

Grants Management Training Session 2022-2023

Global Scholarships and Peace Fellowships

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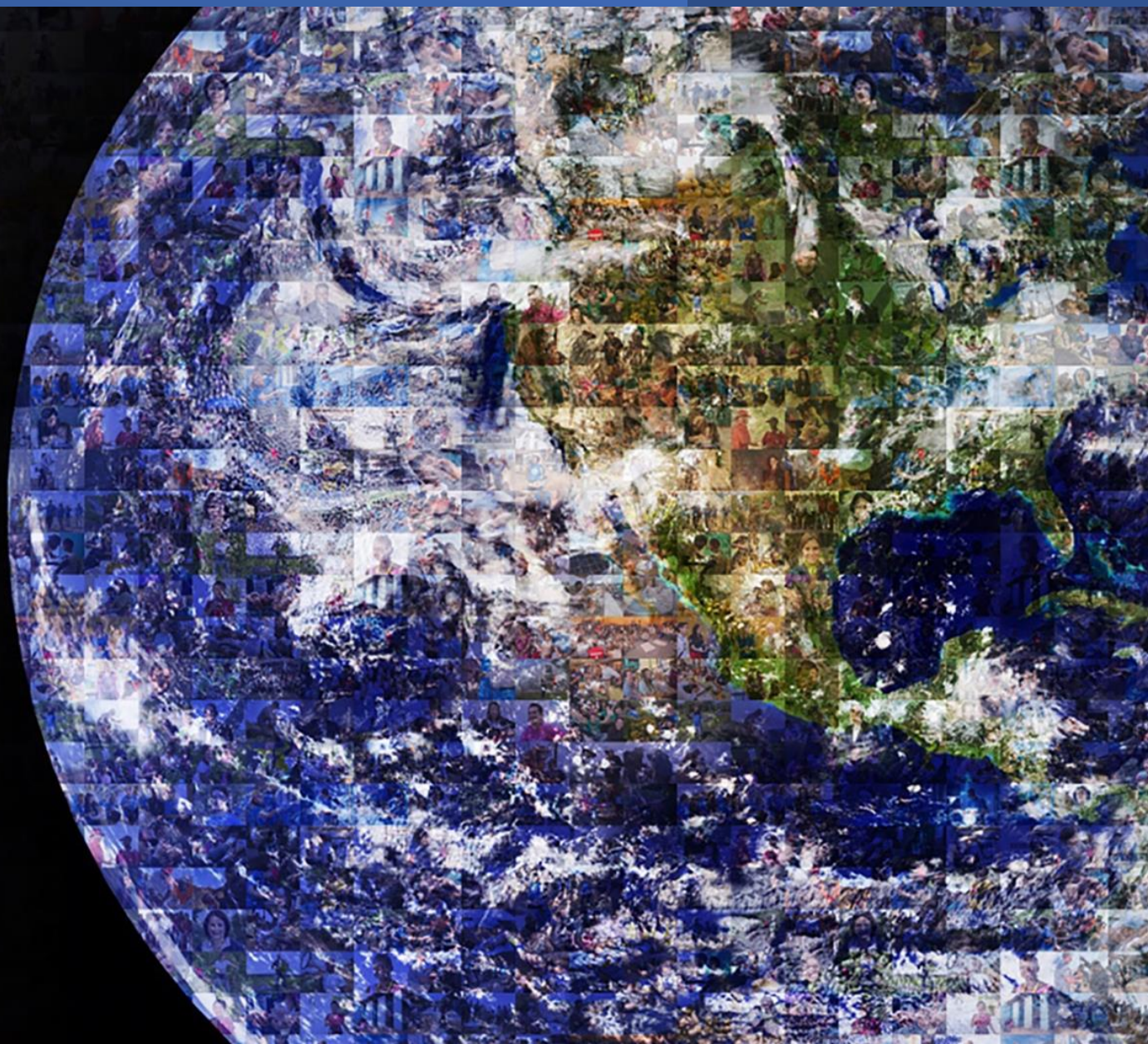
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PEACE:
The Big Picture



Mission of Rotary

- Service
- Integrity
- **World Understanding**
- **Goodwill**
- **Peace**



Vision of Rotary

- Unite
- Action
- Change
- **Globe**
- **Communities**
- **Ourselves**





NEGATIVE PEACE

Absence of direct violence. Absence of fear of violence.

GLOBAL PEACE INDEX



POSITIVE PEACE

Attitudes, institutions, and structures that sustain peace.

POSITIVE PEACE INDEX

Rotary's Areas of Focus = Peacebuilding



Promoting peace



Fighting disease



Providing clean water, sanitation,
and hygiene



Saving mothers and children



Supporting education



Growing local economies



Protecting the environment

District-wide Peacebuilding

- District Global Grant Scholarships
- Rotary Peace Fellowships
- Support for Rotary Peace Center
- District 7690 Youth and Peace Pilot Project





DISTRICT 7690 ROTARY GLOBAL GRANT SCHOLARSHIP CANDIDATE APPLICATION

ROTARY GLOBAL GRANT SCHOLARSHIPS



International graduate-level coursework or research

The scholarship total of \$30,000

Long-term commitment one of areas of focus

Excellent academic record, leadership skills, alignment of goals, commitment to Rotary

Faith Leslie 2020-2021 awardee



Requires international partnership

Need Club Champions

Assist in application process

Maintain contact and support

Potential for club-to-club friendship

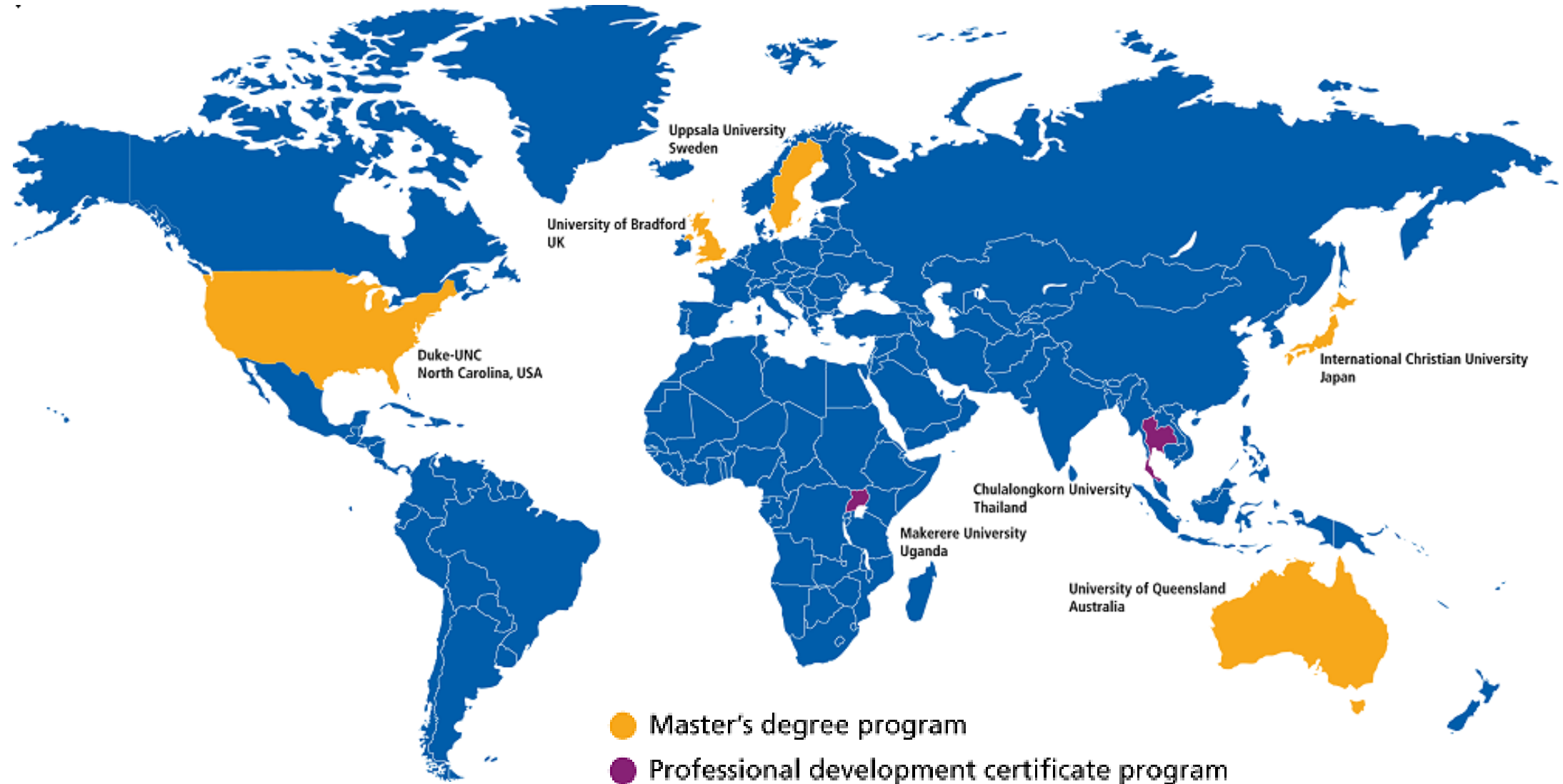
Applications open October



Rotary Peace Centers Fellowship

<https://my-cms.rotary.org/en/document/rotary-peace-fellowships-program-overview-and-update-presentation>

Rotary Peace Centers



Up to 130 Rotary Peace Fellows are chosen annually



Master's program:

- Those near the start of their careers
- 50 fellows per year (10 per center)
- 15-24 month course

Certificate program:

- Proven peace and development leaders
- 80 fellows per year (20 per cohort)
- One-year blended learning program intended for working professionals

<https://my.rotary.org/en/peace-fellowship-application>

- Commitment to peace and development
- Leadership potential
- Compatibility with fellowship objectives and fit with Rotary
- Certificate candidates only: Feasibility and impact of Social Change Initiative



ROTARY PEACE FELLOWSHIP

FULL FUNDING

for a master's degree or certificate in disciplines related to peace and development

The
Rotary
Foundation



APPLY NOW



Duke-UNC
rotary
peace
CENTER

One of seven Rotary Peace Centers worldwide

Each year the Center selects and trains Rotary Peace Fellows based on their ability to have a significant, positive impact on world peace and conflict resolution during their future careers.



District 7690
Youth and
Peace
Collaborative
Pilot Project
Mini-grants

Engage with community youth organizations

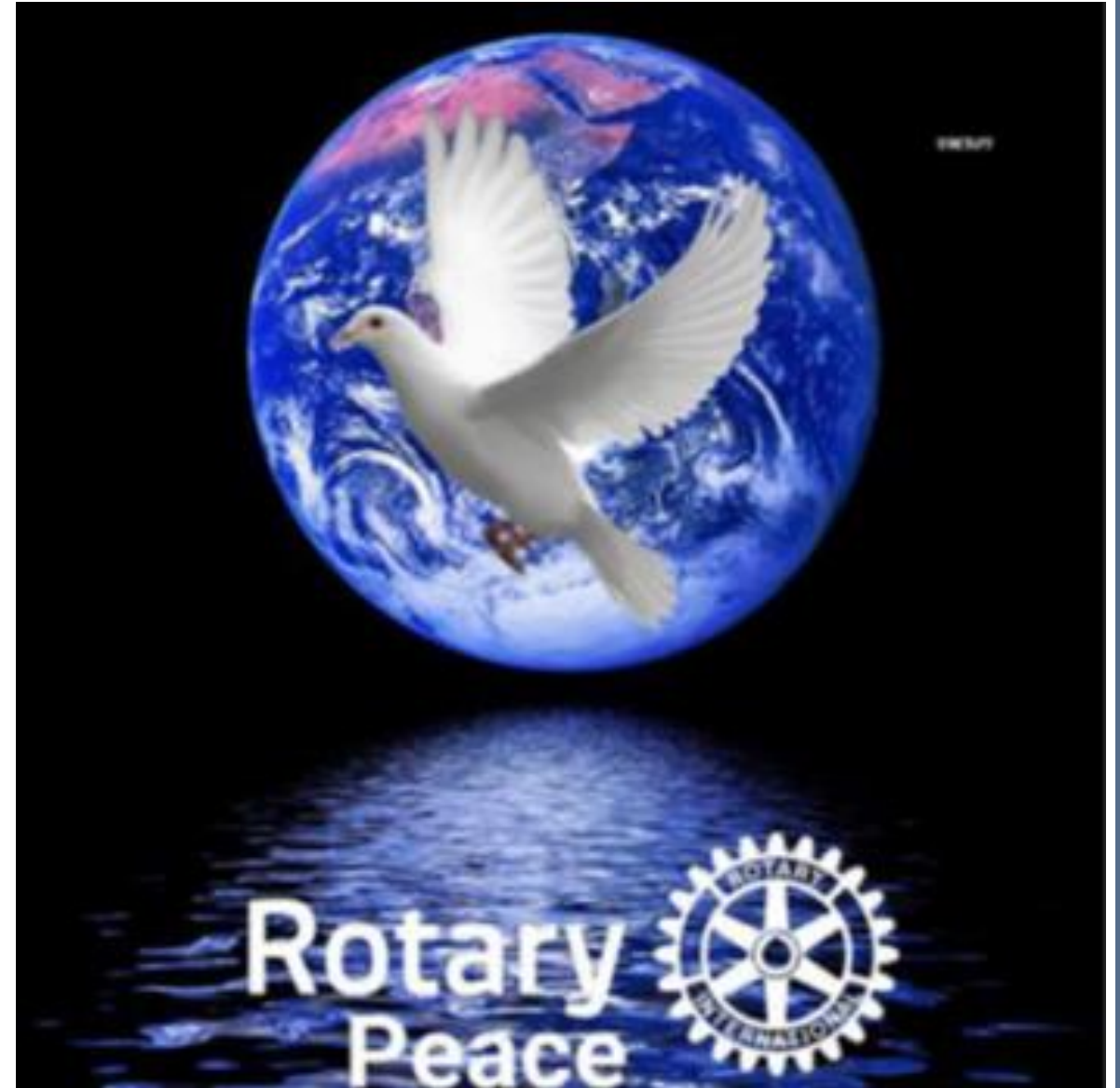
Learn about peacebuilding principles

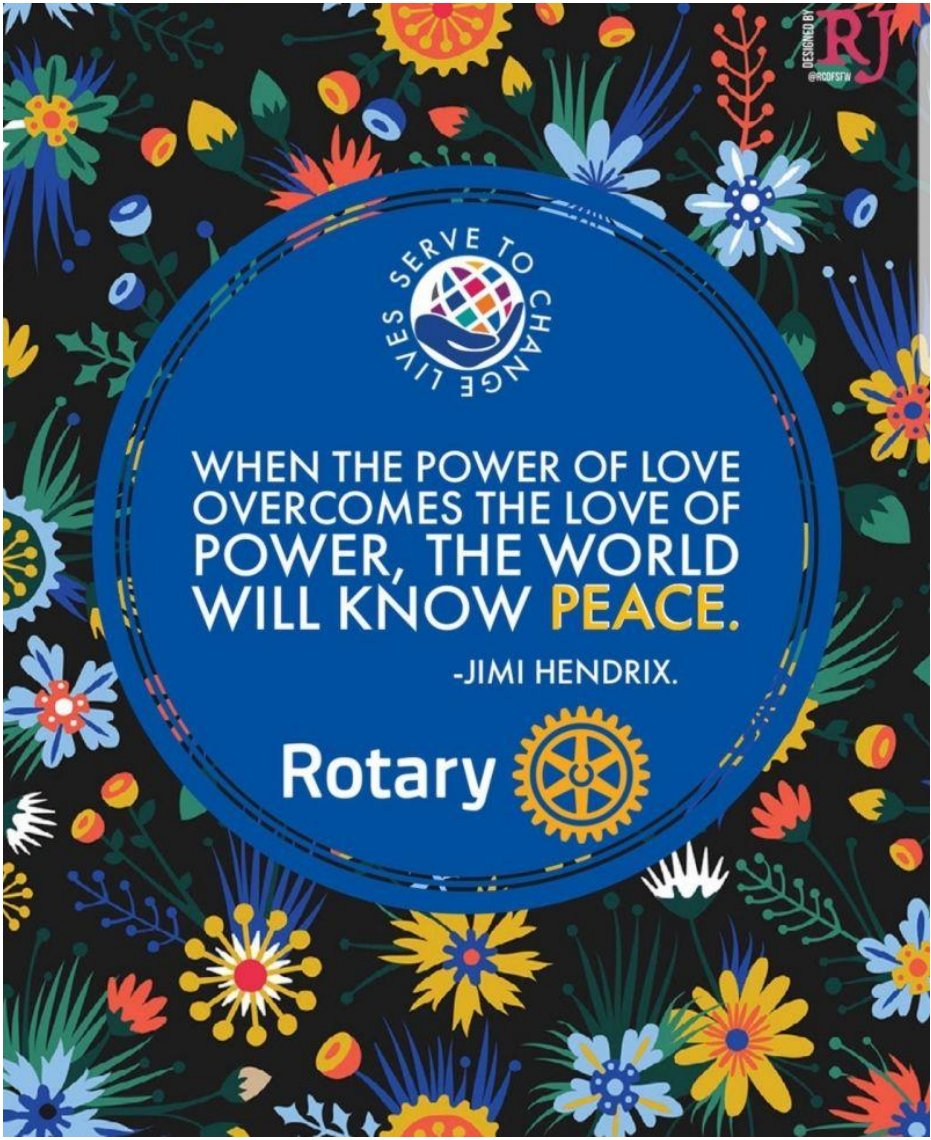
Take action to raise community awareness of the power of positive peace.



- Have a program on peace
- Work with your community to find candidates for:
 - Peace Fellows
 - Global Scholars
- Raise awareness in the community about Rotary and Positive Peace
- Become a Peace Builder Club
- Enroll in the Peace Academy

- Look for the big picture
- Apply the lens of peace
- Engage in peace opportunities
- Learn about peace





LIVES SERVE TO CHANGE

WHEN THE POWER OF LOVE
OVERCOMES THE LOVE OF
POWER, THE WORLD
WILL KNOW **PEACE.**

-JIMI HENDRIX.

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Global Scholarships and Peace Fellowships

PowerPoint Notes

1. How does peace figure in the big picture of Rotary, how can you be involved in some of the peacebuilding grant programs that our District supports, and what are some ways to make peace more top of mind? Let's start with Rotary's Mission Statement.
2. Officially our mission is "We provide service to others, promote integrity, and advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace through our fellowship of business, professional and community leaders." (<https://www.rotary.org/en/about-rotary>) **Peace is the cornerstone of Rotary's mission.** How about our Vision Statement?
3. "Together, we see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change — across the globe, in our communities, and in ourselves." (<https://www.rotary.org/en/about-rotary>) The presentations today make it clear that, through the **structure and funding of Rotary's Foundation** and the **power of Rotary as an international organization**, the projects that we are involved in have global, local and personal impact. And that impact makes us all **peacebuilders**. What does the word **Peace** mean?
4. "At its most basic, peace is an **open and nonviolent way of being**. Peace is both a **state of mind** and a **state of society** encompassing a wide range of actions." "Peace is associated with a range of values, from kindness and justice to safety, security, and freedom." Most commonly, we think of peace in terms of the "absence of something bad or the presence of something good." One way of describing this is to categorize the absence of violence or tension as **Negative peace**. And to categorize the presence of something good—that is, elements of an environment that allow human potential to flourish—as **Positive Peace**. There is a lot more to be said about the study of peace and Rotary's partnership with the Institute for Economics and Peace—but that is a topic for another day. (<https://my-cms.rotary.org/en/document/positive-peace-guide-district-conference-workshops>)
5. When we look at Rotary's areas of focus through the lens of peace, we see that successful service projects in any these areas can help address the underlying causes of peace and build Positive Peace. The projects that you carry out in your clubs and that are funded by **Foundation grants, support one or more of these focus areas**. So, In this way Rotary creates environments where people can flourish and peace can happen, through our individual actions, in our communities and across the globe. **Take away—You are all part of the big picture of peacebuilding.**

Now, in addition to all the opportunities to you have heard about so far today, here are 4 more ways you and your clubs can engage in peacebuilding through Rotary.

6. You can recruit and support graduate students to apply for a District/RI funded **Global Grant Scholarship**. You can recruit and support potential **Rotary Peace Fellows**. You can engage with and support students and programs of the **Duke/UNC Rotary Peace Center**. And you can get some ideas about how to engage your club with youth in a **peacebuilding project**.
7. Meet Faith. She was the recipient of the Global Grant Scholarship from District 7690 last year. She is now pursuing a Masters in International Affairs at the Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies in Bologna Italy. Her long-term goal is to work internationally in the Foreign Service.

Last May Faith graduated with honors from Elon University with a B.A. in Political Science, International and Global Studies, with an emphasis on international politics and European studies. Her senior thesis was on the impact of international intervention on ethnic reconciliation and post-war ethnic conflict. During her undergraduate years, she had practical experiences as an intern with several international non-profit research organizations that support peacebuilding. She did studies abroad in Ghana—to learn about West African History and Culture—and in Brussels, Belgium—to focus on the conflict resolution and prevention practices of NATO and the European Union. In her travels through Serbia, Bosnia-Herzegovina, and the Ukraine, Faith became interested in the problems of implementing effective programs of post-conflict diplomacy. It was her experience visiting a memorial to the 1995 genocide in Srebrenica, that proved transformative. The guide at the site was a man who had lost his entire family in that genocide yet was willing to relive his trauma for the sake of educating others. In her application, Faith said, “It showed me that diplomacy and peacebuilding are not just buzzwords but processes that can save lives.”

Faith was an excellent candidate for the Global Grant Scholarship. Her previous work, volunteer experience, proposed academic study and career plans are in one of the seven Rotary Areas of Focus—in her case Peace and Conflict Prevention. She has an excellent academic record, leadership skills, a long-term commitment this is in alignment with the focus area, and a commitment to maintaining a relationship with Rotary.

The scholarship award is for a total of \$30,000--\$18,000 from District Designate Funds, \$12,000 from RI World Fund, and it will be spread over the two years of international study in her Masters Program. Selection is a two-step process. Applications are solicited beginning in October and due on Feb. 15 to our Global Grants Committee. The Committee reviews and selects one to be forwarded to RI. With their approval the grant is made for study beginning in fall. We will begin the process again in Oct 2022 for a scholarship to start in the fall of 2023.

8. What can all this mean for you and your club?

Just like other Global Grants there is a partnership between a Club in our District and Club in District of the foreign university that the scholar will be attending. On our end a club may want to be involved at the beginning by recruiting a candidate and assisting them in the application process. As is the case this year, we also get applications from students at colleges and universities in the area. So, we will need a club to be the “international sponsor” on our end. That club is responsible for maintaining contact with the scholar, supporting them with notes and encouragement, receiving the grant funds and dispensing them, reporting as needed. It’s a great way to build a friendship with a young person who we hope will become a Rotarian in the future. And there is a Potential for International fellowship with the host club in the foreign county that welcomes and supports the scholar there.

You don’t have to be a big club to do this. This year Sandhills and Graham clubs partnered to sponsor Faith. No funding is required, but we did set up a small emergency fund and we have sent her a Christmas gift and a few care packages. Since we could not give Faith a send-off at the airport, the Sandhills Club sent her the picture you see in the top of the slide. When she arrived, her host club welcomed her. She attended and spoke at a meeting and exchanged banners. She keeps in touch with blog posts and emails which we have shared in the District newsletter. There is a handout with the details about being a Club Champion.

9. Another way that clubs can be involved in supporting the study of peace is to promote the Rotary Peace Fellowship program. Rotary has a great PowerPoint presentation that you can read and/or share with your club with all the details. I’m just going to give a few highlights. (<https://my-cms.rotary.org/en/document/rotary-peace-fellowships-program-overview-and-update-presentation>)
10. Since the Rotary Peace Centers began in 2002, more than 1,500 people have graduated from the programs and are working on peace and development initiatives in more than 115 countries. After rigorous academic training, practice, and global networking opportunities, graduates work in many different environments such as governments, non-profits, NGOs, think tanks, research groups, and educational settings. By creating a network of trained peacebuilders and community leaders dedicated to preventing and resolving conflicts around the world, Rotary has an impact on global peacebuilding.

There are **seven Rotary Peace Centers** at **eight universities**. Five centers offer **master’s degrees** in disciplines related to **peace and development**: A joint program at Duke University and the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill, USA; International Christian University, Japan; University of Bradford, England; University of Queensland, Australia; Uppsala University, Sweden. Two centers, at Chulalongkorn University in Thailand and Makerere University in Uganda, offer a **post-graduate diploma/certificate** in **peace and development**.

11. February is the month when the annual application period opens for Rotary Peace Fellowships. Up to 130 Rotary Peace Fellows are selected each year, **50 fellows** are assigned to a **master's program** (10 per center) that lasts from **15 months to two years** and is designed for those near the start of their peacebuilding careers. Up to **80 fellows** are selected to participate in the **one-year post-graduate certificate program**, with two cohorts of up to 20 fellows participating at each of the two certificate centers, designed for those with proven experience and specific projects to pursue.

12. Now let me introduce Zahid. (I do not have a picture yet.)

Districts can and our District does have a Rotary Peace Fellowship Sub-Committee under the Foundation Committee. The role of this committee is to facilitate the endorsement of candidates who apply for the Fellowship who live in the district. On occasion, applicants may reside in a country that does not have a District presence. They are referred to District Subcommittees that have agreed to accept at-large candidates for review. This was the case for District 7690 in June of 2021 when the committee received the application for a resident of Afghanistan.

Zahid grew up in and graduated from high school in Kabul. He studied in Kyrgyzstan, first for a B.A. in International and Comparative Politics at the American University of Central Asia, followed by a M.A. in Political Science from the OSCE (Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe) Academy. His Masters thesis was on the Role of Peace Jirgas (traditional councils) in the process of peace and reconciliation in Afghanistan. Up until August of 2021, Zahid had amassed 11 years of experience in peace and development work in government public service in Afghanistan and the surrounding region. His latest position was as the Coordinator for Peace Affairs and Regional Organizations in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. By the way, Zahid speaks Pashto, Persian, Urdu, Russian, and fortunately—English.

Zahid has 35 years of lived experiences in war that have exposed him to the realities of armed conflict from birth through to adulthood. He has witnessed first-hand the devastation of war and its impact on his people. Rather than live a life of victimhood, what he conveyed through his application, his interview, and his life actions, is a continued passion, optimism and a desire to work for peace.

Zahid made a commitment to peace in his critical leadership role, exemplifying courage and resolve in publicly speaking out for peace and development and in his efforts to secure consensus on regional peace. The committee felt that his life experience and knowledge of conflict is as valuable to Rotary as his Peace Fellowship will be to him, resulting in a mutually beneficial exchange of knowledge, talent, and goodwill.

As a result of all these qualities, Zahid was one of the 130 candidates chosen out of 600 applicants for the 2022/24 cohort of Peace Fellows. More about Zahid in a minute.

This year, the application window for the 2023/25 cohort is now open until May 15 for candidates to apply. You have some handouts with more information about this. Do you know someone in your community who has these qualifications—perhaps an individual who works with an organization your club has supported with grants or service? Encourage them to apply.

13. District 7690 is a Peace Builder District. Through DDF, we provide financial support that sustains the Peace Fellowship program, and we have a Peace Center right in our backyard—the only one in the Western Hemisphere. I am embarrassed to admit I was in Rotary over 20 years before I knew this. This center is unique in that it is a joint program at Duke University and the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill. As someone pointed out to me—if those two rivals can collaborate on peace, then there is truly hope for us all.

One way to really understand the impact of the program is to attend their next annual conference which will be held in person and virtually on April 9, 2022 and showcases the projects of the graduating scholars. (<https://rotarypeacecenternc.org/events/conference/>) You will not believe how these amazing students and alumni are changing the world. Also, now that pandemic restrictions on travel are being lifted, there are opportunities for our clubs to engage more directly with the scholars. We can invite them to speak to our clubs and host them in the district when they are on break.

So, this brings us back to Zahid. Normally, a Peace Fellow studies in a university that is not in their home country. No Fellow we have endorsed before was studying here. But, guess where Zahid is going to be studying!! We have an unusual and exciting opportunity to assist and support him and his family--his wife and 2 sons—when they come to North Carolina. We will be sending out information about opportunities to do this in the next few months.

14. Finally, this year we were fortunate to have some of the District Block Grant funds designated for a Youth and Peace mini-project. The purpose of the project was for Rotary Clubs to engage with youth in their Interact, Rotaract, or other organizations to learn about peacebuilding principles. Then to take action together to create a project that raises community awareness of the power of positive peace.

Three Clubs committed to the project and are sharing the grant funds. Each plan is unique to the community it serves: Mount Airy is building on previous celebrations of community diversity, incorporating student art and engagement to create a long-envisioned community Peace Park; Gates City's project will mitigate the impact the COVID pandemic has had on students' mental health by creating a healing retreat space; and Graham has found a way to connect with students at school despite pandemic restrictions that limit in-person contact.

The projects will be on display at the House of Friendship at the District Conference. I hope you will take the opportunity to learn about this effort and think of replicating it in your clubs.

15. I hope you might be inspired by some of what I have shared today. We all have some reason why we have chosen to be here this morning. I'm here today and I am because of my passion for peace and how the power of Rotary builds peace. I hold the hope that the same collective action of 1.2 million Rotarians that has been able to almost defeat Polio will be the able to bring our world to more enduring peace. I'm happy to talk with anyone further or to speak at your club. (lynn.thompson.rotary@gmail.com)

16. Remember the big picture--you are all peacebuilders. Apply the lens of peace to all you do and consider engaging in opportunities to support Global Grant Scholars, Rotary Peace Fellows, and the Peace Center. Take the opportunity to learn more about peacebuilding project.
17. A fellow Rotarian shared this graphic with me, and though there is some doubt about the authenticity of the source, it's still a good motto to reflect on.

Some of you may be thinking about the current world news. I did find a statement issued on Feb. 13 by RI pertinent for today:

We are gravely concerned by the escalating tensions between Russia and Ukraine, and by the imminent prospect of an armed conflict. As the world is still reeling from the global pandemic, a war in Europe, by all accounts, would lead to tragic consequences for the region and would have a devastating impact on civilian populations and on humanity as a whole.

As one of the world's largest humanitarian organizations, we have made peace the cornerstone of our global mission. War is not a good option for resolving disputes among nations and peoples. We join the international community in calling for de-escalation and strongly support urgent and robust diplomatic efforts to resolve this conflict through dialogue.

In the past decade, Rotary clubs in Ukraine, Russia, and nearby countries have transcended national differences and have actively engaged in peace building projects to promote goodwill and to marshal assistance for the victims of war and violence. We will continue these efforts and, with our utmost resolve, we will endeavor to contribute to a peaceful solution to this crisis.

Rotary International

13-Feb-2022

District 7690 Peace Building Resource Guide 2021-2022

Rotary's Mission Statement: We provide service to others, promote integrity, and advance **world understanding, goodwill, and peace** through our fellowship of business, professional, and community leaders.

Rotary's Vision Statement: Together, we see a world where people **unite and take action to create lasting change** — across the globe, in our communities, and in ourselves.

Peace building is the essence of the work of Rotary. When we look at Rotary's seven areas of focus through the lens of peace, we see that successful service projects in any of these areas can promote peace by addressing the underlying causes of conflict, violence, and fear of violence.

District 7690 takes action to support peace building in these ways:

We are a [Peace Builder District](#). Our District provides financial support that sustains the seven Peace Centers around the world, and we have a special connection to the only center in the Western Hemisphere — a combined program at Duke/UNC-CH. Rotarians in our District attend the center's annual conference in April to hear presentations of graduating scholars. Local scholars are invited to provide informational programs to clubs. Our clubs can assist them when they arrive in our country and host them in the District during their academic breaks.

Clubs look within their communities to identify and sponsor potential candidates for the 130 fully funded [Peace Fellowships](#) to study in Master's degree or certificate programs for careers in peace and development. Club programs educate members about the [Role of Rotarians](#) in recruiting and supporting Fellows. Key dates are recruitment of candidates from February through May 15, with applications due to RI on May 15 and final selections made in November for study beginning the following academic year.

Clubs have another opportunity to recruit applicants for a District-funded [Global Grant Scholarship](#) in the amount of \$30,000 to pursue international graduate-level coursework or research. Study may be in any of Rotary's areas of focus, with the goal of a long-term commitment to working in the chosen area. Details are posted on the [District website](#).

Rotary service at the local level is enhanced when we look at it through the lens of peace building. Clubs can become part of the network of [Peacebuilder Clubs](#) and use the resources of [Rotarian Action Group For Peace](#) and the [Institute for Economics and Peace](#) to increase community engagement and the effectiveness of service projects. Details on applying for this status are found on the [RAGFP website](#).

This year clubs also had the opportunity to apply for a District [Youth and Peace Collaborative Mini-Grant](#) to **engage** with community youth organizations, **learn** about peacebuilding principles, and **take action** to raise community awareness of the power of positive peace.

To receive and share information about peacebuilding in the district and connect with other clubs on peacebuilding initiatives, contact Peace Committee Chair Lynn Thompson at lynn.thompson.rotary@gmail.com.

Your Club can be a District 7690 Global Grant Scholarship* Club Champion!

- **Participate** in the process to nominate a student for a scholarship to fund graduate study abroad in one of the fields related to Rotary's seven Areas of Focus.
- **Support** future leaders who will have an impact on the causes Rotary promotes.
- **Experience** the "I" in RI by partnering with the sponsor club in the scholar's county of study.

What the Club Does

- Clubs are **not required to raise any local funds for this grant**, though they may wish to augment the scholarship. District Designated Funds drawn from the 2021-22 Rotary year are available for the required \$18,000 match to the minimum award of **\$30,000** for a Rotary Foundation Global Grant Scholarship. This grant cycle is for studies to begin in August, September, or October of 2022.
- Clubs may **identify and recruit** potential scholars from their own local contacts. **OR**
- They may **work with a candidate** referred from area universities through the District Global Grant Scholarship Committee.
- Clubs **meet** with the candidate and **assist** them in the District's application process.
- **If** the application is **selected** by the District to submit to the Rotary Foundation for the matching grant, the Club will **appoint two members** to work with Committee for the remainder of the application process and—if successful—for the duration of the scholar's study period.
- Interested clubs are encouraged to [contact the Committee](#) to be paired with a candidate or for more information.

Applicant Eligibility

- See the [District 7690 Rotary Global Grant Scholarship Candidate Application](#) for an overview.
- Review the **Applicant's Certification** on the last page of the application regarding Rotary's conflict of interest policy. In general, scholars may not be Rotarians or related to Rotarians.
- Per RI documentation: "Global grant scholars plan to pursue a career in an area of focus, and their graduate-level educational goals should support this career interest. Pursuing a career in an area of focus means the scholar has a long-term commitment to measurable, sustainable change. Be sure the candidate's previous work or volunteer experience, academic program, and career plans are strongly aligned with one of the seven areas of focus."

Application Process

- Clubs email the application of the candidate they have vetted to the [District Global Grant Scholarship Committee Primary Contact](#) by the deadline of **February 15, 2022**.
- The Committee will review applications and conduct candidate interviews by Zoom. The Committee will notify the selected candidate and club to continue the application process by **March 15, 2022**. Those not selected will also be notified.
- Champion Club members will join the Committee to continue the process of contacting a host sponsor club/district and completing the application process on My.Rotary.org. The application can be submitted to the Foundation as soon as the candidate supplies a letter of acceptance from their university of choice, but no later than the deadline of **June 30, 2022**.
- Applicants are notified within several weeks of their submission.

*This process assumes that the District is the Sponsor. If a club wishes to sponsor the application, and assume full responsibility for the process, the club will need to be qualified by the Rotary Foundation. Contact [Russell Guy](#) or [Lynn Thompson](#) if your club is interested in this option.



Join us in promoting the 2023 Rotary Peace Fellowships!

The [2023 Rotary Peace Fellowship](#) application is now available. This fully funded fellowship provides peace and development leaders with the knowledge, skills, and networks they need in order to build peace globally.

Here are some ways you can help promote the program and recruit candidates:

- Share the [application announcement](#) with club members, colleagues, and friends.
- If you know someone who might be interested in applying, send us their name and email address using the [referral form](#), and we'll contact them with more information.
- Give a talk about the Rotary Peace Centers to organizations in your community. A [Rotary Peace Centers presentation](#) is available in several languages.
- Follow us on the [Rotary Peace Centers Facebook](#) page and share updates on your own social media accounts.

As we expand our [certificate program](#), we are particularly seeking qualified candidates for the peace centers at Chulalongkorn University in Thailand and Makerere University in Uganda. The one-year program at these centers is intended for working professionals and requires 11 weeks of on-site participation. Candidates should have a minimum of five years of relevant work experience (the average age of participants in this program is 42). Upon completion, participants receive a postgraduate diploma in peace studies.

Interested candidates should submit their applications to Rotary districts by 15 May. All qualified applications will be sent to Rotary endorsers, who will interview candidates and submit endorsement decisions to The Rotary Foundation by 1 July. Learn more about the [district interview and endorsement process](#).

Now Accepting Applications for the 2023 Rotary Peace Fellowship - [Apply Now!](#)

Promoting peace is one of Rotary's main causes. The fully funded [Rotary Peace Fellowship](#), which covers tuition and living expenses, increases the capacity of existing leaders to prevent and resolve conflict by offering academic training, field experience, and professional networking.

Up to 130 fellows are selected every year in a globally competitive process based on personal, academic, and professional achievements. Fellows earn either a master's degree or a post-graduate diploma in peace and development studies at one of the seven Rotary Peace Centers, located at leading universities around the world.

Over 1,500 program alumni are working in more than 115 countries as leaders in national governments, nongovernmental organizations, education and research, law enforcement, media and the arts, and international organizations such as the United Nations.

[Master's degree](#)

- 15-24 month program, small-group classroom learning, in fields related to peace and development
- Intended for leaders near the start of their careers
- 50 fellows selected annually to study at one of five Rotary Peace Centers at partner universities, which offer interdisciplinary curricula with research-informed teaching
- 2-3 month field study experience to develop practical skills
- Fellows connect with an international cohort of fellows, thought leaders, and a global network of Rotarians

[Professional development certificate](#)

- Yearlong program for working professionals that blends online learning, in-person classes, and an independent project, based at a Rotary Peace Center in Thailand or Uganda
- Intended for social change leaders with extensive experience working in peace-related fields
- 80 fellows selected annually to earn a post-graduate diploma in peace and development studies
- Interdisciplinary program includes a two-week online preliminary course, 10 weeks of on-site courses with field studies, a nine-month period during which fellows implement a social change initiative (with interactive online sessions), and an on-site capstone seminar

Eligibility: Take the [eligibility quiz](#).

Qualified candidates must:

- Have three years of related work experience for the master's program
- Have five years of related work experience for the certificate program and be able to explain how their plan to promote peace aligns with Rotary's mission (Candidates for Makerere University must either be from Africa, have worked in Africa, or work with African communities or initiatives outside the continent.)
- Be proficient in English
- Have a bachelor's degree
- Demonstrate leadership skills
- Have a strong commitment to cross-cultural understanding and peace

Candidates must have at least three years between the completion of their most recent academic degree program (undergraduate or graduate degree) and their intended start date for the fellowship. Candidates currently enrolled in an undergraduate or graduate program are not eligible to apply.



Applications for the 2023-24 academic term need to be submitted by 15 May 2022. Please write to rotarypeacecenters@rotary.org with questions.

If you know someone who might be a good candidate for this fellowship, please submit a [referral form](#) with their name and email address. We'll contact them with information on how to apply. Thank you for supporting our program.