



Rotary Youth Exchange

Values of Being Involved



Ultimate Goal of
Rotary Youth Exchange -
To build **PEACE** one
young person at a time.



**Empowering &
developing** the
next generation
of **world leaders**
and **Rotarians**

WHO BENEFITS?

The impact of Rotary Youth Exchange reaches from the student to the world.





OUTBOUND STUDENTS

BENEFITS:

Learn about Rotary, Rotaract and Rotex

Change outlook on life and its possibilities.

Broaden a student's future life-long endeavors.

Learn how to deal with and solve difficult situations.

Learn new ways of accomplishing tasks.

Gain a new appreciation for their home, family and friends.

Learn a new culture and language.

MORE STUDENT BENEFITS

Build lasting friendships with people around the world including their host families.

Enables the student to recognize career paths & opportunities they didn't see before.

Become a Global Citizen – see the world through a new lens

Receive benefits during exchange estimated as a \$24,000 scholarship.

Successful exchange students usually receive priority in college admissions and scholarships.

Develop friends (some life-long) from all over the world and locally.

Mature and become self-confident, independent young adults.

Opportunity to continue in YE as a ROTEX and eventually become a Rotarian.

A large group of approximately 40 students, mostly young adults, are posing for a group photo on a wide set of stone steps. They are arranged in several rows, with some standing and others kneeling or sitting in the front. Most of the students are wearing bright green hooded sweatshirts, which appear to be school or organization uniforms. Some students are wearing sunglasses, and one student in the back row is wearing a red jacket. The background features a large, multi-story building with classical architectural elements like columns and a balcony with an American flag. To the right, there is a modern structure with a glass roof, possibly a transit station or a public building. The overall atmosphere is cheerful and organized.

INBOUND STUDENTS

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Changes the perceptions of US Culture

Learn that US citizens are not what is portrayed in the media and movies

Gain a new family with their host families and extended family members

Learn about Rotary

Learn English

Lifelong friends with other Inbound students and US students

Bring energy and young excitement to Rotary meetings

Provide meeting programs from current and past outbound exchange students and current inbound exchange students.

Host families and parents or relatives of outbound students can become Rotarians

Creates engaging service positions to keep member involvement

Fosters school relationships

ROTARY CLUB BENEFITS





MORE CLUB BENEFITS

Provides a means for the community to learn about your club and what it is doing for the community

Another focus point for club service

Gives members opportunities to engage students from different cultures

Students involved with club service projects and teaching them to give back

Avenue of Service is fulfilled regarding Youth

COMMUNITY & SCHOOL THE CLUB SERVES



Brings cultural diversity and learning opportunities for students and teachers in the high school

A way to learn about what your Rotary Club is doing in and for the local community

Inbound and outbound students become involved with service projects and community outreach

Students can engage elementary and middle school students in learning about other cultures, countries and continents

Opportunity for community members to learn about Rotary, club, district and international impacts

HOST FAMILY



Grow your family on a global scale

Give your children the gift of a global connection

Open your mind to viewing the world and Rotary through a new perspective

Learn a new culture

Creates a connection with Rotary and possible future Rotarians

Life-long connections with the student

New insight in parenting

New reason and opportunity to travel

Recognized for our excellence in our programming by other Districts, Clubs and international connections

Impacts the lives of 30 to 40 youth of the 2000 sent by the US

Provides an avenue of service as a District Youth Exchange Committee member and/or Country Officer

The students provide a lively and entertaining talent show at the District Conference.

Students remain engaged as Rotex and assist in bringing in the next generation of students

DISTRICT 5100



UNITED STATES & WORLD

Negative perceptions of US citizens can be changed from our student's interaction with locals.

Builds connections across the country and the world

Fosters understanding and tolerance of multiple cultures

Students learn about the US in a way that they would not otherwise

A known way to foster world peace

WHERE TO START

SHORT TERM EXCHANGE IS A GREAT PLACE TO BEGIN!



Clubs wishing to offer Short Term exchanges need only to find students and families who wish to participate.



Your club interviews the students and parents, and, if they are accepted as candidates, forwards their applications to the District YE Committee.



The District STEP (Short Term Exchange Program) Committee Member will handle the rest and keep the club informed

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STEP – NO COST TO CLUB

- Participating students and their families cover the cost of travel, the WESSEX fee, Rotary District fees, Rotary insurance, clothing and personal expenses.
- Travel to the host country is arranged by each student's family communicating with the other student's family, determining dates, times and airlines to be booked for the exchange.
- Frequently, students who exchange first accompany their host sibling on the return flight home.



QUESTIONS