

# Rotary International Recognition of Smaller Club Membership Growth

Members are essential to achieving Rotary's goals of providing community and international service. The continued growth of our clubs and international association depends on our ability to bring new, qualified members into our ranks. Every Rotary club member shares the responsibility of proposing qualified new members. It is an obligation born from the privilege of membership.

Clubs that have been experiencing slow growth may have fallen below the club charter requirement of 20 members. To provide an incentive for membership development, the RI Board of Directors established the Recognition of Smaller Club Membership Growth program, which acknowledges the unique challenges these clubs face and recognizes their achievements. The Board encourages you, as district governor, to work with these clubs and support their efforts to gain new members.

### Description

Recognition of Smaller Club Membership Growth certificates will be awarded to clubs in the following three categories that meet their membership goal during the 1 July-15 May time frame:

| Club Category         | Membership Goal     |
|-----------------------|---------------------|
| Fewer than 10 members | At least 10 members |
| 10-14 members         | At least 15 members |
| 15-19 members         | At least 20 members |

The district governor submits the names of all qualifying clubs to RI between 16 May and 30 June. Each recognized club will receive a certificate signed by the RI president.

#### **Guidelines**

In May, district governors-elect will receive a preliminary list of clubs in their district with fewer than 20 members. As district governor-elect, work with the incoming presidents of these clubs to establish membership goals and an action plan for the next Rotary year. In late October, district governors receive the 1 July starting figures (based on 1 July semiannual reports received at RI by 30 September) for the district and each of its clubs. With this data, you'll be able to identify any additional clubs that fall below the charter minimum of 20. A knowledegable, well-established district membership committee can work with specific clubs on strategies to strengthen and improve their efforts toward growth.

Use the form on the back of this page to report the clubs in each category recognized for achieving their membership goals. Attach additional sheets, if necessary. Each club you report will receive a recognition certificate signed by the RI president.

Certificates will be shipped to you for presentation to the recognized clubs; please allow up to four weeks for processing, printing, and mailing. If you need a certificate by a specific date, note the date on the submission form.

#### **Deadline**

District governors have from 16 May to 30 June to submit the recognition form to RI.

## **Recognition of Smaller Club Membership Growth Submission Form**

# Please complete and submit this form to RI by 30 June. **E-mail:** membershipdevelopment@rotary.org Mail: Membership Development (MD100) Fax: +1-847-866-9446 **Rotary International** One Rotary Center 1560 Sherman Ave Evanston, IL 60201 USA Please print clearly. Certificates will be printed using the information you provide. From District Governor \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_ District number \_\_\_\_\_ Membership Growth in Clubs with Fewer than 10 Members As of 15 May, the following Rotary clubs increased their membership to at least 10 members: Rotary Club of Club ID number City, State/Province, Country **Membership Growth in Clubs of 10-14 Members** As of 15 May, the following Rotary clubs increased their membership to at least 15 members: Rotary Club of Club ID number City, State/Province, Country **Membership Growth in Clubs of 15-19 Members** As of 15 May, the following Rotary clubs increased their membership to at least 20 members: Rotary Club of Club ID number City, State/Province, Country



Date

Certificates are needed by (date) \_\_\_\_\_