchronized campaign to immunize 80 million children in 23 countries in Africa. Nigeria accounts for 77% of the total new reported cases of WPV in the world, 763 cases.
- In 2024 only 2 polio endemic countries remain in the world – Pakistan and Afghanistan.
- To date (September 12, 2024) there have been 33 cases reported worldwide, including Pakistan and Afghanistan.
- To date Rotary has raised over US\$2 billion!
- 2 billion children have received the OPV vaccine since the start of PolioPlus and will NEVER feel the effects of this dreaded disease!
- We are currently preventing 500,000 new cases a year... ½ million children each and every year who will be able to walk and lead normal lives!
- 20 million children in the world today do not have paralysis because of this PolioPlus project.
- We now have a new OPV (Oral Polio Vaccine) so there will no longer be vaccine derived polio!