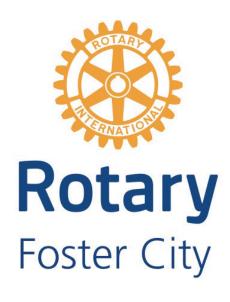


he Rotary Club of Foster City is made up of "People of Action." The Club participates in projects that benefit communities locally and around the world.

Internationally, Rotarians are made up of 1.2 million neighbors, friends, and community leaders who come together to create positive, lasting change in local communities and around the world. Rotarians come from a diverse background and unite to exchange new ideas, apply expertise, and implement improvements that transform communities.

Rotary's signature project is their fight against polio. In 1988, Rotary International had a dream of fighting and eradicating polio forever. Forty years later through Rotary's efforts, polio has been reduced by 99.9%. Recently, the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation has joined Rotary and matches donations, dollar for dollar. Foster City Rotarians along with thousands of others from around the world, travel to India, Pakistan, Afghanistan, Nigeria and other places where Polio still exists.



The Club participates in many projects benefiting the community. Each year they provide illustrated dictionaries to third grade students. Working with the San Mateo High Interact Club, the Rotary Club of Foster City installs playgrounds at the Yurok Indian Reservation. Before the Rotarians started this project, there were no playgrounds for the Yurok children to use or enjoy. Thanks to the efforts of local Rotarians, there will soon be five playgrounds. This project not only provides recreation activity to the Yurok children, but also teaches San Mateo High students how to plan, serve, and lead.

Joining a Rotary Club is also a great way to meet new friends and have a great time. The Club has several socials throughout the year, and takes trips to see plays, sporting events, and other fun places.

Rotary also provides its members with a great way to develop your business and organizational skills. Through the Potential Rotary Leaders Seminars ("PRLS") you can learn valuable skills such as communications, public speaking, organization, and much more. These skills go beyond Rotary and are useful in any field.

The Rotary Means Business Program provides ways to meet fellow business leaders and professionals in your community and beyond. Club meetings, regional Rotary Means Business Meetings, and other conferences will give you the opportunity to network with others and learn about the business climate. You can attend a Rotary International Convention and meet leaders from more than 33,000 Rotary clubs in over 200 countries.

## Helping the community

- Distribute food to those in need
- Clean up Highway 92
- Support the local Boy Scout troops
- Tend to the roses in Leo Ryan Park and at the Foster City Library
- Provide close to \$20,000 annually in scholarships to local students
- Provide grant monies to numerous charitable organizations, as well as the Foster City elementary schools, and Bowditch Middle School

Rotary provides a path to serve your community, participate in global projects, network with others, learn important skills, but most of all - HAVE FUN!!

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