

Rotary District 7255 encompasses the land mass of Long Island, from the Verrazano and Brooklyn Bridges, to the Lighthouses of the East End. We have 1600 members representing 70 different clubs.

Several District wide initiatives launched here:

Rotacare - an organization of medical experts and volunteers who facilitate free health care for the relief of pain and suffering to those who have the most need and the least access to medical care

Camp Pa-Qua-Tuck - a summer camp dedicated to the benefit of special needs individuals of Long Island and beyond

Gift of Life - providing cardiac care to children around the world who otherwise would not be served

General Needs - helps thousands of homeless Long Island Veterans and their families with a primary focus on providing the basic necessities that are missing in the everyday lives of our homeless veterans.

We are dedicated to providing our community with Rotary International Programs: **Rotary Youth Leadership Awards** - a leadership ladder dedicated to the advancement of teens through fellowship, program, and teamwork. RYLA is a leadership development program for young people who want to learn new skills, build their confidence, and have fun.

Youth Exchange Program -builds peace one young person at a time. Students learn a new language, discover another culture, and truly become global citizens. Exchanges for students ages 15-19 are sponsored by Rotary clubs in more than 100 countries.

Interact - Interact clubs bring together young people ages 12-18 to develop leadership skills and learn about the world through service projects and activities.

Rotaract - Rotaract clubs bring together young people ages 18 and older to exchange ideas with leaders in the community, develop leadership and professional skills, and have fun through service.

Through our giving to The Rotary Foundation we are able to provide mini grants to support our Clubs' projects. These projects directly touch the lives of the communities Rotary Clubs exist in, ranging from literacy projects providing dictionaries and reading buddy programs for elementary school students, arranging meal packaging events and serving meals to community members at local food pantries, creating holiday events for children with special needs, organizing school supply drives for families and children, providing safe drinking water in local community parks, assisting homeless men with proper dress and vocation skills to return to the workforce, and collaborating with local schools to identify students most in need of winter coats, hats, scarves and gloves.