



NEW GENERATIONS
YOUTH
EXCHANGE



NEW GENERATIONS EXCHANGES usually last from a few weeks to three months, making this a suitable option for recent secondary school graduates, young professionals, and Rotaractors. These exchanges may be arranged for individuals or groups and can involve homestays, tours, or camps. Exchanges can also include a vocational element, and some districts offer specialized internships, depending on where your exchange takes place.

New Generations exchanges provide the opportunity to learn about a different culture while fostering goodwill and understanding. You'll discover that the world is smaller than

you once thought, and that you can gain a great deal from the unique experience of being a Rotary Youth Exchange participant.

**MEET NEW FRIENDS
AND FORM
INTERNATIONAL
FRIENDSHIPS**

ELIGIBILITY

New Generations exchanges are open to students and young professionals ages 18-25. To qualify, applicants should be open-minded individuals who have demonstrated leadership in their community. Candidates should also possess qualities such as flexibility and a willingness to try new things that will enable them to fully experience life in another country and become excellent cultural ambassadors. All applicants must be sponsored by

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a local Rotary club and complete a written application and in-person interview.

PROGRAM COST

The program is completely administered by Rotary club members, keeping program expenses low. Costs vary depending on the district and country where the exchange occurs, so contact your local club or district for specific information. Typically, participants are expected to cover the following expenses:

- Round-trip airfare
- Travel insurance that includes medical, accident, and illness coverage and meets the requirements of the host and sponsor clubs and districts
- All travel documents, such as passports and visas
- Spending money, ancillary travel, and tours

HOW TO APPLY

Rotary Youth Exchanges are administered locally, and all applicants must be sponsored by a local Rotary club and district. Rotary clubs exist in more than 200 countries and geographical areas, and Youth Exchanges take place in nearly all of them. Check with your local club about whether it participates in the program. To find the club closest to you, use the Club Locator at www.rotary.org.

After you've spoken with your local Rotary club or your district Youth Exchange chair, Rotary club members from your area will ask you to complete a preliminary application. Your district chair and local club will help guide you through the application and interview process.

**EMBRACE NEW
EXPERIENCES
AND CULTURAL
DIFFERENCES**

WHAT IS ROTARY?

Rotary is a global network of community volunteers. Rotary club members are business, professional, and community leaders who provide humanitarian service, encourage high ethical standards, and help build goodwill and peace in the world. More than 33,000 clubs conduct projects to address today's challenges, including illiteracy, disease, hunger, poverty, lack of clean water, and environmental concerns. For more information, contact Rotary International staff at youthexchange@rotary.org.



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