



Rotary Statements on Racism, Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion

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Rotarians connect people , transform communities, and solve problems. Our causes include promote peace, support education, grow local economies. The Mequon-Thiensville Sunrise Rotary Club will continue our commitment to fairness and justice . We are listening and are ready to adapt drawing upon our core values of service, fellowship, diversity, integrity, and leadership serving others and making communities better through that service.

We echo the words of Rotary International, who issued these statements:

At Rotary, we have no tolerance for racism. Promoting respect, celebrating diversity, demanding ethical leadership, and working tirelessly to advance peace are central tenets of our work. We have more work to do to create more just, open, and welcoming communities for all people. We know there are no easy fixes and that challenging conversations and work lie before all of us. Rotary's strength has long been our ability and commitment to bringing people together. We will tap into that strength now as we stand with those who are working for peace and justice. Rotary will do our part to listen, learn and take action to ensure that we continue to make positive change.

As a global network that strives to build a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change. Rotary values diversity and celebrates the contributions of people of all backgrounds, regardless of their age, ethnicity, race, color, abilities, religion, socioeconomic status, culture, sex, sexual orientation, and gender identity. Rotary will cultivate a diverse, equitable, and inclusive culture in which people from underrepresented groups have greater opportunities to participate as members and leaders. Making diversity, equity, and inclusion a priority is everyone's responsibility.