**2024-2025 Application for Rotary District 5930 International Scholarship to Costa Rica**

Before completing this application, please read the scholarship information for Costa Rica Project on Rotary District 5930’s website.

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| Application Deadline: Submit to Costa Rica Scholarship Coordinator Christine Udeani at udeani@live.com by February 1, 2025.  |
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Qualifications: 1) Must have completed by the time of departure two years of college or university study with a declared major compatible with any one of the following Focus Areas of Rotary:

* Peacebuilding and Conflict Prevention
* Disease Prevention and Treatment
* Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene
* Maternal and Child Health
* Basic Education and Literacy
* Community Economic Development
* Environment

2) Must be sponsored by a Rotary Club in District 5930 and meet at least one of the following criteria:

- reside in District 5930

* attend college or university in District 5930
* have graduated from a high school in District 5930 (Rotarians and family members of Rotarians are not eligible). Membership in a Rotaract Club does not affect eligibility.

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| Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  | Telephone (alternative): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  |
| Country of citizenship: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  |   |
| Country of birth:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  |   |

Selection Process: Competitive interviews will be conducted by the District 5930 Scholarship Committee on March 08, 2025, through the Zoom videoconferencing system.

Applications submitted directly to The Rotary Foundation will not be considered.

Please print legibly or type. Do not use initials or abbreviations.

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| Family name: Male \_\_\_\_ Female \_\_\_\_ Current mailing address: |  Given name:  |

Emergency contact information (relationship, name, address, phone number, email):

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EDUCATIONAL HISTORY

Post-secondary or university level (include any studies planned between now and the scholarship

term; list planned or most recent studies first):

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| Institution:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  |  |   |
| City, State/Province, Country: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  |  |   |
| Dates attended (month & year): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_   |  |   |
| Field of study: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_   |  |   |
| Degree or certificate received or expected: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  |  |   |
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| City, State/Province, Country: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  |  |   |
| Dates attended (month & year):\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_   |  |   |
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| Degree or certificate received or expected: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_   |  |   |
|  Dates attended Diploma or  | Dates attended  | Diploma or  |
| Secondary School (name and location) (month and year) equivalent  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ | (month and year)  |  equivalent Yes No  |

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| EMPLOYMENT HISTORY  (List current or most recent first)   |   | Dates worked  |
| Name of employer  | Job title or type of work  | (month & year)  |

# PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE ABROAD

 State / Province Country Dates Circumstances

ESSAYS

Prepare the following documents with your name and the name of the sponsor Rotary club in the upper right corner.

1. A brief autobiography, no longer than two pages, describing
	1. Academic strengths and challenges
	2. Work experience

1. A detailed statement of intent, no longer than two pages, describing
	1. Your reasons for applying for this scholarship
	2. Your current field of study and future career plans
	3. Your principal interests and activities and any leadership positions you have held. Indicate any training or experience in public speaking or community service
	4. What do you hope to gain from participating in the program in Costa Rica
	5. How do you envision this experience relates to your future career aspirations

LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION

Have two academic instructors, employers, or supervisors provide letters of recommendation.

TRANSCRIPTS

Provide original transcripts from all post-secondary colleges or universities attended.

# LOCAL ROTARY CLUB ENDORSEMENT

To submit your application, you must first be sponsored by a local Rotary Club, which can be any club in Rotary District 5930. If you are unsure of the closest Club, please visit the Rotary District 5930 website:

http://www.rotary5930.org. The Club will usually want to informally interview you before they submit your application to ensure you are a suitable candidate. Please note that this process may take time; consequently, do not wait until the last minute to contact a Club. A Club representative (ideally the President of the Club) will need to sign the last page of this application, which will need to be submitted with the rest of your attachments.

# APPLICANT’S CERTIFICATION

My signature below certifies that the information provided in this scholarship application is truthful and accurate. I certify that I have read and understand all the requirements for the Costa Rica scholarship, in addition to the proposed itinerary of the trip. I also certify that I will abide by Rotary’s conflict of interest policy. Likewise, to be eligible for any Rotary scholarship funds, I certify that I do not fit in any of the categories listed below:

* Rotarian, including honorary Rotarian
* Employee of a club, district, or other Rotary Entity, or of Rotary International
* Spouse, lineal descendant (child or grandchild by blood, legal adoption, or marriage without adoption), spouse of lineal descendants, or ancestor (parent or grandparent by blood) of the person(s) in the above categories
* Employee of an agency, organization, or institution that partners with The Rotary Foundation or Rotary International
* Former Rotarian or honorary Rotarian who has terminated membership within the preceding 36 months
* Person who is ineligible based on a familial relationship to a former Rotarian or honorary

Rotarian, for a period of 36 months after termination of a family member’s membership

 Applicant’s signature: \_ Date:

### **LOCAL ROTARY CLUB ENDORSEMENT**

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The Club leadership (ideally the President) will usually want to informally interview you before they endorse your application to ensure you are a suitable candidate. We recommend that you contact the club President no later than January 20, 2025, to schedule an appointment to meet with him/her. The President or his/her designee will need to complete and sign the Endorsement form, which is found on the next page. You will need to submit this form with the rest of your attachments.

To locate the President of a District 5930 Rotary club, do the following:

1. Visit our website [www.Rotary5930.org](http://www.Rotary5930.org)
2. Go to the Clubs tab
3. Select Club Directory
4. Then you can review the Rotary Clubs available in South Texas. You can see the day and hours of the meeting, the Club President’s name, location, and the club’s website.
5. You can send a message to the President or visit the Rotary Club.

Also, you can visit directly: <https://rotary5930.org/ClubDirectory> or <https://rotary5930.org/ClubsMap>

# **ROTARY CLUB ENDORSEMENT FOR COSTA RICA APPLICANTS**

 The Rotary Club (Name):

 City: State:

 Proposes (Name of Applicant):

for the District International Costa Rica Scholarship and forwards this application to the appropriate district official, as instructed.

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| Club Rep’s (Preferably Club President) Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Club President’s Signature and Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |  |
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The club interviewed this candidate in person. \_\_\_\_YES \_\_\_\_NO

If No, please explain why not.

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Optional: If Yes, you may add a summary of the interview or additional comments about the candidate.

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# Please submit this form and the rest of the application to Christine Udeani at udeani@live.com

The application must be received no later than February 1, 2025.

***The sponsor club president is requested to make a complete photocopy of this application for club records before forwarding the application to the appropriate district official.***