



# Membership Application

The Rotary Club of Rockford

[www.rockfordrotary.org](http://www.rockfordrotary.org)

New Member Application Form:

**Personal Information (To be completed by Applicant)**

Prospective Member Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Business (Check if preferred contact)

Business Name/Former employer (ret.): \_\_\_\_\_

Position or Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Business Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Business Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Business Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Residence (Check if preferred contact)

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Were you previously a Rotarian? O Yes O NO

If yes, Club name: \_\_\_\_\_

City and State: \_\_\_\_\_

**Sponsor (To be completed by Sponsoring Rotarian)**

Sponsoring Rotarian must be a member in good standing of the Rotary Club of Rockford and has determined that potential member has the desire and passion to become an active member of Rotary'.

As a sponsor, you are committing to ensuring that the applicant remains an engaged, active member of the club.

Sponsor's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

If part of a corporate membership, please list company name: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Congratulations!** You are considering joining Rotary, the world's oldest and largest service organization and specifically the Rotary Club of Rockford, Rockford, IL. Our Rotary Club dates to 1916.

### More than just luncheon meetings...

Membership in Rotary requires a consistent and ongoing commitment of your time

To get the most from Rotary, we also encourage you to serve on a committee, to attend some club Fellowship events and to work actively on a project or fundraising activity.

### A financial commitment...

Most Rotarians find they are committing far more than just annual dues to our club, Rotary International and our community activities. There are financial expectations to consider, before you commit to becoming a Rotarian:

#### Your annual commitment:

- Annual Dues = \$310.00 (1/2 due before July 1 and January 1)
- Annual dues for those under 40 years old \$210
- Wesley Willows Satellite dues \$240
- Lunch for downtown club are billed separately and Quarterly at \$50 monthly
- Donation goal to RI Foundation = \$100/member
- Donation goal to Polio Fund = \$50.00/member
- Various fellowship/club events = \$10-\$50

### "Service above Self"

Rotary is about much more than a networking club, although you will find that you make strong friendships and valuable business connections here. Rotarians are committed to making the world a better place, by applying their time, effort and financial resources to local and international projects.

All members of our club are expected at a minimum to commit to:

- Attendance at meetings
- Membership on a committee and attendance at committee meetings
- Active participation in projects

### Opportunities to get involved...

Once you've been a Rotarian for a while, and as you learn more about the club, you may find yourself motivated to become more involved:

- Service on the Club Board of Directors
- Attend other Rotary Club meetings
- Attend Area meetings
- Attend the annual District Conference, District Assemblies, and Leadership Training Seminars
- Attend the annual Rotary International Convention
- Serve on Area or District committees
- Host an exchange student for several months in your home
- Involve an exchange student in your family activities from time to time
- Travel overseas for PolioPlus vaccinations
- Lead an overseas Vocational Training Team

### Application Process...

A member in good standing of our club must "sponsor" you for membership. The process is as follows:

1. You attend up to three club meetings
2. You and your sponsor complete the application form and submit it
3. The Board of Directors will review your application and will announce to the Club that your name is standing for membership nomination
4. After two weeks without objection, you will be invited to Rotary School. Rotary School is a one-hour session, which provides you with an overview about rotary at the club
5. A formal induction ceremony will take place at the next club meeting, where you will receive your official welcome to the club, along with name badge, Rotary pin, etc.
6. Your dues are payable the day of your induction and are prorated based on month of induction at 1/12 annual dues/per month remaining in Rotary fiscal year.
7. Your sponsor, along with the membership committee, will help you fully participate in the club by introducing you to other members, answer any questions you may have and generally, make you feel at home.
8. There will also be opportunities for social events to help you become better acquainted with your new friends at Rotary.