

Freeport Club Projects

Through fundraisers held throughout the year, the Club raises the funds necessary to support several Club projects and organizations in both the local and international communities. Many are listed here.

Local:

- Freeport Community Services (Fuel Fund, Annual Appeal, Summer Camp Scholarships, Adults in Need, Holiday Help Line, Food Pantry)
- Read to Succeed Daycare reading program
- Freeport Schools: College Scholarships, 3rd Grader Dictionaries, Vocational Choices Day, Job Shadowing Day, Rotary Youth Leadership Training, Rotary Interact Club
- Freeport Fire & Rescue
- Freeport Children's Library books
- Freeport Historical Society
- Freeport Elders
- Freeport/Pownal Little League Baseball
- Freeport Fourth of July Parade
- Good Shepherd Food Bank



International:

- Pure Water for the World, Santa Barbara, Honduras - water filters for 1,875 families
- Student Service Projects in Honduras
- Safe Passage, Guatemala City, Guatemala
- Lakeville Academy, Kenya, Africa
- Hurricane Katrina relief projects
- Sustainable Harvest International
- Asian Tsunami house rebuilding in India
- Kakamega Aids Orphanage, Kenya, Africa
- Friends Forever, Irish Student Exchange
- International Student Exchange
- International Group Study Exchange (most recently: Philippines, Switzerland, Turkey)
- Worldwide Polio Eradication efforts

How to Become a Member

Those who are interested in the ideals of Rotary and who are willing to do their share to make a difference in their club, vocation, community and the world are encouraged to join the Freeport Rotary Club. There are several ways to get started:

- Speak to any Rotarian at a Freeport Rotary event.
- Visit the Club at one of our weekly Wednesday morning meetings, 7AM to 8AM at the Harraseeket Inn, Main St., Freeport
- Call the current club President, Ranjit Gill at 207-865-3881 to find out how to get involved.
- Email questions to info@freeport-rotary.org

Join us at an upcoming meeting!

The Club meets weekly for breakfast to take care of club business, meet visitors from around the world, and interact with engaging speakers.

Meetings are held every Wednesday morning from 7 AM to 8 AM in the Broad Arrow Tavern of the Harraseeket Inn in Freeport.

Please join us to learn more about Rotary and how YOU can leverage the power of Rotary to make a difference in your community and anywhere in the world!

Rotary Ethics

Rotary encourages high ethical standards in all aspects of one's life. All Rotarians abide by and benefit from The Four-Way Test:

Of the things we think, say or do:

- 1) *Is it the truth?*
- 2) *Is it fair to all concerned?*
- 3) *Will it build good will and better friendships?*
- 4) *Will it be beneficial to all concerned?*

The Freeport Rotary Club

Making a difference in your world...

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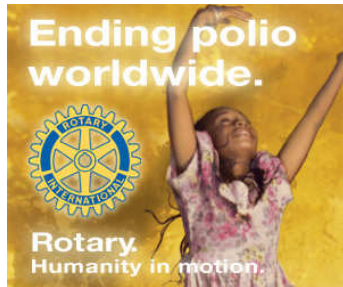


SERVICE Above Self

The Freeport Rotary Club

The Freeport Rotary Club, formed in 1983, is a volunteer service club, providing service to people in the Freeport and Pownal areas and around the world. It is a lively and generous group of professionals, business owners and community leaders who live or work in the Freeport and Pownal areas.

Freeport Rotary is part of the global organization collectively known as Rotary International or simply Rotary.



What is Rotary?

Rotary is a worldwide organization of more than 1.2 million business, professional, and community leaders. Members of Rotary clubs, known as Rotarians, provide humanitarian service, encourage high ethical standards in all vocations, and help build goodwill, peace and understanding in the world.

There are over 33,000 Rotary clubs in more than 200 countries and geographical areas. Clubs are nonpolitical, nonreligious, and open to all cultures, races, and creeds. As signified by the motto Service Above Self, Rotary's main objective is service — in the community, in the workplace, and throughout the world.

Rotary Clubs

Belonging to a Rotary club gives men and women an enjoyable and organized way to make a contribution to their community. Rotary members meet weekly to plan club, community, and international service activities. By using their skills and expertise globally, members also enhance their professional network, career development, and cross-cultural understanding.

Four Avenues of Service

The Four Avenues of Service are Rotary's philosophical cornerstone and the foundation on which most club activity is based:

- Club Service focuses on strengthening fellowship and ensuring the effective functioning of the club.
- Vocational Service encourages Rotarians to serve others through their vocations and to practice high ethical standards.
- Community Service covers the projects and activities the club undertakes to improve life in its community.
- International Service encompasses actions taken to expand Rotary's humanitarian reach around the globe and to promote world understanding and peace.

Service Projects

Rotary clubs participate in a broad range of humanitarian, intercultural, and educational activities designed to improve the human condition. Rotary's humanitarian grants support club projects that provide health care and medical supplies, clean water, food, job training, youth development, and education to millions of people in need - particularly in the developing world.

In addition, Rotary provides more than 200 grants each year to fund the work of Rotary volunteers, individuals who travel to parts of the world where their technical expertise and knowledge are most needed to alleviate hardship and solve problems.

Peace and Understanding

Rotary builds understanding through international scholarships, exchange programs, and humanitarian grants. In 2002, Rotary launched the Rotary Centers for International Studies in peace and conflict resolution, an innovative program designed to educate tomorrow's peacemakers.

Some 35,000 students from 110 countries have also studied abroad since 1947 as Rotary Ambassadorial Scholars. Rotary's Group Study Exchange has helped more than 45,000 young professionals explore their career fields in other countries. And, each year some 8,000 secondary-school students experience life in another country through Rotary's Youth Exchange program.



Benefits of Being a Rotarian

As a Rotarian, you are presented with many personal and professional opportunities, including:

- New opportunities for community service — from the local to the international level.
- Fellowship and friendship with over 1.2 million Rotarians worldwide who share the same Rotary values.
- Developing your leadership potential and public speaking skills.
- Increasing your knowledge of world affairs and cultural similarities.
- Exposure to relevant information and topics about the community, nation and world.
- Fostering business contacts and relationships.
- A new awareness of your community needs, while taking action to meet those needs.