

## WEEK 13 – ROTARY’S VISION STATEMENT

*“Together, we see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change – across the globe, in our communities and in ourselves.”*

The word which defines much of our world today is division – whether by race or creed, ethnicity or belief, by gender or age or sexuality – all contributing to a sense of alienation one from another. When we join together as Rotarians, we set aside our differences and find ways to work together. We recognize and accept the differences, and the variations among us. We don’t pretend to agree with one another, for there is something healthy in sharing different views and perspectives on an issue.

Rotarians aspire to put aside our differences: it doesn’t matter where we came from, our education, or what experience we have. Unless we are willing to embrace this understanding of “together” we will never be able to achieve our goals, serve our communities, or change the world. By working together, we do what we cannot do alone – only by working together can we Connect the World.

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