



Vocational Service

Rotary International

Vocational Service is one of Rotary's Avenues of Service.

Through Vocational Service we:

- **Serve** others by using our unique skills to address community needs
- **Empower** others through training and skill development
- **Inspire** others to act with integrity by following Rotary's guiding principles

Vocational Service includes:

- Connecting our professions and professional networks with our Rotary club activities
- Using our expertise to address community problems and help others discover new vocational opportunities and interests
- Promoting Rotary's commitment to integrity in our professional as well as personal lives

Responsibilities

Professionals join a Rotary club as representatives of their particular business or profession.

Rotarians have a dual responsibility: represent their vocation within their club and to exemplify the ideals of Rotary in their place of business.



Rotary emphasizes integrity and high ethical standards. Two useful tools for assessing our performance in these areas are **The Four-Way Test** and the **Rotarian Code of Conduct**.

ROTARIAN CODE OF CONDUCT

As a Rotarian, I will:

1. Act with integrity and high ethical standards in my personal and professional life
2. Deal fairly with others and treat them and their occupations with respect
3. Use my professional skills through Rotary to mentor young people, help those with special needs, and improve people's quality of life in my community and in the world
4. Avoid behavior that reflects adversely on Rotary or other Rotarians



Vocational Service Project Ideas

- Host a business networking event with non-Rotarian professionals in your community.
- Offer career counseling for unemployed or underemployed adults.
- Give career guidance to young people (for example, hold a career day or start a mentoring program).
- Apply your professional skills to a project.



Join or Start a Rotary Fellowship

Rotary Fellowships are international groups of Rotarians who pursue a shared vocational or recreational interest.

[Join a Rotary Fellowship](#) related to your profession . If one doesn't exist, consider organizing one.



Join or Start a Rotarian Action Group

Rotarian Action Groups

are international groups of Rotarians, Rotary program participants, and alumni who help clubs plan and implement projects in a particular area of service.

[Join a Rotarian Action Group](#) to use your skills to support Rotary projects around the world.



The **Vocational Service newsletter**, a free quarterly e-publication, keeps Rotarians informed about:

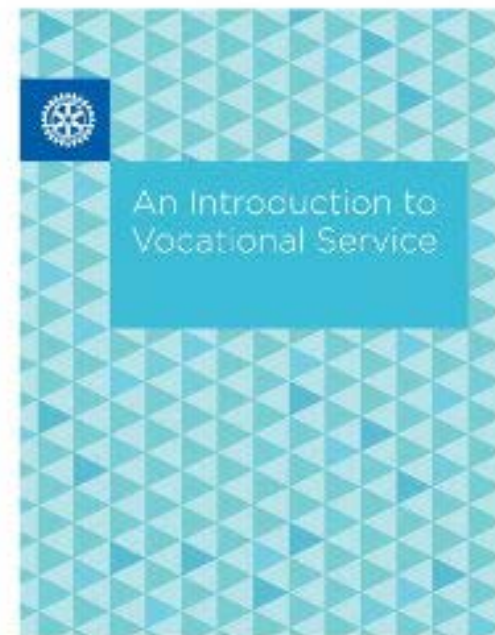
- Offering their professional skills to Rotary projects
- Supporting the professional development of individuals and communities in need
- Representing Rotary and promoting Rotary values in the workplace

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An Introduction to Vocational Service

This handy guide provides information, resources, and project ideas related to vocational service.

You can either **download** or **purchase** a copy.



Additional Resources

- Find support for a club vocational service project in [Rotary Ideas](#).
- Share your vocational service project successes on [Rotary Showcase](#) to inspire others and promote our collective efforts to improve communities around the world.
- Learn how to organize a vocational training team to conduct training and build capacity in collaboration with Rotarians in other parts of the world, using [Global Outlook: A Rotarian's Guide to Vocational Service](#).

Your district vocational service chair, appointed by your district governor, coordinates and promotes vocational service activities within the district.

To identify your district vocational service chair, and for questions, contact the Rotary Service Connections staff at rotary.service@rotary.org.