

## **PEACEBUILDER CLUB STANDARDS**

### **Purpose of becoming a Peacebuilder Club**

- Implement and promote Rotary International's Peace and Conflict Resolution Area of Focus in your club;
- Address the growing problem and danger of divisiveness and polarization that fractionalizes and stagnates societies, disrupts peaceful relations, and increases the potential for violence;
- Build stronger, more harmonious communities and a more peaceful world;
- Help Rotarians maximize the peacebuilding impact of every Rotary project in all 6 of RI's Areas of Focus;
- Assist in the accomplishment of Rotary's mission to 'enable Rotarians to advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace'.

### **Organization and Training**

Every Peacebuilder Club shall have a Peacebuilding Committee made up of at least two people;

Each member of the Committee is encouraged to take 20-20 minutes to read *Your Piece of Peace – A Peacebuilding Primer for Rotarians* found at [www.rotarianactiongroupforpeace.org](http://www.rotarianactiongroupforpeace.org). Click on "Peacebuilder".

The Committee is encouraged to:

1. Help build the momentum and impact of peacebuilding in Rotary by joining and/or supporting the Rotarian Action Group for Peace;
2. Complete online training in the 8 Pillars of Positive Peace available through the Rotary Positive Peace Academy at <http://rotarypositivepeace.org> ;
3. Become familiar with all resources available on the Rotarian Action Group For Peace website at [www.rotarianactiongroupforpeace.org](http://www.rotarianactiongroupforpeace.org). Click on "Resources";
4. Invite 1-2 Committee members to participate in the monthly District 5500 Peacebuilder Network.

### **Committee Responsibilities**

Educate and empower Rotarians and members of your community to support peacebuilding principles and strategies by:

1. Encouraging them to read *Your Piece of Peace – A Peacebuilding Primer for Rotarians*;
2. Conducting club training regarding principles of peacebuilding utilizing principles from the *Primer*, the Rotary Peace Academy, and other sources;
3. Helping them recognize that Club projects that address any of the RI 6 Areas of Focus contribute to building stronger and more peaceful communities;
4. Reporting regularly to club members on all club peacebuilding activities.

Engage Rotarians, Rotary Peace Fellows, Interactors, Rotaractors, and others in your area in peacebuilding action by:

1. Sponsoring at least one club peacebuilding activity every year. An example is one that introduces peace curricula in local schools, clubs, and youth groups. More examples can be found under “Resources” at [www.rotarianactiongroupforpeace.org](http://www.rotarianactiongroupforpeace.org) . The Rotary Foundation Funding Guidelines for peace projects can be found at <https://my.rotary.org/en/documents/areas-focus-policy-statements>.

### **Raise your club’s Profile**

1. At least once a year, do something to increase public awareness of Rotary’s peacebuilding power and activities. Examples include planting a Peace Pole, sponsoring a community Peace Conference, or conducting a Peace-art or Peace-video competition at a local school;
2. Increase awareness of the Rotary Peace Centers and the Peace Fellow Program. Engage club members to identify qualified candidates for a Peace Fellowship.