"Service Above Self"

Who We Are: Since 1905, Rotarians have been solving real problems with real commitment and vision.
"Rotary is a global network of more than 1.2 million neighbors, friends, leaders, and problem solvers."

- We transform communities - Approximately 47 million volunteer hours each year
- We connect people - More than 1.2 million members operate in 200 countries and geographical areas
- We fund sustainable projects - *$273 million awarded for global service initiatives. (*2024-25)

Vision Statement: Rotarians work to improve our world, and we remain committed to the cause.
" Together, we see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change — across the globe, in our communities, and in ourselves."

Our Mission: Rotarians utilize their passion, energy, and intelligence to drive sustainable projects.
"We provide service to others, promote integrity, and advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace through our fellowship of business, professional, and community leaders."

What We Do: Rotary members believe that we have a shared responsibility to take action on our world's most persistent issues. Our more than 45,000 Rotary and Rotaract clubs work together to:

- *Promote peace*
- *Fight disease*
- *Provide clean water, sanitation, and hygiene*
- *Improve maternal and child health*
- *Support education*
- *Grow local economies*
- *Protect the environment*

Rotary Structure: Rotary is made up of three parts:

- *Our clubs – Traditional, Rotaract, Interact*
- *Rotary International – Headquarters in Flint, Michigan, USA*
- *The Rotary Foundation - spent more than $6.5 billion on life-changing, sustainable projects*

Victoria Northside Rotary Scholarship Objective: To initiate continual opportunities for Victoria County graduating seniors to better understand the value of service and their community's need for service leadership development by engaging themselves in their community service involvement activities.

Victoria Northside Rotary Club History (https://northsiderotarytx.org/**):**

- Chartered May 2, 1968
- Largely focused on supporting educational development in Victoria County
- Supports youth leadership development (RYLA)
- Conducts 4-Way Test Speech Competition
- Helped create Field of Dreams for the Victoria area, challenged athletes
- Sponsored International Night – Texas A&M: Victoria (formerly University of Houston – Victoria)