

## **Dear Supporters:**

The Rotary Club of Ottawa is a non-profit organization and presents the Rotary Adventure in Citizenship Program as such. Many volunteer hours by Rotarians contribute to the success of the program.

In the past, participants were hosted in Ottawa by Host Families at no cost to the program. However, since Covid, we have been unable to secure the home stay option. All participants are now housed at the University of Ottawa. As you can appreciate, this was a tremendous cost increase. In addition, food and boardroom costs have also increased significantly since Covid. Over the past 2 years, we have done our best to keep your costs (registration fees) within reason, and hope that the increase of \$225 to a total of \$975 will not deter your Clubs' participation.

We can appreciate that the cost of sending a participant is different depending on your location and the related travel costs. We will endeavor to help the more remote clubs with travel expenses in the form of travel rebates. (\*basic flight costs of over \$1,000.00).

\*If you are a very small club and find the total cost of participation a deterrent, please let us know. We strive to present an equal opportunity for all clubs.

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