

Dear Fellow Rotarians,

I am happy to announce an upcoming Friendship Exchange with Rotary District 2490 located in Israel. Listed below are the specific details of this exchange.

If you are interested in participating on this RFE you must fill out the RFE application on the next page and email it to roseq40@aol.com no later than January 18, 2020. Please answer all questions on this application.

Due to the popularity of this program we have developed specific selection criteria in order that there is fair opportunity for everyone to participate.

Selection Criteria and RFE Rules & Guidelines are attached for your reference and information.

Everyone can apply to participate on a Rotary Friendship Exchange.

Yours in Rotary,

Rose Quaranta

D7255 RFE Co-Chair

RFE Israel District 2490 Details:

Dates: USA to Israel – July 6-17, 2020 - Israel to USA – October 2-14, 2020

Team: Mostly couples, few singles, no children.

Financial Responsibilities: Airfare, meals eaten outside of host family home, transportation outside of District 2490, possible hotel accommodations, entrance fees to tourist attractions.

Proposed Itinerary District 2490 – Israel: Tiberias, Nazareth, Acre, Caesaria, Haifa, Nahariya, Tel Aviv, Jerusalem.

APPLICATION ROTARY FRIENDSHIP EXCHANGE

Application to participate on RFE with District 2490 Israel – July 6-17, 2020

Please type all answers and email to roseq40@aol.com Return no later than January 18, 2020.

1. Date:
2. Name/Names:
3. Couple or Single:
4. Rotary Club:
5. Home Address:
6. Email Address:
7. Cell #:
8. Home #:
9. All previous RFE Participation: Please specify country/countries of RFE's, how many guests, date and year.

Traveled on a previous RFE, where and when?

Hosted inbound guests?

Hosted a group dinner, luncheon, cocktail party?

Chaperoned an RFE outing without driving?

Driver & Chaperone RFE Outing combined?

Outbound Team Leader?

Inbound Team Treasurer?

Supplies/Materials Coordinator? (give specifics)

Exchange Organizer (coordinated entire exchange Inbound/Outbound)

10. Are you prepared to host a member or members of the Inbound Team?

11. Do you agree to attend monthly RFE Planning meetings and assist in the planning of the itinerary of the Inbound Team?

12. In a few words please explain why you are interested in participating on this Friendship Exchange –



Selection Criteria – Rotary Friendship Exchange

1. Participant application is required and must be submitted by indicated due date. Applications received after the due date will be considered if there are still vacancies on a team at the end of the selection process.
2. Participant cannot travel on more than one RFE per calendar year unless there is an emergency place to fill, or if there are still vacancies on a team at the end of the selection process.
3. Participant selection are based on the actual agreement between both exchange partners. (i.e. 12 persons - mostly couples & few singles, only couples & no singles, etc.)
4. Applicants with the highest accumulated points will be preferred for team member and in combination with all Selection Criteria listed in this document. Point schedule is stated below.
5. Four spots on each RFE team consisting of 12 persons will be reserved for Rotarians completely new to the program with no previous points (couples and/or singles). These spots will be chosen in order of date the application is received.
6. Participant selection from the RFE Wait List (applicants who were not selected) will be considered based on their points and all selection criteria stated in this document if there is an opening on the team in which a selected applicant has to step down.

RFE Point Schedule:

<u>Points</u>	<u>Category</u>
3.0	Hosting of 1 couple or 1 single
1.0	Hosting of extra couple or single person
2.0 Per event	Hosting a group dinner, luncheon, cocktail party at private home
1.0 Per outing	Chaperone an RFE outing without driving
2.0 Per outing	Driver & chaperone RFE outing combined
3.0	Outbound Team Leader
2.0	Inbound Team Treasurer from District 7255
2.0	Supplies/Materials Coordinator (brochures, badges, shirts, gifts etc.)
6.0	Exchange Organizer (coordinate entire exchange Inbound/Outbound)

Points earned never expire.

RULES AND GUIDELINES of RFE

- 1.** The Rotarians in the district are invited to participate in Rotary Friendship Exchanges. These are group exchanges on a district level intended to increase the contact between Rotarians from different parts of the world and to stimulate the understanding between people from different cultures and with different backgrounds.
- 2.** Interested participants are selected based upon specified Selection Criteria found on the District Website.
- 3.** District RFE Chairs will organize and coordinate all exchanges.
- 4.** An agreement on the group size, length of exchange and other conditions of the exchange will be agreed upon by both district chairs from each country before the exchange.
- 5.** The basic agreement of expenses for both Outbound & Inbound participants unless specified differently is:
 - Airline tickets, passport and visa costs.
 - Entrance fees to tourist attractions.
 - Overnight stays in hotels that may be needed in accordance with the itinerary presented by the District Chairs.
 - Gifts to hosts and inbound guests.
 - Meals at Rotary Meetings.
 - Meals outside the homes of the hosts.
 - Transports to and from the visiting district. (train, ferry, cab etc.)
 - For transports within the districts the agreement might be, that participants shall travel by minibus at their own cost.
- 6.** Outbound participants are responsible for:
 - Hosting an inbound couple or single and helping to find additional host families.
 - Attending planning meetings.
 - Assist in the planning of the Inbound Itinerary.
- 7.** Host Families are required to provide room & board and transportation to/from specified activities for inbound guests.