

Term	Abbreviation	Definition
Annual Fund	AF	The Rotary Foundation's checkbook. The Annual Fund provides funding for the day-to-day Rotary Foundation programs that permit Rotary clubs to take action today to create positive change in communities at home and around the world.
Arch Klumph Society	AKS	The AKS recognizes The Rotary Foundation's highest tier of donors — those who have contributed \$250,000 or more during their lifetime. This contribution, either one-time or cumulative, has to be all cash or other liquid assets; Foundation Recognition Points do not count toward this designation.
Arch Klumph Society Member	AKSM	A designation for a member who has contributed at least \$250,000 to any of The Rotary Foundation's funds. AKS Members are recognized with an engraved crystal recognition piece and a AKS lapel pin.
Area of Focus	AOF	Rotary is dedicated to seven areas of focus to build international relationships, improve lives, and create a better world to support our peace efforts and end polio forever. The seven Areas of Focus are: Peace and Conflict Prevention, Basic Education and Literacy, Disease Prevention and Treatment, Water and Sanitation, Maternal and Child Health, Economic and Community Development, and Supporting the Environment.
Assistant Governor	AG	A Rotarian selected by the District Governor to help him or her administer the District. Each AG is responsible for overseeing 3-to-5 clubs and serves a 3-year term.
Bequest Society	BS	The Bequest Society recognizes support for the Endowment Fund of The Rotary Foundation through bequests. The Bequest Society's membership includes Rotarians, family members, and friends who have each committed to give \$10,000 or more to the Endowment Fund.
Bequest Society Member	BSM	A designation for a member who has contributed, either one-time or cumulative, at least \$10,000 to the Endowment Fund, or designated that amount in their will or another estate document. Bequest Society members are recognized with a lapel pin and an exclusive art piece suitable for framing.
Citation of Meritorious Service	CMS	Honors individual Rotarians who have demonstrated outstanding active service to The Rotary Foundation for more than one year. It is Foundation's second highest recognition for individuals.
Club Leadership Plan	CLP	The CLP is the recommended administrative structure for Rotary clubs. It is based on the best practices of effective Rotary clubs. Because each Rotary club is unique, the CLP is flexible enough to support the individual needs of clubs around the world.
Club Leadership Training	CLT	Convened by the District Governor-elect, CLT is annual training for incoming club officers, directors and committee chairs. CLT helps presidents-elect build on the leadership skills they obtain at P.E.T.S., and club leadership teams to refine their goals for the year. This training is officially known as the District Assembly.
College of Governors	COG	The College of Governors is an advisory body consisting of all Past District Governors who are a member of a club in District 5870, and the District Governor, District Governor-elect and District Governor-nominee. The role of the College of Governors is to assist the Governor, both in formulating plans and in implementing them
Conference of Clubs	COC	Convened by the District Governor, COC is an annual meeting of Rotary Clubs to celebrate Rotary, exchange ideas on Rotary projects, and to showcase their achievements. This event is officially known as the District Conference.
Council on Legislation	COL	Rotary's "legislature" that meets every 3 years to review and update our policies and procedures. Each district elects a representative to serve on the council in order to give each Rotarian a voice in how our organization is governed.
Disaster Response Fund	DRF	The DRF funds grants for districts looking to support relief and recovery efforts in areas that have been affected by natural disasters within the past six months. Grant funds can be used to provide basic items such as water, food, medicine, and clothing.
Disaster Response Grant	DRG	Districts that have been affected by natural disasters can use \$25,000 Disaster Response Grants to launch their own projects or work with established relief organizations to help their communities recover. Only Districts can apply based on the availability of funds.
Distinguished Service Award	DSA	Presented by the Rotary Foundation Board of Trustees, the DSA honors individual Rotarians who have demonstrated exemplary service to the Foundation and have received the Citation for Meritorious Service at least four years prior. It is The Rotary Foundation's highest recognition for individuals.
District		Rotary clubs are grouped administratively into districts, each of which is comprised of approximately the same number of Rotarians. Districts exist solely to help clubs connect to each other and access Rotary resources. There are approximately 530 districts – we are District 5870.
District Assembly	DA	See CLT
District Assistance Program	DAP	District 5870's program that uses money from the annual District Grant to help fund short term, locally-focused club service projects

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District Conference	DC	See CoC
District Designated Funds	DDF	Funding that is available from The Rotary Foundation to District 5870 on an annual basis that can be used to for local and international humanitarian service projects and scholarships. The amount of DDF a district gets each year is dependent upon the amount of money it contributed to the Annual Fund three years previously.
District Governor	DG	A Rotarian elected by his or her peers to serve as an officer of Rotary and represent the Rotary International board of directors in the field to the clubs in the district. The DG serves a 1-year term.
District Governor-elect	DGE	The person who will be District Governor next July 1st.
District Governor-elect Training Seminar	GETS	Continued training for the District Governor-elect that furthers the process of teaching him or her about his or her role as District Governor and how to work effectively with the District Leadership Team to administer the district. GETS is held 1 year before he or she becomes District Governor.
District Governor-nominee	DGN	The person will be District Governor in 2 years
District Governor-nominee Designate	DGD	The person who will be District Governor in 3 years
District Governor-nominee Training Seminar	GNTS	Initial training for the District Governor-nominee that starts the process of teaching him or her about his or her role as District Governor and how to work effectively with the District Leadership Team to administer the district. GNTS is held 2 years before he or she becomes District Governor.
District Grant	DG	A Rotary Foundation block grant that funds small-scale, short-term activities that address needs in our community and communities abroad. District's can apply for one District Grant per Rotary year. District 5870 uses this grant to fund our District Assistance Program (DAP) and Vocational Scholarships.
District Leadership Team	DLT	The DLT, comprised of the District Governor, District Governor-elect, District-Governor-nominee, Lieutenant Governors, Assistant Governors, Special Staff and Committee Chairs and Coordinators. provide the day-to-day guidance for the operation of the district.
District Membership Committee	DMC	The DMC is responsible for promoting the identification of prospective members, the retention of existing members, and facilitating the start up of new clubs.
District Public Image Committee	DPIC	The DPIC develops and executes a plans to tell the public about Rotary and to promote the District's service projects and activities in order to ensure that communities around the world know that Rotary is a credible organization that meets real needs.
District Rotary Foundation Committee	DRFC	The DRFC is the connection between The Rotary Foundation and Club members. Comprised of experienced and knowledgeable Rotarians, it helps the District Governor educate, motivate and inspire Rotarians to both contribute to The Rotary Foundation and participate in its programs.
District Rotary Foundation Committee Chair	DRFCC	The Rotary Foundation's representative to the clubs in the district who is responsible for overseeing both fundraising and the effective implementation of Rotary Foundation programs. Appointed by the Chair of Rotary Foundation Board of Trustees acting on the recommendation of
Donations in Kind	DIK	Donation in-kind contributions are donations of goods, services or time instead of cash.
Early Act / First Knight	EAFK	A program that motivates and teaches elementary and middle school children to become civil, service-oriented people during their most formative years.
End Polio Now Coordinator	EPNC	A Regional leader appointed by the Chair-elect of The Rotary Foundation Board of Trustees to raise awareness for polio eradication and fundraise for PolioPlus. Together, encourage districts in your region to contribute 20 percent or more of their District Designated Fund starting balance, and encourage clubs to give a minimum of \$1,500, to PolioPlus.
Endowment Fund	EF	The Endowment Fund gives future generations of Rotarians the additional resources they will need to design and implement sustainable projects year after year. While a gift to the Annual Fund helps people live better lives today, gifts to Rotary's Endowment support the same lifechanging programs tomorrow. Contributions are invested and professionally managed to provide a stream of income to support Rotarians' local and global philanthropic work in perpetuity.
Endowment/Major Gifts Advisor	E/MGA	A Regional leader appointed by the Chair-elect of The Rotary Foundation Board of Trustees to identify, cultivate, solicit, and steward donors with an emphasis on raising gifts of \$25,000 or more. E/MGAs collaborate with zone and district leaders and TRF fund development staff partners to effectively fundraise for The Rotary Foundation's Endowment and programs.
Every Rotarian Every Year	EREY	The Rotary Foundation's initiative to promote annual contributions of at least \$25 per member to the Annual Fund, and to promote annual participation in Foundation programs

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Foundation Recognition Points		Foundation Recognition Points are awarded to donors who contribute to The Rotary Foundation through the Annual Fund, PolioPlus, and the Disaster Response Fund, or who contribute to sponsorship of a Foundation grant. Donors receive one recognition point for every U.S. dollar contributed to these funds. Donors can transfer recognition points to others to help them qualify as a Paul Harris Fellow or multiple Paul Harris Fellow.
Global Grant	GG	A Rotary Foundation matching grant of at least \$30,000 that supports large international projects with sustainable, measurable outcomes in one or more of Rotary's seven Areas of Focus. Grant sponsors form international partnerships that respond to real community needs.
Global Polio Eradication Initiative	GPEI	The Global Polio Eradication Initiative is a public-private partnership led by national governments with five partners – the World Health Organization (WHO), Rotary International, the US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF), Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation and Gavi, the vaccine alliance. Its goal is to eradicate polio worldwide.
Group Study Exchange	GSE	The Rotary Foundation's Group Study Exchange (GSE) program was a unique cultural and vocational exchange opportunity for businesspeople and professionals between the ages of 25 and 40 who are in the early stages of their careers. The program provided travel grants for teams to exchange visits in paired areas of different countries. This program ended in June 2013 with the transition to the New Grant Model and was replaced in part by Vocational Training Teams. See VTT.
House of Friendship	HOF	A gathering place at major Rotary events and conventions to promote fellowship, Rotary programs and Rotary themed merchandise.
Immediate Past District Governor	IPDG	The individual who served as District Governor during the year immediately prior to this year.
Immediate Past President	IPP	The individual who served as Club President during the year immediately prior to this year.
Interact		A Rotary club for high school-based young people ages 12-18 who want to join together to tackle the issues in their community that they care most about. Each Interact Club is sponsored by a Rotary Club.
International Assembly	IA	Final training for the District Governor-elect that finishes the process of teaching him or her about his or her role as District Governor and how to work effectively with the District Leadership Team to administer the district. GETS is held 6 months before he or she becomes District Governor. IA is currently held in Orlando, FL.
Leave of Absence	LOA	An excused absence from club meetings for reasons considered good and sufficient by the club's board of directors. Such excused absences shall not extend for longer than twelve months unless the leave is for a medical reason that extends for more than twelve months.
Major Donor	MD	An individual who has given at least \$10,000 to any fund of The Rotary Foundation. This contribution, either one-time or cumulative, has to be all cash or securities; Foundation Recognition Points do not count toward this designation. Members continue to add to this overtime until they reach the status of Major Donor-Level 4 (\$100,000). Major Donors are recognized with an engraved crystal recognition piece and a lapel pin.
Manual of Procedure	MOP	Rotary's rule book for conducting club, District, Zone and RI business. The Manual of Procedure helps Rotary leaders understand Rotary's policies and procedures that are most relevant to their roles. It is published every three years after the triennial Council on Legislation.
Memorandum of Understanding	MOU	A memorandum of understanding is an agreement between two or more parties outlined in a formal document. District 5870 uses a MOU to spell out club responsibilities with respect to participating in Rotary Foundation programs.
Multiple Paul Harris Fellow		An individual who, through a combination of cash and Foundation Recognition Points, has contributed, either one-time or cumulative, a minimum of \$2,000 to the Annual Fund and/or PolioPlus, an approved Global grant, or the Disaster Response Fund. Each additional \$1,000 up to \$9,000 earns an additional Paul Harris Fellow (PHF). Members continue to add to this overtime until achieving the status of PHF plus 8. Paul Harris Fellows are recognized with a certificate and a lapel pin.
National Immunization Day	NID	National immunization Days (NIDs) are one-day, mass immunization campaigns in developing countries during which supplemental doses of oral poliovirus vaccine (OPV) are given to all children in a country to interrupt the transmission of wild polioviruses (WPV).
Non-Governmental Organization	NGO	A nonprofit organization that operates independently of any government, typically one whose purpose is to address a social issue such as water and sanitation, or basic education and literacy.
Official Directory	OD	Annual listing of all Rotary club and district officers with contact information.

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Oral Poliovirus Vaccine	OPV	OPV is a mixture of live attenuated poliovirus strains of each of the three serotypes, selected by their ability to mimic the immune response following infection with wild polioviruses, but with a significantly reduced incidence of spreading to the central nervous system.
Past District Governor	PDG	An individual who has previously served as a District Governor.
Past President	PP	An individual who has previously served as President of a Rotary club.
Past Rotary International Director	PRID	An individual who has previously served as a member of the Rotary International Board of Directors
Past Rotary International President	PRIP	An individual who has previously served as President of Rotary International.
Past Rotary International Vice President	PRIVP	An individual who has previously served as Vice President of Rotary International.
Paul Harris Fellow	PHF	An individual who, through a combination of cash and Foundation Recognition Points, has contributed, either one-time or cumulative, a minimum of \$1,000 to the Annual Fund and/or PolioPlus, an approved Global grant, or the Disaster Response Fund. Each additional \$1,000 up to \$9,000 earns an additional Paul Harris Fellow (PHF). Members continue to add to this overtime until achieving the status of PHF plus 8. Paul Harris Fellows are recognized with a certificate and a lapel pin.
Paul Harris Society	PHS	The Paul Harris Society recognizes Rotary members and friends of The Rotary Foundation who contribute \$1,000 or more each year to the Annual Fund, PolioPlus, an approved Foundation global grants or the Disaster Response Fund for as long as they are financially able to do so. The purpose of the Paul Harris Society is to identify, engage, and thank members who have the ability and desire to make substantial annual gifts that help communities around the world.
Paul Harris Society Member	PHSM	An individual who pledges to give at least \$1,000 per Rotary year to the Annual Fund and/or PolioPlus, an approved Global grant, or the Disaster Response Fund for as long as they are financially able to do so.
PolioPlus		Rotary's initiative to tackle global polio eradication through the mass vaccination of children. Rotary has contributed more than \$1.5 billion and countless volunteer hours to immunize more than 2.5 billion children in 122 countries. PolioPlus is a founding partner of the Global Polio Eradication Initiative (GPEI).
President-elect	PE	The person will be Club President in next July 1st.
President-nominee	PN	The person will be Club President in 2 years
Presidents-elect Preparatory Training	Pre-P.E.T.S.	Training for incoming club presidents-elect that provides them with District 5870 specific information pertaining to annual goals, administrative processes and district events. It is intended to supplement the training received at P.E.T.S.
Presidents-elect Training Seminar	P.E.T.S.	Training for incoming club presidents that teaches them about their role and how to work with Assistant Governors in setting goals. District 5870 participates annually in Lone Star Multi-District P.E.T.S. which is held at the Hyatt Regency DFW.
Regional Rotary Foundation Coordinator	RRFC	A Regional leader appointed by the Chair-elect of The Rotary Foundation Board of Trustees to serve as a key resource on all Foundation-related topics, including grants and grants management, fundraising, and programs such as PolioPlus and Rotary Peace Centers. Each RRFC has a number of assistant coordinators (ARRFC).
Rotaract		A Rotary club that brings together young adults ages 18-30 to take action in their communities, to develop their leadership and professional skills, and have fun. Rotary clubs sponsor them, but Rotaract members manage and fund their clubs independently.
Rotary Action Group	RAG	An independent, Rotary-affiliated group made up of people from around the world who are experts in a particular field, such as economic development, peace, addiction prevention, the environment, or water.
Rotary Club	RC	A Rotary Club is the basic unit of Rotary activity, and each club determines its own membership. Individual Rotarians are a members of their Rotary Club, their Rotary Club is a member of Rotary International. Rotary Clubs are grouped administratively into Districts.
Rotary Community Corps	RCC	A group of non-Rotarians who share our commitment to changing the world through service projects. RCC members plan and carry out projects in their communities and support local Rotary club projects. There are more than 10,000 corps in 100 countries.

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Rotary Coordinator	RC	A Regional leader appointed by the Rotary International President-elect to help districts encourage innovative strategies for attracting and engaging members, and to encouraging Rotarians to participate in effective volunteer and networking activities. Each RC has a number of assistant coordinators (ARC).
Rotary Fellowship	RF	An independent group of Rotarians, their spouses, and Rotaractors who share a common passion. Over 90 groups are organized around specific interests such as sports, hobbies, flying and wine. Being part of a fellowship is a fun way to make friends around the world, explore a hobby or profession, and enhance your Rotary experience.
Rotary Foundation Sustaining Member	RFSM	A Rotary Foundation Sustaining Member (formerly called a Paul Harris Sustaining Member) is a person who contributes \$100 or more per year to the Foundation's Annual Fund. Without sustained support of the Annual Programs Fund, the programs of The Rotary Foundation cannot happen.
Rotary Foundation Trustee	TRFT	A member of The Rotary Foundation's board of trustees. The board of trustees manages the business of the Foundation. The Rotary International President-elect nominates the trustees, who are elected by the Rotary International board of directors. The trustee chair serves a 1-year term; each trustee serves a 4-year term. As of July 2020, the Trustee who represents District 5870 is PRIVP Jennifer Jones of Winipeg, Ontario, Canada.
Rotary Friendship Exchange	RFE	Program that promotes and encourages Rotarians to learn about and travel to other countries for fun and fellowship. It is usually reciprocal.
Rotary International in Great Britain and Ireland	RGBI	Under the auspices of Rotary International, RGBI is an independent administrative body that coordinates the activities of Rotary clubs and districts in the Great Britain and Ireland. First organized as a "territorial unit" in 1918, it has its own President and a somewhat different set of administrative rules for clubs
Rotary International	RI	Created in 1905, a global network of 1.2 million neighbors, friends, leaders, and problem-solvers who see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change – across the globe, in our communities, and in ourselves. Rotary International is non-political, non-religious, non-governmental and open to all cultures, races, and creeds.
Rotary International Director	RID	A member of Rotary International's 17 member board of directors. Past District governors are eligible to serve on the Board, but at least three years must have elapsed since the end of their term as governor. Each director represents a paired set of zones. Directors are nominated by the clubs in a zone and elected at the International Convention to serve a 2-year term. We are in Zone 25b which is paired with Zone 29. As of July 2020, the director who represents District 5870 is PDG Suzi Howe of Rotary Club of Space Center (Houston), Texas.
Rotary International Director-elect	RIDE	A person who will be a Rotary International Director next July 1st.
Rotary International Director-nominee	RIDN	A person who will be a Rotary International Director in 2 years.
Rotary International President	RIP	A person selected by a panel of Past Rotary International Directors who leads and motivates Rotary's 1.2 million members to unite and take action to create lasting change across the world, in our communities and in ourselves. Rotary International President's serve a one year term.
Rotary International President-elect	RIPE	The person who will be Rotary International President next July 1st.
Rotary International President-nominee	RIPN	The person who will be Rotary International President in 2 years.
Rotary International Vice President	RIVP	A member of the Rotary International Board of Directors - normally one entering his/her second and final year on the board - who is appointed by the Rotary International President to serve as Vice President.
Rotary Peace Fellows	RPF	The Rotary Peace Fellowship is designed for leaders with work experience in peace and development. Fellows are committed to community and international service and the pursuit of peace. Each year, The Rotary Foundation awards up to 50 fellowships for master's degrees and 80 for certificate studies at premier universities.
Rotary Public Image Coordinator	RPIC	A Regional leader appointed by the Rotary International President-elect to help increase recognition of Rotary's humanitarian work by sharing the Rotary story, and helping club and district leaders share Rotary's successes with the community and media, local civic and government leaders, nongovernmental organizations, and similar entities. Each RPIC has a number of assistant coordinators (ARPIC).
Rotary Year	RY	Rotary's year begins annually on July 1, and ends the following year on June 30.

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Rotary Youth Leadership Award	RYLA	A leadership training program for young people ages 14- 30. RYLA aims to demonstrate Rotary's respect and concern for youth, provide an effective training experience for selected youth and potential leaders, encourage leadership of youth by youth, and publicly recognize young people who are rendering service to their communities.
Sergeant-at-Arms	SAA	A Rotarian who volunteers at various events and conferences to provide information and assistance
Service Above Self Award	SASA	Presented by the Rotary International Board of Directors, the SASA honors individual Rotarians who demonstrate their commitment to helping others by volunteering their time and talents. No more than 150 are presented each year. This is Rotary International's highest recognition for individuals.
SHARE		The Rotary Foundation program whereby 50% of Annual Fund money raised in a district is returned 3 years later to be used for local and international humanitarian service projects and/or scholarships.
The Rotary Foundation	TRF	Created in 1917, The Rotary Foundation is the charitable fundraising and distribution arm of Rotary International. The mission of The Rotary Foundation is to enable Rotarians to advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace through the improvement of health, the support of education, and the alleviation of poverty. It is supported solely by voluntary contributions from Rotarians and friends of the Foundation who share its vision of a better world. The Rotary Foundation is a 501c3 organization.
The Rotary Foundation Trustee	TRFT	A member of the Rotary Foundation's 17-member Board of Trustees. The Board of Trustees manages the business of The Rotary Foundation, the charitable arm of our organization that funds service activities. The RI president-elect nominates the trustees, who are elected by the RI Board to four-year terms. Each Trustee is paired with a Rotary International Director. As of July 2020, the Trustee who is paired with RID Suzi Howe is PRID Jorge Aufranc from Rotary Club of Guatemala Sur, Guatemala.
Vocational Training Team	VTT	A group of professionals who travel abroad either to teach local professionals about a particular field or to learn more about their own. Teams can be funded by District Grants and Global Grants.
World Community Service	WCS	Two or more clubs in two or more countries that join forces for a humanitarian effort
World Fund	WF	The World Fund provides the necessary funding for our highest priority activities around the globe. While 50% of SHARE-designated contributions are applied to the World Fund, you can also direct your entire gift to the fund. The Foundation uses the money to pay for grant and program opportunities available to all Rotary Districts.
Youth Exchange Officer	YEO	The member of the District Committee who coordinates and promotes Youth Exchange Program (YEP) activities within the district.
Youth Exchange Program	YEP	The Youth Exchange program provides young students with the opportunity to meet people from other countries and to experience new cultures, planting the seeds for a lifetime of international understanding.
Zone		Just as the more than 35,000 Rotary clubs belong to over 530 districts, the districts, in turn, belong to 34 zones. Zones have been broken down further into 41 regions. Each zone has a director, each region has a regional coordinator team composed of the Rotary Coordinator (RC), Regional Rotary Foundation Coordinator (RRFC), Rotary Public Image Coordinator (RPIC), the End Polio Now Coordinator (EPNC), and the Endowment and Major Gifts Advisor (E/MGA) and their assistants.
Zone Institute		An annual event convened by our Rotary International Director to train incoming district leaders and to discuss Rotary topics.