

ROTARY CANCER WELFARE FUND

The Rotary Cancer Welfare Fund under The Kuala Lumpur Rotary Charity Foundation was initiated during PP Datuk Chan Kam Fatt's year as President of the Rotary Club of Kuala Lumpur DiRaja, in the Rotary year 2012 – 2013. Under an MOU signed with Tung Shin Hospital, Beacon Hospital and Cancer Research Initiatives Malaysia, the fund will be able to give Aids and Grants to the many Needy Cancer Patients that come to them. We have now seen five 5 years of this project successfully supported by each of the presidents who have followed Past President Datuk Chan Kam Fatt initiation of the fund.

The fund was set up to provide Financial Grant and support up to RM25,000 each to poor and needy cancer patients and their families who have faced difficulties in meeting the costs of the healthcare treatments needed. With the setup of this fund five years ago, many patients and their families have benefited from the financial support offered. As well as the funds helping patients with their treatments, their families have also benefited from financial assistance with living costs, education for the patient's children, and housing rentals. For donations to The Rotary Cancer Welfare Fund to help the Needy Cancer Sufferers, please write your payment to "**The Kuala Lumpur Rotary Charity Foundation**" for which a Tax Exempt Receipt will be issued.

With the ideals of Rotary, assisting the less privileged in the community, particularly those who have been diagnosed with cancer, is second nature to the Rotarians. To see the results of extending financial support to these patients and their families has made all the energy extended most worthwhile, whilst bringing the opportunity of treatment and support to the family's challenges of daily living ever closer.

Cancer has always brought fear and a sense of loss, but the efforts of the Rotary Cancer Welfare Fund, managed by a dedicated committee, has brought some light to this dark world which the patients and their families find themselves in. It is often seen that cancer patients suddenly become immersed in a clinical and social quandary, divided between the clinical needs and challenges for the treatment and its costs, and the welfare of the family in such difficult time, particularly when the word **cancer** is mentioned and there is an immediate sense of **'all is lost'**.

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