

## ***Vancouver Rotary Foundation***

The Vancouver Rotary Foundation exists to foster, develop, promote, and encourage the health, education, and general welfare of the residents of Vancouver and Clark County.

## ***Vancouver Rotary Club***

Rotary is a service club. Its business is mankind. Its product is service. Rotarians provide community service to both local and international communities. This is perhaps the best reason for becoming a Rotarian: the chance to do something for somebody else and to sense the self-fulfillment that comes in the process and return of that satisfaction to one's own life.

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## ***Alexa Dyer Life Challenge Award***

***Vancouver Rotary Foundation  
Vancouver Rotary Club***

*by visiting our website at:*

[www.vancouver-rotary.org](http://www.vancouver-rotary.org)

***An application can be obtained from  
your referring health care  
professional or organization  
or contact:***

### ***Alexa Dyer Life Challenge Award Committee***

Vancouver Rotary Foundation  
PO Box 1000  
Vancouver, WA 98666

Or

[jenniferl@murdock-trust.org](mailto:jenniferl@murdock-trust.org)

### **Questions?**

Contact Jennifer Larson at  
(360) 694-8415



***Reaching out to  
Greater  
Vancouver area  
families whose  
child faces a  
terminal illness.***

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## ***Alexa Dyer Life Challenge Award Guidelines***

The Vancouver Rotary Club established the *Alexa Dyer Life Challenge Award* in 2001 in honor of Alexa Dyer, daughter of Russ and Michele Dyer. **Alexa** was a delightful child who **touched the hearts** of all who knew or met her. In December of 1999, Alexa was diagnosed with a malignant brain tumor on her 1<sup>st</sup> birthday. Beating the odds, Alexa outlived the doctors' prognosis and her **brave** battle with cancer ended on February 7, 2001. Where there is great love, there are always **miracles**.

One of the purposes of this very special fund is to raise money and in-kind contributions to **support children** and their families in situations where a child is facing a terminal illness. The fund is a donor specified fund within the Vancouver Rotary Foundation, in which **awards** are approved by the Alexa Dyer Life Challenge Award Committee.

The **main focus** of this fund is to help families in the Greater Vancouver area with a child who is facing a terminal illness, and where the family is in need of financial assistance due to that illness.

## ***Criteria for Participation***

- Child has been diagnosed with a terminal illness
- Child resides in the Greater Vancouver area
- Family has financial need due to illness
- Child is supported by a physician, Medicare, or medical support agency such as hospice

## ***Referring Organizations***

- Doernbecher Children's Hospital
- Legacy Emanuel Children's Hospital
- Dr. Monica Webby, M.D.  
Microneurosurgical Consultants P.P.
- Southwest Washington Medical Center
- Hospice Northwest
- Stepping Stones Grief & Bereavement Center
- Vancouver Rotary Club

## ***Process***

- The family in need of financial assistance due to illness of child is referred or applies themselves.
- An application is submitted to the Alexa Dyer Life Challenge Award Committee for review.
- The application can be obtained from a referring health care professional or by contacting us at the address or e-mail on the back of this brochure.
- The Committee determines whether to approve the request for funding. If approved, funds will be distributed appropriately.
- If the request is not approved, the family will be contacted by mail.
- A member of the Committee will make follow-up contact with the family.

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