

Dear Rotarians and friends,



Welcome to a new Rotary Year where we strive to create Hope in the world!

I'm Hung Wei, Past President (2014-15) and member of the Rotary Club of Cupertino. I am honored and happy to serve as Rotary District 5170 Governor in Rotary Year 2023-2024.

What does a District Governor do?

My motto is "Leadership is not about being in charge; Leadership is about taking care of those in your charge" – Simon Sinek. When we take care of one another, we build a community that everyone is valued and feels a sense of belonging – we are motivated to serve when we belong. Together, let us create Rotary communities by taking care of one another!

What does a Rotary Club do?

Currently, District 5170 has 62 Rotary Clubs where members champion service projects locally and globally. Every service project - whether it be Enhancing Education and Literacy, Saving Mother and Children, Bringing Clean Water and Sanitation, Disease Prevention and Treatment, Economic and Community Development, Peace and Conflict Resolution, or Supporting the Environment – plants Seeds of Hope in the communities we serve: Hope for a warm meal, Hope for a good education, Hope for a better job, Hope for clean water, Hope for peace, Hope for a brighter future!

What does a Rotary District do?

Our Rotarians are on the ground championing service projects. Our Club Presidents and leadership teams are organizers in fundraising and administration in support of Club service projects. District Governor and District leadership team members provide resources in learning and collaboration opportunities, as well as problem solving solutions to Clubs. Together, as a Rotary District, we aim to increase Rotary impact, expand Rotary reach, and organize Rotary projects to where we have never served before!

What does Rotary Year 2023-2024 bring?

2023-2024 Rotary International President Gordon McNally is a member of the Rotary Club of South Queensferry, West Lothian, Scotland. President Gordon calls for Rotary members to "create Hope in the world" by promoting peace, continuing the Empowering Girls Initiative, supporting a polio-free world, focusing on improving mental health awareness and services, and be known as an organization that takes care of its members. Together, we will create Hope in our Clubs by taking care of our members, create Hope in our communities by serving local projects, and create Hope in the world by championing global grants!

I'd also like to take this opportunity to thank all the Past District Governors and District Leadership Team Members for their dedication, resource, and talent in supporting Rotarians and friends to do good in the world. I will strive to continue the service and be the best "cheerleader" in supporting our Rotarians to champion service projects of their passion. Together, we will continue to unite and take action, to create lasting change, across the globe, in our communities, and in ourselves!

Last but not least, let all of us strive to be a "life-time Rotarian" – no matter where you are and what you do, join a Rotary Club, so you continue to be part of planting Seeds of Hope to create Hope in the world, in our communities, and in ourselves!