

# ROTARY CLUB OF SINGAPORE

WHO WE ARE

Rotary  
Club of Singapore



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Heard about Rotary Club but don't know what exactly we do? Here is a brief overview.



# ROTARY INTERNATIONAL

1.4 MILLION MEMBERS  
46,000+ CLUBS  
200 COUNTRIES

Rotary is a global network of **1.4 million** neighbors, friends, leaders, and problem-solvers who see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change – across the globe, in our communities, and in ourselves.

Solving real problems takes real commitment and vision. For **more than 115 years**, Rotary's people of action have used their passion, energy, and intelligence to take action on sustainable projects. From literacy and peace to water and health, we are always working to better our world, and we stay committed to the end.

## WE ARE PEOPLE OF ACTION

We connect passionate people with diverse perspectives to exchange ideas, forge lifelong friendships, and, above all, take action to change the world.

## WE ARE COMMUNITY BUILDERS

We collaborate with community leaders who want to get to work on projects that have a real, lasting impact on people's lives.

## WE ARE PROBLEM-SOLVERS

Together, we apply our professional experience and personal commitment to tackle our communities' most persistent problems, finding new, effective ways to enhance health, stability, and prosperity across the globe.

"Whatever Rotary may mean to us, to the world it will be known by the results it achieves."

Paul Harris, Rotary founder

## WHAT WE DO

Our motto, **SERVICE ABOVE SELF**, embodies our humanitarian spirit. Rotary's Avenues of Service guide our activities:

- **Promoting peace**, encouraging dialogue to foster understanding within and across cultures
- **Fighting disease**, educating and equipping communities to stop the spread of life-threatening or preventable diseases
- **Providing clean water**, building local solutions to bring clean water and sanitation services
- **Saving mothers and children**, expanding access to quality care, so mothers and children can live and grow stronger
- **Supporting education**, expanding access to education and empowering educators to inspire more children and adults to learn
- **Growing local economies**, creating opportunities for individuals and communities to thrive financially
- **Protect the environment**, activities that strengthen the conservation and protection of natural resources, advance ecological sustainability, and foster harmony between communities and the environment.
- **Disaster response**, projects to support every phase of a community's recovery
- **Eradicating polio**, uniting the world to end polio, once and for all

# ROTARY CLUB OF SINGAPORE

Rotary Club of Singapore is the oldest and largest Rotary Club in Singapore. We turned 93 on 6th June 2023.

Over the past 93 years, the Club has undertaken many projects locally and internationally for the needy, less able and marginalised sectors of the community. On the domestic front, we established then much needed institutions which have become independent, turned over to the government or were no longer needed.

These include Singapore Anti-Tuberculosis Association (SATA), the Anti-TB Clinic in Tan Tock Seng Hospital, The Deaf & Dumb Association, Salvation Army Girls' Home, Singapore Association for Retarded Children (SARC), Singapore Leprosy Relief Association, The Handicapped Welfare Association, Kidney Dialysis Foundation, Singapore After Care Association (SACS), Singapore Anti-Narcotics Association (SANA), The Society for the Aged Sick, Samaritans of Singapore.

The Club's international projects have built the Singapore brand as a contributor to major educational, medical, poverty alleviation and catastrophic reconstruction and assistance in India (7 eye hospitals, children's heart surgeries), Indonesia (educational and water projects), the Philippines (dental cleft lip, gynaecological training, reconstruction), Nepal (reconstruction), and Nigeria (limbs replacement). These international projects are mainly carried out with the cooperation and funding from the local Rotary Clubs, District 3310 Funds and The Rotary Foundation.

Rotary Club of Singapore is part of Rotary International District 3310 and the oldest of the 23 Rotary clubs in Singapore.

90+ YEARS HISTORY  
200+ MEMBERS  
28 NATIONALITIES  
18% WOMEN

## HOW WE DO IT

The Club is governed by an annually elected Board. Our activities are structured around these areas:

- Through **Club Service**, we have fun, build lasting friendships, and make sure that our club runs well.
- Through **Vocational Service**, we volunteer our professional skills to serve others and promote integrity in everything we do.
- Through **Community Service**, we address local needs and work with our community to bring lasting improvements.
- Through **International Service**, we meet humanitarian needs around the globe and promote world understanding and peace.
- Through **Youth Service**, we work with young people to help them become the next generation of leaders, visionaries, and peacemakers.

### WEEKLY MEETINGS

Our meetings occur every **Wednesday at 7:00 PM**, and feature a new speaker on topics of interest to Rotarians and our community.

In the aftermath of the COVID-19 pandemic, many of our meetings are also hybrid with a zoom option.



# THE ROTARY FOUNDATION



**END  
POLIO  
NOW**

The Rotary Foundation (TRF) is organized as a public charity operated exclusively for charitable purposes and governed by a Board of Trustees. The Foundation is supported solely by voluntary contributions from Rotary members and friends of the Foundation who share its vision of a better world. This support is essential to make possible projects, funded with Foundation grants, that bring sustainable improvement to communities in need.

The Rotary Foundation has received 14 consecutive 4-star ratings from Charity Navigator.

## POLIO ERADICATION

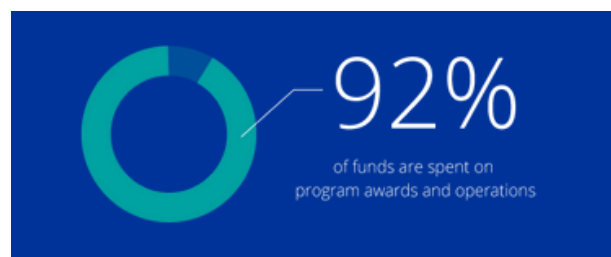
Polio eradication is Rotary's top philanthropic priority. As of 2019, Rotary's contributions to the global polio eradication effort, including matching funds from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, exceeded US\$2 bn.

## GLOBAL GRANTS

The Rotary Foundation offers grants that support a wide variety of projects, scholarships, and training undertaken by Rotary members around the world. Global grants have a minimum budget of US\$30,000 and are sponsored by two clubs or districts.

## FOUNDATION RECOGNITIONS

The Rotary Foundation offers numerous opportunities for individuals who support our grants and programs to receive recognition and appreciation.



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### GLOBAL GRANTS

Our club is one of most prolific clubs when it comes to Global Grants (GGs). As of 30 June 2023, we have **150** approved GGs with a total project value of **US\$10.33M across 21 countries**. 20 of these 150 GGs are COVID-19 Global Grants.

### FOUNDATION RECOGNITIONS

The members of the Rotary Club of Singapore have donated generously to The Rotary Foundation totaling **US\$3.98M as of 25 July 2023**. Some statistics are as follows:

**Paul Harris Fellow** - 417  
(contribution of US\$1,000 or more)

**Paul Harris Society** - 36  
(contribution of US\$1,000 or more every year)

**Major Donor** - 39  
(contribution of US\$10,000 - US\$249,999)

**Arch Klumph Society** - 3  
(contribution of US\$250,000 and more)

**Average Annual Fund Contributions over the past 3 years (2020-2023):**  
US\$197,000

**Average Total TRF Contributions over the past 3 years (2020-2023):**  
US\$695,000

**Annual Fund per Capita 3-year average:**  
US\$1,150

# OUR GUIDING PRINCIPLES



## THE FOUR-WAY TEST

The Four-way Test underscores our commitment to integrity. Of the things we think, say or do:

1. Is it the **TRUTH**?
2. Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?
3. Will it build **GOODWILL** and **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?
4. Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?



## THE GUIDE TO DAILY LIVING

Before doing the things we want to do, consider first, the precepts of the guide. Ask ourselves these 4 questions and act upon them:

**First:** Have I spent some time in self-examination?

**Second:** Have I spent quality time with my family?

**Third:** Have I given my best to my work?

**Fourth:** Have I given some time to someone near and far?

The Guide, in fact, encompasses the 4 parts of the Object of Rotary





# HOW YOU CAN GET INVOLVED WITH ROTARY AS A MEMBER

## VOLUNTEER YOUR SKILLS

- Serve on a club committee.
- Talk to club members about where your expertise is most needed.
- Attend your club's next assembly and help plan club activities.

## IMPROVE YOUR COMMUNITY

- Volunteer to help with the club's projects.
- Work with a youth program sponsored by the club.
- Identify a need in your community and suggest a hands-on project that addresses this need.

## BUILD YOUR NETWORK

- Connect with people from varied professions in club meetings and fellowship events.
- Learn from high profile speakers and share your knowledge.
- Network with Rotarians across the world through Rotary International Convention.
- Attend meetings in any part of the world.

## DONATE GENEROUSLY

- Join hands with other Rotarians to make an impact in your community and internationally.

**Your time, energy, and a passion to improve your world are all you need to get involved with Rotary.**

Become one of Rotary's people of action – whatever your age or interest – if you want to improve lives in communities near and far, and build friendships for a lifetime.

Connect with us at Rotary Club of Singapore to find out how you can get involved.

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