



## **Tracey Vavrek Biography District Governor 2019 2020**

Tracey Vavrek has been an active Rotarian since joining Rotary in 2006.

Upon joining the Rotary Club of Grande Prairie Sunrise, she immediately stepped onto the Executive Committee and since that time has been a member of either a club executive or district committee.

She is an active Rotarian of the Grande Prairie After Five Club, past president of the Grande Prairie Sunrise Club and past Assistant Governor for the Grande Prairie area and is currently the Rotary International District Governor 2019/2020 for our District. Tracey not only promotes community involvement, volunteerism, and service above

self but truly lives it.

In March 2012, she was fortunate to be one of the drivers for the international project, Highway to Mexico, which she states was life changing. She continues to demonstrate her passion for Rotary with her commitment to the Rotary Foundation as a Paul Harris Fellow plus nine. Tracey and her husband Vince, a fellow Rotarian, joined the Bequest Society Level 2 in 2016, and have had the privilege to be a Youth Exchange host family on two occasions. Recently Tracey and Vince participated in Project Amigo in central Mexico in support of increasing literacy and educational opportunities for inner state youth at risk.

Tracey is the CEO of the Community Foundation of Northwestern Alberta based out of Grande Prairie. Tracey is an active volunteer sitting on various boards, committees and associations that are working to build healthy and resilient communities.

Tracey believes that philanthropy plays a significant role in the strength of a community. Her leadership skills and continued personal and professional development make her a key community builder and known resource, providing support and guidance to any organization in need.

Tracey believes in developing Rotarians not Rotary members. It is Rotarians who lead and make change from within their clubs and throughout the world.

She is known for her belief that "Rotary is an avenue with an equal platform where WE come together. Rotarians come from all sectors of communities. We share friendship, common values and passion to serve, and through this we change the lives of many who we may never know."