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## **Rotary commits funds to polio outbreak response in Gaza**

The detection of poliovirus in Gaza, including a case in a 10-month-old child, highlights the ongoing global threat of polio.

The crisis in Gaza has reduced immunization rates and hindered disease surveillance, increasing the risk of outbreaks.

WHO considers there to be a high risk of spread within Gaza and internationally.

A two-round vaccination campaign began on September 1st during a humanitarian pause, with initial reports indicating strong commitment and community participation.

Rotary has committed US\$500,000 to support this initiative through a Polio Outbreak Response Fund, continuing its partnership with the Global Polio Eradication Initiative.

The organization emphasizes that financial contributions to the PolioPlus fund are crucial in achieving a polio-free world and protecting children from paralysis.

