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YOUR ROTEX



DAVID GAMEZ

I studied abroad in Switzerland for the 2018/2019 year. I had a year full of memories that I will never forget. I got to meet new people from all over the world that are still in contact with me. Rotary Youth Exchange is a great opportunity to explore out of your comfort zone and to experience the world in a different way!

EMILY VEGA

Emily Vega is now a ROTEX and went on RYE in 2015-2016 to Brazil in District 4480. Rotary International has given Emily an international family and perspective. Through Rotary she has been able to travel, make connections everywhere she goes and hopes to encourage youth to seek opportunities like RYE. For Emily RYE is life-changing and she would love to see more students from her community go on RYE to gain intercultural skills, gain independence and confidence through exchange.





KYLE NOWELL

Kyle is excited to be serving on D5500's Youth Exchange Committee. Originally from Show Low, AZ he attended Arizona State University for his undergrad in Communication. As a ROTEX he went outbound to the Netherlands in 2011-2012 and has remained involved with Rotary Youth Exchange ever since. Prior to being an exchange student Kyle attended RYLA as a participant and then in subsequent years as a counselor. He has a passion for Rotary's Youth Services because of the impact they can have on young people's lives.