



Rotary

THE ROTARY CLUB OF DOWNTOWN SIOUX FALLS

Service above Self

Thank you for your interest in joining Downtown Rotary. Your proposer may have shared some information with you, but here is a little more about our club before you apply for membership.

About Rotary Club of Downtown Sioux Falls

The Rotary Club of Downtown Sioux Falls is the oldest and largest Rotary Club in South Dakota, and is among the 40 largest Rotary Clubs in North America. It was started on July 1, 1915, at the Cataract Hotel by 42 business leaders who wished to have a place to socialize weekly. They were introduced to the new Rotary International organization started by Paul Harris in Chicago in 1905. After realizing they had the same business ethics and standards as Rotary International, they joined Rotary International and formed the "Sioux Falls Rotary Chapter".

About Rotary International District 5610

Rotary International District 5610 encompasses South Dakota, southwestern Minnesota, northwestern Iowa and northeastern Nebraska. There are 41 clubs located in District 5610. The purpose of the District is to administer Rotary International policies and advance the objects of Rotary in accordance with Rotary International Bylaws.

About Rotary International

The mission of Rotary International is to provide service to others, promote integrity, and advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace through its fellowship of business, professional and community leaders. There is a global network of 1.2 million neighbors, friends, leaders, and problem-solvers who come together to make positive, lasting change in communities at home and abroad.

Rotarians believe in a shared responsibility to act on our world's most persistent issues. 35,000+ clubs work together to: promote peace, fight disease, provide clean water, sanitation, and hygiene, save mothers and children, support education and grow local economies.

The Rotary Club of Downtown Sioux Falls

- **Vision** - be the most influential and engaged service club in the community, comprised of leaders who want to create a lasting impact (outcome) in Sioux Falls
- **Guiding Principle:** *Service Above Self*
- **Club Values:** *Fellowship, Integrity, Diversity, Service, Leadership*
- **Club Distinction:** *The Club leaders want to join; where important conversations happen*

Rotary Club Member Expectations

- Engage, attend, and learn while connecting with members and participating in club activities
- Invest your personal time and talent where it is most needed as requested by Club Leadership
- Pay a one-time \$100 new member fee and annual dues of \$470 each July 1 (prorated if joining after July 1)

I would be happy to answer any questions you might have or provide more information. Please don't hesitate to contact me.

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**ROTARY CLUB OF DOWNTOWN SIOUX FALLS
MEMBERSHIP PROPOSAL FORM**

Name

Birthday

Spouse

Business address

Phone

Email address

Residence address

Phone

Home Email address (if applicable)

If a former Rotarian, list club(s) and date(s) (for information only); not qualification criteria:

Qualification Check List: (new members must meet one of the following criteria).

Yes **No** **1.** Is engaged as a proprietor, partner, corporate officer or manager of any worthy, recognized business, profession or community service organization; describe:

or

Yes **No** **2.** Holds a position of responsibility in an executive capacity with discretionary authority (supervisory, hiring or budgetary) in any worthy recognized business, profession or community service organization; describe:

or

Yes **No** **3.** Performs as the primary local agent or branch representative of any worthy, recognized business, profession, or community service organization; describe:

or

Yes **No** *** 4.** Is considered a thought leader in our community; Is clearly working to make a lasting impact in our community; describe:

***#4: May require an interview with Qualification Committee**

Name of firm/organization, current position, description of duties:

If retired, former firm/position held:

Activities that would enhance consideration as a Rotarian:

Describe how your membership will help the Rotary Club of Downtown Sioux Falls achieve its vision of becoming the most influential and engaged service club in the community, comprised of leaders who create a lasting impact/outcome in Sioux Falls:

Proposer's Name (Print)

"As the proposer, I agree to ensuring this new member, if selected, is appropriately on-boarded (introduced to others, encouraged to attend each week, accompanied to meetings as much as possible), attends orientation within 60 days of joining and will make myself available to support member at induction."

**(Sign
OR
Type)**

Date

"As a member, I agree to attend weekly meetings, to the best of my abilities. I understand that Downtown Rotary is engaged in the active support of community needs. As a member of this service club I understand there are initiatives that will require financial and/or volunteer support. Downtown Rotarians are leaders whose support in these areas is anticipated and in some cases expected."

**(Sign
OR
Type)**

Date

Qualification Committee:



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Please provide a 250 word or less professional bio to use by the Rotary Club of Downtown Sioux Falls if accepted as a member.

Please include a professional, color, hi-resolution headshot, no more than 5 MB, to be used by the Rotary Club of Downtown Sioux Falls if accepted as a member.