

# Our Commitment to Diversity, Equity & Inclusion

**District 9640** 



Everyone who engages with Rotary – no matter who they are, where they are in the world, or how long they have been connected with Rotary – should feel valued, respected and welcomed

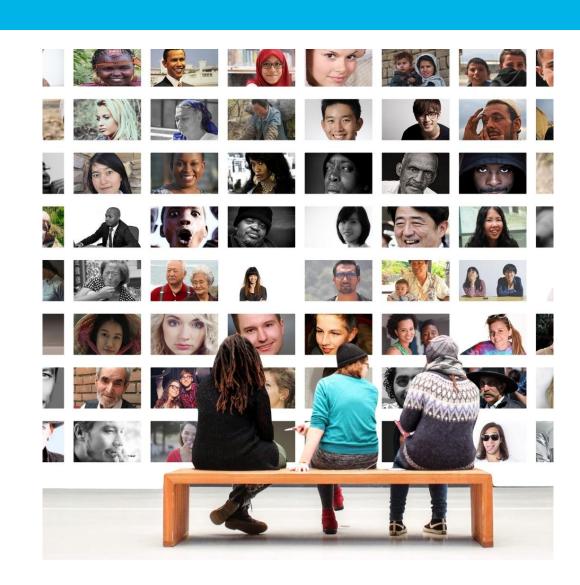
# CORE PRINCIPLES

- Value Diversity
- Recognise Barriers
- Appreciate Individuality



## VALUE DIVERSITY

- Welcome contributions of people of all backgrounds
  - Age
  - Gender Identity
  - Ethnicity
  - Race
  - Disability
  - Faith
- Welcome differences in ideas, thoughts, values and beliefs



## RECOGNISE BARRIERS



- Recognise that individuals from certain groups have historically experienced barriers to Rotary membership, participation and leadership
- Commit to advancing equity so everyone has access to Rotary opportunities and benefits

#### APPRECIATE INDIVIDUALITY

- All people hold visible and invisible qualities that inherently make them unique
- Strive to create an inclusive Rotary culture where each person knows they are valued and belong



# "diversity is being invited to the party, inclusion is being asked to dance"

Verna Myers, VP Inclusion Strategy at Netflix

# 2022 ROTARY DEI GLOBAL SURVEY RESULTS

Don't know how to report discrimination or harassment at Rotary



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Don't believe that Rotary leaders are actively promoting diversity, equity and inclusion



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- Leadership opportunities are limited for anyone who doesn't fit the traditional profile of a Rotary leader
- Cost of joining Rotary remains an obstacle to retaining members and attracting new ones – exclusionary behavior
- Younger members not offered meaningful opportunities to get involved or showcase ideas – perceived lack of experience

## HOW CAN YOU CULTIVATE INCLUSION?

- 1. Accessibility location, information, timing, costs, fees
- 2. Purpose what, why, passion, delegation, sharing
- 3. Training discuss, clarify, language, bias, behavior, participate



#### **DEI CODE OF CONDUCT - 2021**

New DEI Code of Conduct approved by Rotary International's Board. Asks Rotarians to:

- Use respectful language
- Be supportive
- Foster a welcoming and inclusive environment
- Celebrate diversity

#### ROTARY DEI TRAINING

# Rotary.org has a large number of training options for clubs and members



Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Basics

Duration: 1h 45m

ABOUT THIS LEARNING PLAN

LEARNING PLAN STRUCTURE

Learn about Rotary's commitment to diversity, equity, and inclusion. Look at your own biases, learn about microaggressions, and find out how to resolve conflict.



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Language: English - Duration: 15m - ★★★★★5

**ABOUT THIS COURSE** 

CONTENT

We are committed to putting diversity, equity and inclusion (DEI) at the core of the Rotary experience. Learn more about Rotary's DEI statement, what DEI means, and how you can put it into practice to create positive experiences.

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"Inclusivity means not just "we're allowed to be there" but we are valued. I've always said: smart teams will do amazing things, but truly diverse teams will do impossible things"

Claudia Brind-Woody VP, IBM

QUESTIONS