

## **DISTRICT 7090 ROTARY PEACE FELLOWSHIP SUBCOMMITTEE**

### **TERMS OF REFERENCE**

#### **WHY ARE NEW TERMS OF REFERENCE NEEDED**

There have been substantial changes to the Rotary Peace Fellowship (“RPF”) program since 2022 which make it necessary to change the D-7090 Rotary Peace Fellowship Subcommittee (“RPFS”) terms of reference to accurately reflect the program and the relevant District roles.

The program changes remove the obligation for the District or the RPFS to endorse\recommend a Peace Fellowship application. Instead, District recommendations are optional and not required.

The following information is taken from the resources and training materials available to the Rotary Peace Fellowship Subcommittee Chair (“RPFSC”) and reflects the most recent published changes to the program.

The headings used below are similar to the headings which are used in the pre-2023 Terms of Reference.

#### **WHAT ARE ROTARY PEACE FELLOWSHIPS?**

Rotary Peace Fellows are selected every year in a globally competitive process based on personal, academic, leadership and professional achievements.

In 2026\2027, 50 Master’s fellowships and 120 Professional Certificate fellowships will be awarded.

Peace Fellows have the opportunity to study abroad earning a Master’s Degree or Professional Development Certificate in a field related to peace and development at one of the Rotary Peace Centers located at leading Universities.

Successful applicants receive full funding through the Rotary Foundation for tuition, fees, room, board, round trip transportation and internship/field study expenses.

By these programs, peace fellows develop the skills they need to serve as world leaders and catalysts for peace in their communities and regions.

Over 1,800 program alumni in over 140 countries are working to advance peace as leaders in national governments, nongovernmental organizations, education, research, peacekeeping, law enforcement, business, consulting, human rights law, media and international organizations such as the UN.

## **DISTRICT 7090 ROTARY PEACE FELLOWSHIP SUBCOMMITTEE TERMS OF REFERENCE**

The RPFS within the resources available to it shall endeavor to help:

1. Promote the RPF to qualified candidates;
2. Encourage peace and development leaders to apply;
3. Recruit eligible and qualified candidates;
4. Mentor candidates including providing suggestions to enhance application quality and find optimal recommendations ;
5. Provide resources to Clubs interested in recruiting and mentoring RPF applicants; and
6. Consider requests for an optional District recommendation for a District 7090 RPF applicant but only if in the sole discretion of the Sub-Committee Chair, the RPFS has sufficient time and resources to fully review the application before the submission deadline of May 15.

Members of the RPFS shall complete the ***All About Rotary Peace Fellowships*** course in the MyRotary Learning Centre.

## **DISTRICT ROTARY PEACE FELLOWSHIP SUBCOMMITTEE CHAIR ROLE DESCRIPTION**

The Rotary Peace Fellowship Subcommittee Chair (“RPFSC”) within the resources available to the RPFSC shall endeavor to guide and help the RPFS in fulfilling its terms of reference.

The RPFSC shall:

1. Complete the training courses relating to the role.
2. Read communications about the fellowship from Rotary Peace Center staff.
3. Appoint RPFS members.
4. Liaise between RPFS members and Rotary International.
5. Recruit candidates by promoting the RPF program and encouraging Club involvement.
6. Support candidates by providing suggestions to enhance application quality and optimal recommendations.
7. Consider requests for an optional District recommendation from a District 7090 RPF applicant but only if in the sole discretion of the Sub-Committee Chair, the Sub-Committee has sufficient time and resources to fully review the application before the submission deadline of May 15

## **WHAT IS THE ROLE OF CLUBS IN THE ROTARY PEACE FELLOWSHIP PROCESS**

District 7090 Rotary Clubs within the resources available to them may participate in the RPF process by:

1. Working with the RPFS to assist with recruiting and providing leads on potential applicants.
2. Inviting the RPFS to present to the Club about the RPF process.
3. Encouraging several members of its members to take ***All About Rotary Peace Fellowships*** course.
4. Recruiting, mentoring and recommending candidates.
5. Remembering that applications open February 1 and that the closing deadline for submitted applications is May 15.

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