



Rotary District 7030 Peace Committee



Dear Rotary family

My name is Debbie Roopchand.

It is my pleasure to serve you as Chair of the District 7030 Peace-Building Committee. The team is on the right.

Why peace?

With the voicing of public concerns as to direct, structural and cultural violence and social inequities in regions within our District, there is a need to focus the District's energies on Peace towards bringing about a culture of peaceful social interactions and of Peace being the foundation of all our engagements to complement Rotary's own commitment to Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI). Peace indeed is what is most needed in the world today.

What do we have in mind for this challenging year?

Mindful that "There is no path to peace. Peace is the path" – Mahatma Ghandi, our main focus is to create opportunities for members to learn more about Peace through education, to engage in impactful Peace projects across the District and for Clubs to become Peacebuilder clubs.



Stephanie Buckley
Rotaractor Aruba



Margriet van Dijk - Nouh-Chaia
Suriname



Brain Ramatally
Trinidad



Christine Charlot
French Guiana



Carlotta Boodie Walcott
Guyana



Heather Tull
Barbados

Goals 2020-2021

- To equip approximately 100 Rotarians/Rotaractors and 250 Interactors in District 7030 with the knowledge, capacity and skills to promote and achieve Peace through training provided by New Gen Peacebuilders.
- To promote Peace through Education via District zoom sessions with key speakers on Peace.
- To engage/support Clubs in executing Peace projects and encourage Clubs to become Peacebuilder Clubs.
- To increase the number of Peace Fellows within District 7030.

How Can Your Rotary Club Participate?

- Reach out to our Committee if you need ideas and guidance on a Peace project.
- Send in your story/video/photos from your Peace Projects and activities to the District team via rotary.7030.pr@gmail.com for highlight in our monthly publications.

Check Out Our First Peace-Building Session !

Presenter: Summer Lewis - Coordinator, Rotary - Institute for Economics & Peace Partnership. Summer is also a Rotary Peace Fellow graduate of the University of Queensland 2011-2012.

Review: In case you missed it or if you want to hear it again, view the video recording of our committee's first peace-building session in July with Summer Lewis as she discusses Peace and Rotary, the Rotary Peace Fellowship, the Rotary-IEP Partnership, and how Rotarians and Rotaractors can get involved.

Watch Video: youtu.be/VPXITnyy_M

Our Second session in August 2020 will feature Director of NewGen Peacebuilders Patricia Shafer and is open to all Rotarians, Rotaractors, Interactors with an interactive Q&A forum at the end.