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Rotary Grace

Dear Lord, we offer this gathering to You, and ask You to bless it with Your wisdom and grace. We thank You for this opportunity to be together to grow in our love and service to You and to each other.

We ask You to enlighten our minds, to know what is true and just, and strengthen our wills to carry out faithfully what we come to see as our duty.

May all our thoughts, words, and action be directed to making Your name and Your love better known among men, for their sanctification and their happiness here and in eternity, AMEN.

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT FOR ROTARY YEAR 2025-2026



FRANCESCO AREZZO President, Rotary Year 2025-2026 Rotary International



August 2025

August is Membership Month, but our commitment to growth and connection is year-round. When we focus on growing Rotary, we grow our ability to serve, to lead, and to bring lasting change.

Membership growth isn't just about numbers. It's about opening doors. It's about inviting more people who are ready to give their time, talents, and hearts to a cause greater than themselves. When we welcome new members, we bring in fresh ideas and new energy. We expand our impact, strengthen our clubs, and ensure that Rotary continues to evolve with the world around us.

Remember, there is now great flexibility in fashioning nontraditional club models. I'm inspired when I see these innovative clubs thrive by offering new and prospective members more ways to connect and serve.

In Korea, the growth of satellite clubs has created opportunities for nearly 1,000 new members to find their place in Rotary. In Romania, the close collaboration between Rotarians, Rotaractors, and Interactors has built a pipeline of future leaders. In India, some Rotarians gather around a shared interest — whether it's professional development or a passion for service — and those connections deepen their commitment and their joy in being part of Rotary. And we've seen cause-based clubs thrive in regions as diverse as Southeast Asia. Africa, and Europe.

There's a common thread: Where clubs are growing, membership is a priority and there is a willingness to try something new. Rotary is not limited to one structure or tradition. We are a global network of people of action, and that means there is room for many kinds of clubs, many ways to serve, and many paths into our organization.

This spirit of innovation is also guiding our efforts to reach new communities. In places where there has never been a Rotary club — or where a club once existed and faded — Rotarians are finding ways to grow Rotary. They are identifying areas of potential and building clubs that reflect the character and needs of their communities.

Every member plays a part in this journey. Whether you introduce a friend to your club, support a new meeting format, reconnect with program alumni, or simply share your Rotary story, you are helping our organization grow stronger and more vibrant.

No one owns a Rotary club. It is a gift we pass on to the next generation. When we nurture that gift, when we invite others to share in it, we ensure that Rotary continues to be a force for good.

Let's prioritize membership growth — not just in August but every month of the year. Together, through friendship, creativity, and shared purpose, we will grow Rotary and Unite for Good.

ROTARY CLUB OF ZAMBOANGA CITY WEST PRESIDENTIAL MESSAGE





REYNALD "Rey" ARIÑO, MPHFPresident, Rotary Year 2025-2026
Rotary Club of Zamboanga City West

August 2025

Fellow Rotarians of the Great West.

As we step into the month of August, designated by Rotary International as **Membership and New Club Development Month**, we are reminded of the cornerstone of Rotary's strength: our people. It gives me great pride and joy to announce that our club continues to grow—not only in size but in spirit, passion, and purpose. We have recently welcomed **five new members** into our fold, bringing us to a total of **86 dedicated and service-driven Rotarians**. This growth is a testament to the vibrant energy and credibility of our club.

But let us remember: **our numbers are only as powerful as our unity**. Growth in membership is a commendable milestone, but true success lies in how well we **engage, involve, and uplift** one another. Each new member brings fresh ideas, unique perspectives, and untapped potential. It is up to us, the current stewards of the Rotary Club of Zamboanga City West, to nurture that potential and ensure that every Rotarian—new and seasoned—feels a deep sense of belonging and purpose.

Now more than ever, we must **strengthen our camaraderie**, engage in meaningful fellowship, and build bonds that go beyond weekly meetings. Let's take time to check in with one another, share stories, celebrate milestones, and support each other—not only as Rotarians but as friends, professionals, and community leaders.

Let us also reflect on the **true value of being a Rotarian**. To be a Rotarian is to be someone who chooses service over self, who seeks to create change not just in the world, but in their own communities. It is to stand for integrity, empathy, leadership, and action. We carry not just the Rotary emblem, but the responsibility to uphold its ideals in everything we do.

So, as we celebrate this important month, let us renew our commitment—to each other, to our mission, and to the greater good. Let us be proactive in sharing the gift of Rotary with others—inviting not just new members, but new energy, new hope, and new possibilities.

Together, we are building **not just a bigger club—but a stronger**, more connected, and more impactful Rotary. Let us continue this journey with passion, unity, and an unwavering dedication to service.



PRESIDENTS' REPORT AGENDA

- 1. Calendar of activities
- 2. Launching of The Great West Official Website
- 3. Fundraised through the successful staging of the "Great West Shoot Fest Year 2"
- 4. Preparatory Procedures for the District Governor's Visit
- 5. Other matters





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CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES 2025

YEAR	MONTH	DAY	PROJECT / ACTIVITY	VENUE
2025	AUGUST	MEMBERSHIP AND NEW CLUB DEVELOPMENT		
		5	3rd Regular Club Meeting	Jade Room, Grand Astoria Hotel
		8-9	Rotary ShootFest 2025	ZAPSA Firing Range, Lumbangan, ZC
		23	Rotary Fireside	Southern Heights (Cali Farms)
		23	Partnership: MEDCAP project	Western Mindanao Command
		30	Tree Planting Initiative	
	SEPTEMBER	SUPPORTING EDUCATION		
		2	4th Regular Club Meeting	Jade Room, Grand Astoria Hotel
		26	Club visit of Rotary Club of Incheon Kumdan	
		28	Zumba for a Cause	
	OCTOBER	GROWING LOCAL ECONOMIES		
		6	5th Regular Club Meeting	Jade Room, Grand Astoria Hotel
		24	World Polio Day	
	NOVEMBER	THE ROTARY FOUNDATION MONTH		
		4	6th Regular Club Meeting and Election of Next Set of Officers	Jade Room, Grand Astoria Hotel
	DECEMBER :	FIGHTING DISEASE		
		2	7th Regular Club Meeting and Preparatory meeting for GGOA	Jade Room, Grand Astoria Hotel
		10	Greatest Gift of All project Year 32	Hall 1 & 2, Astoria Regency and Convention Center
		13	Rotary West Year-End Party	





2023-24 Grant Summary

485 district grants

106
disaster response grants

1,287 global grants

programs of scale grants

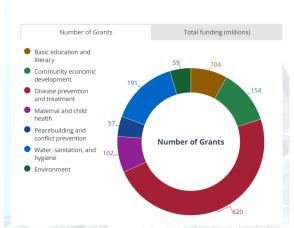
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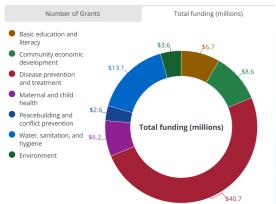
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\$2m

2023-24 Global Grants by Areas of Focus



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Solid Waste, Solid Partnerships: Rotary Club of Zamboanga City West Holds 3rd Regular Club Meeting









The Rotary Club of Zamboanga City West held its 3rd Regular Meeting on August 5, 2025, at the Grand Astoria Hotel with about 40 attendees, including 26 members and guests from Rotaract and Interact. The program opened with Rotary formalities and featured a vocational talk by Rotarian and City Councilor Rey Bayona Bayoging titled "Solid Waste, Solid Partnerships: Rotary's Role in Bridging Communities and Governance." He stressed the need for collaboration between communities, government, and civic groups in addressing the city's waste challenges.

An engaging discussion followed, with members sharing best practices and ideas for sustainable waste management. The club also reviewed updates on ongoing projects, community service initiatives, and future partnerships. The meeting concluded with fellowship, reflecting the Rotary family's unity and commitment to service above self.

Bringing Water, Bringing Hope!





Rotary Club of Zamboanga City West Turns Over 25 Jetmatic Pumps to the Municipality of Liloy

In a heartfelt display of service and solidarity, the Rotary Club of Zamboanga City West officially turned over 25 units of Jetmatic Pumps to the Municipality of Liloy on August 8, 2025, at 2:00 PM, held at the Isuzu Center.

These water pumps will soon be distributed to identified marginalized communities within the municipality, aiming to significantly improve access to clean and safe water—a basic human necessity that remains a challenge in many underserved areas.

This initiative was made possible through the **Rotary District 3850 Global Grant No. 2566087**, a project designed to address one of the most pressing needs in rural communities: access to water. The grant, supported by partners and stakeholders both locally and internationally, underscores Rotary's unwavering mission to create sustainable, community-driven solutions.

The turnover ceremony gathered local government officials, community representatives, and Rotary members who came together to witness the symbolic handover and reaffirm their commitment to public service.

"Water is life, and today, we are not just giving pumps—we are giving hope, dignity, and the promise of better days ahead," said a representative of the Rotary Club during the event.

This project is yet another demonstration of Rotary's core values: **Service Above Self**, **community empowerment**, and **lasting impact**. It also highlights how collaboration between civic organizations and local governments can lead to meaningful change.

As the Jetmatic Pumps begin to serve their new homes, the Rotary Club of Zamboanga City West continues to work toward a future where every community has access to the resources they need to thrive.

Together, we serve. Together, we bring hope.

Rotary Club of Zamboanga City West Successfully Holds "The Great West Shootfest 2" to Raise Funds for SPED and Polio Eradication

Zamboanga City – August 10, 2025 — The Rotary Club of Zamboanga City West proudly hosted the much-anticipated "The Great West Shootfest 2", a Level 2 Sanction Match shooting competition, held last August 9–10, 2025 at the ZAPSA Firing Range in Barangay Lumbangan, Zamboanga City. The two-day fundraising event united sportsmanship and service, drawing approximately 150 participants, including Rotarians, Rotaractors, and guest shooters from across the region.

Day 1: A Ceremonial Opening with Purpose

The event kicked off with a **ceremonial shoot** on August 9, with **Rotarians in full attendance** to officially open the shootfest. The ceremonial gunfire symbolized not only the start of the competition but also the Club's ongoing commitment to impactful community service. The presence of Rotary members highlighted the organization's unity and dedication to service above self.

Day 2: Celebrating Champions and Impact

On August 10 at **3:30 PM**, the awarding ceremony was held at the same venue, graced by **Mr. Kaiser Olaso**, who led the recognition of outstanding marksmen and contributors. Winners across various shooting categories were honored, but beyond the medals and trophies, the true achievement lay in the event's advocacy-driven purpose.

Shooting for a Cause

More than just a competitive event, The Great West Shootfest 2 served as a powerful fundraising platform to support two of Rotary's major causes:

- **1.** "The Greatest Gift of All" Now on its **32nd year**, this flagship outreach program provides joy, care, and vital support to children under the **Special Education Program (SPED)**, as well as the abused, abandoned, and elderly. In 2024, it reached over **1,000 beneficiaries**. The program remains a beacon of hope for the most vulnerable sectors of society.
- 2. Polio Eradication A portion of the event's proceeds will go to the Rotary Foundation's "End Polio Now" campaign. This global initiative is at the forefront of the fight to completely eradicate polio, and the Rotary Club of Zamboanga City West remains steadfast in supporting this mission.

A Call for Continued Support

The Rotary Club extends its sincerest gratitude to all the **sponsors**, **shooters**, **and volunteers** who made this event possible. Sponsorships and donations — whether in cash, kind, or participation — play a crucial role in sustaining Rotary's service projects.

Join Us in Making a Difference

With each shot fired and each medal awarded, The Great West Shootfest 2 proved that **sports and service** can go hand in hand. The Rotary Club of Zamboanga City West invites individuals and organizations to **become co-sponsors** of this noble cause. Together, we can transform lives and create lasting change for those who need it most.













Rotary Club of Zamboanga City West Holds Board Meeting Featuring Special Guest on Telemedicine Initiative





The Rotary Club of Zamboanga City West held its monthly board meeting on August 22, 2025, at 6:00 PM in the Emerald Room of Astoria Hotel, Zamboanga City. A total of 16 members were in attendance, joined by a distinguished guest who brought valuable insights into a pioneering medical initiative.

The meeting was graced by **Princess Dr. Frances Azuka Kemelagha**, the **Telemedicine Ambassador**, who delivered an inspiring vocational talk on the ongoing **Telemedicine Project**. Dr. Kemelagha is currently visiting the region to monitor the progress of the project and has made site visits to **Basilan**, **Ipil**, and **Vitali in Zamboanga City** as part of her assessment.

In her address, Dr. Kemelagha emphasized that the Telemedicine Project represents a **milestone in modern medical outreach**, particularly in underserved and remote communities. She highlighted the positive impact the program has already made, providing critical access to healthcare through digital solutions. However, she also noted the **need to upgrade the current systems** to enhance its efficiency and reach.

Encouraging the club's continued involvement, Dr. Kemelagha urged members to **strengthen their partnership with Global Offsite Care**, an international organization instrumental in supporting telemedicine initiatives. She acknowledged the club's efforts and encouraged them to sustain their commitment to healthcare innovation.

Following her presentation, the board proceeded with internal discussions focused on the club's **plans and programs** for the coming months. Members actively engaged in **strategizing the implementation** of community service initiatives, ensuring alignment with Rotary's areas of focus.

The evening concluded on a high note, with members expressing renewed energy and commitment toward creating sustainable, impactful projects for the community.

Rotary Club of ZC West partners with Armed Forces of the Philippines—Western Mindanao Command for its Medical Civic Action Project (MEDCAP)









Barangay Mariki | August 23, 2025

In partnership with Western Mindanao Command (AFP) and other stakeholders, the Rotary Club of Zamboanga City West conducted a meaningful outreach activity in Barangay Mariki—bringing medical services, health education, and literacy support to the community.

A special highlight was the distribution of school supplies to 123 kindergarten students from the indigenous Samal community. These gifts were more than just supplies—they were symbols of hope, love, and belief in the future of our youth.

With 10 dedicated Rotarians facilitating the program, the event was a powerful reminder that partnerships and compassion can spark real, lasting change.

Thank you to all who made this possible!

Great West Unite for Good: Rotary Family, Partners, and ZCPO Seaborne Conduct "3,850 Siembra Mangle" in Brgy. Talabaan

Zamboanga City, August 30, 2025 — In a unified and purposeful effort to protect and rehabilitate the environment, the "Great West Unite for Good" alliance — composed of the Rotary Club of Zamboanga City West (RCZCW), Rotary Anns of Zamboanga City West, Rotaract Club of Zamboanga City West, Rotaract Club of Southern City Colleges, Interact Club of Zamboanga City West, Zamboanga City Police Office, 2nd Mobile Force Company "Seaborne", and the Barangay Tanods of Barangay Talabaan — successfully conducted a mangrove tree planting activity dubbed "Siembra Mangle" in Barangay Talabaan, Zamboanga City.

The activity began at **6:00 AM** with a solemn **opening prayer**, setting a meaningful tone for the day. This was followed by **Welcome Remarks** from the RCZCW President, who emphasized the importance of environmental stewardship and the strong collaborative spirit among the participating organizations.

A short technical briefing was conducted by a representative from the Office of the City Environment and Natural Resources (OCENR), who explained the crucial ecological role of mangroves in coastal protection, biodiversity conservation, and climate change mitigation. Participants also received hands-on guidance on how to properly plant mangrove propagules to ensure a high survival rate.

With shared enthusiasm and a deep sense of purpose, volunteers from the different groups took to the muddy coastline of Talabaan — and through their collective effort, a remarkable **3,850 mangrove propagules were successfully planted**. This not only contributed to the restoration of the local mangrove ecosystem but also helped raise environmental awareness among youth and community members.

The "Siembra Mangle" initiative is a flagship activity under the Great West Unite for Good movement, reflecting a powerful message: that genuine change is possible when civic organizations, young leaders, and law enforcement unite for a shared cause.

As the mangrove seedlings took root in the coastal soil, they symbolized more than environmental restoration — they embodied the renewed sense of commitment, cooperation, and service that defines this movement.

This initiative is expected to be the first of many under the **"Great West Unite for Good"** banner, paving the way for more impactful, inclusive, and sustainable community projects in the months to come — all rooted in the Rotary spirit of **"Service Above Self."**













"The Great West Year 2" Fireside Unites Hearts and Purpose of Rotary Club of Zamboanga City West

August 30, 2025 | Nixon Go's Resort, Barangay Murok, Zamboanga City

Under the warm glow of a countryside sunset and the crisp evening air of Barangay Murok, the Rotary Club of Zamboanga City West held its much-anticipated Fireside Gathering on August 30, 2025, at Nixon Go's Resort. With the theme "The Great West 2", a fun and lively Cowboyinspired motif, the event brought together members — old and new — in a celebration of fellowship, service, and shared purpose.

Kicking off at 6:00 PM, the Fireside blended Rotary tradition with Western flair. Members came in full cowboy gear — hats, boots, denim, and fringe — transforming the venue into a scene straight out of the Wild West. The best-dressed award went to none other than **PP Gil Lim** and **PP Ann Merly Hablo**, who stole the show with their spirited and creative Western outfits.

The heart of the Fireside centered on **the Classification Talks of new members**, a Rotary custom where newcomers introduce themselves, share their professional backgrounds, and explain what led them to join the organization. These heartfelt talks were more than just introductions; they became bridges of connection, allowing everyone to better understand the unique stories behind each Rotarian's journey.

A powerful highlight of the evening came with the message delivered by **Past President Edwin Caliolio**, who spoke passionately about **leadership**, **service**, **and integrity** — the pillars that define a true Rotarian. His speech stirred inspiration in the crowd, reminding everyone that leadership is not about titles, but about influence and responsibility to uplift others. His words were a call to action — to lead with heart, serve with humility, and live with unwavering integrity.

What made the evening even more meaningful was a heartfelt sharing session where every Rotarian was invited to talk about **what inspired them to join Rotary**. The room turned into a space of remembrance and reconnection as members reflected on their **first meetings**, the people who invited them in, and the moments that convinced them Rotary was where they truly belonged. Stories ranged from community outreach experiences to personal growth through service, all tied together by a common thread: **the desire to make a difference**.

These Fireside gatherings are more than tradition. They are moments of **pause**, **reflection**, **and reconnection**. In the midst of busy schedules and community projects, Firesides remind us **why we do what we do** — to grow together, to uphold our shared values, and to continuously inspire one another. They help us realign our hearts with the mission of Rotary, and strengthen the fellowship that fuels our service.

As the formal program came to a close, the night was far from over. True to Rotary spirit, the gathering shifted into a warm and joyful **fellowship** filled with **laughter**, **bonding**, **and lots of singing**. Guitars were strummed, voices rose in harmony, and the stars bore witness to a club united not just by purpose, but by genuine friendship.

The Fireside ended late into the night, but no one was in a rush to leave. In the glow of campfire lights and cowboy hats, **The Great West 2** didn't just celebrate the Rotary way — it *lived* it. Here's to more evenings like this — where stories are shared, values are strengthened, and Rotary lives on through connection and song.



Rotary Club of Zamboanga City West Joins Forces with RMN Networks and Philippine Red Cross for Life-Saving Blood Donation Drive

Zamboanga City, Philippines – August 2025 — In a powerful demonstration of community service and humanitarian commitment, the Rotary Club of Zamboanga City West joined forces with RMN Networks, Inc., the Philippine Red Cross – Zamboanga Chapter, and other dedicated stakeholders to hold a life-saving blood donation drive on August 27 and August 30, 2025.

This impactful initiative was held in line with the celebration of the 73rd Founding Anniversary of RMN Networks, Inc., dubbed "Dugtong-Buhay", a bloodletting project that embodies RMN's enduring commitment to public service and civic action.

The drive was a resounding success, **resulting in the collection of 96 blood bags**—a vital contribution to the city's blood bank and emergency medical response system. Held across two key dates, the bloodletting activity was not just a health campaign but a testament to the enduring spirit of "**Service Above Self**", a core tenet of Rotary International. It also highlighted RMN's seven-decade legacy of delivering timely news, fostering community engagement, and supporting life-saving initiatives across the country.

A United Front for Saving Lives

The event drew participation from a wide array of volunteers—Rotarians, RMN employees, local youth, government workers, health professionals, and concerned citizens—all rallying behind a common cause: to help save lives through the gift of blood.

With the Philippine Red Cross providing medical personnel, screening protocols, and safe blood collection practices, the event ensured a secure and efficient donation process. The Rotary Club took the lead in mobilizing donors and raising awareness within local communities, emphasizing the importance of voluntary blood donation, especially during medical emergencies or crises.

The success of this mission reflects the power of collaboration. "Every drop of blood collected is a beacon of hope for patients in need—trauma victims, surgery patients, or those battling chronic illnesses. We are honored to stand alongside RMN, the Red Cross, and our other partners in making this anniversary celebration a truly life-saving endeavor."

As RMN Networks marks 73 years of public service, the **'Dugtong-Buhay'** bloodletting project stands as a fitting tribute—linking lives, strengthening communities, and continuing the legacy of service that defines both RMN and Rotary.





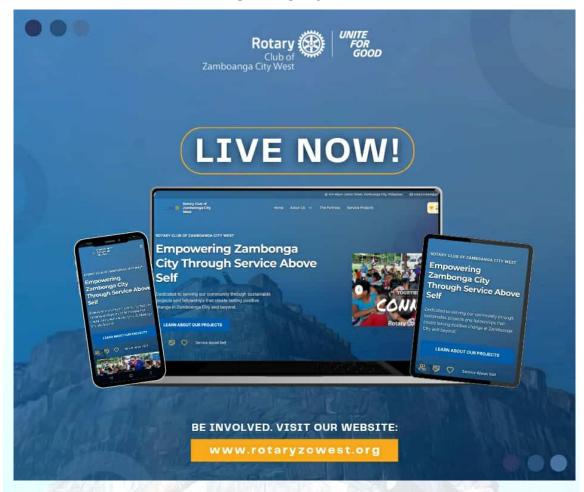








Rotary Club of Zamboanga City West WEBSITE is now LIVE!



The Rotary Club of Zamboanga City West now has its official website — www.rotaryzcwest.org — your new hub for club updates, service projects, and community initiatives. This site was proudly built by our Rotaractors of ZC West, helping us stay better connected as we serve and inspire together.

Adoption of Club's Vision Statement



Rotary Club of Zamboanga City West's Vision Statement

"Together, we empower communities through collaboration and service—uniting people for positive change, guided by integrity, leadership, and a shared commitment to inspire transformation within ourselves and beyond."





ROTARY DISCON 2026

MAY 7 - 9, 2026

₱ 5,500

EARLY BIRD MAR 20-31, 2025

₱6,500 APR. 1 TO JUL. 31, 2025

₱ 7,500

AUG. 1, 2025 TO MAR. 31, 2026

₱8,000 WALK-IN/ONSITE

MAY 2026

Register Now....

DISCON 2026 | May 7-9, 2026 | ROXAS CITY, CAPIZ

For those who haven't paid or registered yet, this is your last chance to take advantage of the discounted early bird rate!

Updated Registration Rates:

₱5,500 – Extended Early Bird (Until April 4, 2025)

₱6,000 – Special Rate (April 5 to April 16, 2025)

₱6,500 – Starting April 17, 2025

₱7,500 – August 1, 2025 to March 31, 2026

₱8,000 – Walk-In/Onsite (May 2026)

Lock in your slots and save!

Payment Channels:

1. GCash: 0917 852 5394 Gregorio T.

Bank Transfer:BDO SM City Roxas

Account Number: 013480002042 Account Name: Gregorio L. Tan

Don't forget to register!

If you've already paid—thank you!









Register Now....



Early booking offer: Special rates on Flight, Hotel and Tour . Deposit required Sept 1, 2025 . Full payment by May 13,2026









Let's join the biggest gathering of Rotarians from around the world! Interested?

Reach out to **DGN Patrick Lee** for details.

TRIPLE YOUR IMPACT

The Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation will match every \$1 Rotary commits to polio eradication 2-to-1, up to \$50 million per year.

Your donation

\$25

The Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation

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\$50

Total contribution to fight polio

\$75

THAT CAN PURCHASE:

150

high-visibility vests to help identify health workers so they can safely administer vaccines

75

vaccine carriers to keep the polio vaccine cool and effective

600

purple markers to mark children's pinkies to show they've been immunized



"Rotary was the first organization to push for a polio-free world, and so many Rotarians have been part of fundraising, vaccination, and advocacy efforts. The final steps to a polio-free world are the hardest—and we'll need the help of every Rotarian to get there. But I'm confident that we will end polio together."

Bill Gates, co-chair of the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation

Clubs are encouraged to give \$1,500 or more annually to support polio eradication, and districts are encouraged to allocate 20 percent or more of their District Designated Funds each Rotary year. Clubs and districts that meet these criteria will receive a certificate of appreciation.

HOW TO HELP

LEARN. SHARE. DONATE.

endpolio.org





5 REASONS WHY WE MUST ERADICATE POLIO

1 YOUR GIFT WILL IMPROVE LIVES.

Today, 20 million people who would otherwise be paralyzed by polio are walking, and 1.5 million people who would otherwise have died are alive.

2 YOUR GIFT WILL INVEST IN THE FUTURE.

If all eradication efforts stopped today, within 10 years, polio could paralyze as many as 200,000 children each year. A polio-free world will be a healthier world for children everywhere.

3 YOUR GIFT WILL IMPROVE CHILD HEALTH.

Polio surveillance networks and vaccination campaigns also monitor children for other health problems, like vitamin deficiency and measles, so we can address them sooner.

4 YOUR GIFT WILL LOWER HEALTH CARE COSTS.

The global effort to eradicate polio has already saved more than \$27 billion in health care costs since 1988, and expects to save \$14 billion more by 2050.

5 YOUR GIFT WILL MAKE HISTORY.

Polio eradication will be one of history's greatest public health achievements, with polio following smallpox to become only the second human disease eradicated from the world.



At the end of the 1980s, more than 350,000 children were paralyzed by polio every year. Today, Rotary and its partners have reduced the incidence of polio by 99.9%. However, until we see the last of the poliovirus, eradication efforts need additional funding to:

IMMUNIZE

more than 400 million children against polio every year

IMPROVE

disease surveillance systems to detect any poliovirus in a person or the environment

HIRE

more than 150,000 health workers to go door to door to find every child

Donate now at endpolio.org





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ROTARACT CLUB OF ZAMBOANGA CITY WEST

The Rotaract Club of Zamboanga City West has been honored with the **Club Excellence Award for R.Y. 2024–2025**, duly recognized by Rotary International President Stephanie Urchick.

The club also received the **Rotaract Giving Certificate from The Rotary Foundation**, an award given to Rotaract clubs that contribute at least US\$100 in a Rotary year to support life-changing projects and grants worldwide.

These distinctions reflect our steadfast commitment to the Rotary motto "Service Above Self," as we continue to broaden our impact and inspire positive change in our community and beyond.

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INTERACT CLUB OF ZAMBOANGA CITY WEST

PROJECT HEART: A solidarity Relief Operation for Families Displaced by the Flood in Zamboanga City

With the ongoing rain and recent flood occurrence, the Interact Club of Zamboanga City West partners up with Abdul-Rahim Perez Anudin aiming to offer assistance to those affected by the current situation of Zamboangueños.

This Saturday afternoon, August 30, 2025, the relief packing was held at the Boy Scouts of the Philippines, Camp Limbaga, Brgy. Pasonanca

Let us continue to unite for good and offer genuine commitment to service — choosing to stay sensitive to those in vulnerable situations.

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ROTARACT CLUB OF SOUTHERN CITY COLLEGES

Rotaract Club of Southern City Colleges Launches Donation Drive for Habagat-Affected Families

The Rotaract Club of Southern City Colleges has initiated a Donation Drive to extend aid to families and communities heavily affected by the recent Habagat and flooding. This initiative underscores the club's commitment to service and compassion in times of need.

The donation drive seeks contributions of relief goods such as rice, canned goods, noodles, biscuits, bottled water, powdered milk, coffee, hygiene kits (soap, shampoo, toothpaste, sanitary napkins), clothes, blankets, slippers, and essential medicines including paracetamol, ORS, and first-aid supplies.

Donations may be dropped off at Southern City Colleges Main Campus until September 2, 2025.

For inquiries, donors may contact:

AL-QHAVIDZ A. AJAN

President, Rotaract Club of Southern City Colleges 0960-802-7724

Through this effort, the Rotaract Club of Southern City Colleges calls on the spirit of kindness and solidarity, believing that a strong community is built on compassion and helping hands. Together, we can spark hope and make a difference.

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Sunshine Announcements...

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!!

ROTARIAN'S

SEPTEMBER 2025

- 3 PDG James Makasiar
- 10 Rtn. Jonathan Lim
- 10 Rtn. Raul Regondola
- 12 Rtn. Erbie Fabian
- 14 Rtn. Balty Lanzaderas
- 19 Rtn. Jabs Abdulkarim
- 21 Rtn. Christopher Brian Ong
- 21 Rtn. Nick Paira
- 27 Rtn. Aljay Decano
- 29 PP John Anacan

SEPTEMBER 2025 HOLIDAYS

September 5— (Mauluddin Nabi) Muslim Legal Holiday

UPCOMING CLUB ACTIVITIES

September 26—Club Visit of Rotary Club of Incheon Kumdan, South Korea

September 26—District Governor's Visit

September 28— Zumba for a Cause in partnership with Rotary Anns Club of Zamboanga City West