



Rotary Club of Flint fact sheet

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Who we are

Rotary is a global network of 1.2 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.

Our beginnings

For more than 114 years, Rotary members have been addressing challenges around the world.

Grassroots at the core, Rotary links 1.2 million members to form an organization of international scope. It started with the vision of one man — Paul Harris. The Chicago attorney formed the Rotary Club of Chicago on 23 February 1905, so professionals with diverse backgrounds could exchange ideas, form meaningful, lifelong friendships, and give back to their communities.

Rotary's name came from the group's early practice of rotating meetings among the offices of its members.

What we do

Rotary members believe that we have a shared responsibility to take action on our world's most persistent issues. Our 35,000+ clubs work together to:

- Promote peace
- Fight disease including the eradication of Polio worldwide
- Provide clean water, sanitation, and hygiene
- Save mothers and children
- Support education
- Grow local economies



We work differently

- We see differently: Our multidisciplinary perspective helps us see challenges in unique ways.
- We think differently: We apply leadership and expertise to social issues — and find unique solutions.
- We act responsibly: Our passion and perseverance create lasting change.
- We make a difference at home and around the world: Our members can be found in your community and across the globe.

Our local impact

The Rotary Club of Flint was founded in 1916 and has had thousands of members in its long tenure. Business leaders, community activists, and not-for profit professionals meet weekly for lunch to learn about our community, network and engage in the service projects of the club. Currently, with 121 members, it provides leadership development and service opportunities for young professionals. The financial impact has been over \$1,000,000 in project funding locally and internationally.

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Our Motto

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 Object of Rotary

is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise and, in particular, to encourage and foster:

FIRST: The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service;

SECOND: High ethical standards in business and professions; the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations; and the dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society;

THIRD: The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business, and community life;

FOURTH: The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.



AVENUES OF SERVICE

We channel our commitment to service through five Avenues of Service, which are the foundation of club activity.

- Club Service focuses on making clubs strong. A thriving club is anchored by strong relationships and an active membership development plan.
- Vocational Service calls on every Rotarian to work with integrity and contribute their expertise to the problems and needs of society. Learn more in An Introduction to Vocational Service and the Code of Conduct.
- Community Service encourages every Rotarian to find ways to improve the quality of life for people in their communities and to serve the public interest. Learn more in Communities in Action: A Guide to Effective Projects.
- International Service exemplifies our global reach in promoting peace and understanding. We support this service avenue by sponsoring or volunteering on international projects, seeking partners abroad, and more.
- Youth Service recognizes the importance of empowering youth and young professionals through leadership development programs such as Rotaract, Interact, Rotary Youth Leadership Awards, and Rotary Youth Exchange.

A sample of our local project partners

Flint Institute of Arts	Carriage Town Ministries
Flint Institute of Music	Catholic Charities Center for Hope
Cummins Great Expectations Early Childhood Center	Food Bank of Eastern Michigan
Brush Alley lighting project	Hurley Children's Center
Rotary Park	Automotive pioneers' statues
Mott Children's Health Center	Dyslexia Center
Avoidable Blindness project	The Flint Development Center

For additional information please visit our website at www.flintrotary.org or attend one of our meetings at the Food Bank of Eastern Michigan's Hunger Solution Center, 1938 Howard Avenue, Flint on Fridays at noon. You may also email our Club Administrator Amy van der Putte at amy.vanderputte@flintrotary.org.

