Rotary District 3780

ISSUE AUGUST/26

GOVERNOR'S MONTHLY LETTER

CREATE LASTING IMPACT



Walking the Path of Impact

An inside look at the historic joint walk of RI President Babalola and DG Virrey.



Every month, Rotary gives us a story worth telling.

A story of a hand extended to someone in need. A community strengthened. A partnership formed. A dream given another chance. And behind every story is a Rotarian who chose to serve.

Welcome to the Governor's Monthly Letter of Rotary District 3780 for Rotary Year 2026–2027, under the leadership of our District Governor Rhyan Virrey and guided by the inspiring call to CREATE LASTING IMPACT.

This theme is more than a message—it is a challenge for each of us to look beyond what we accomplish and ask what remains because we served.

As Editor-in-Chief, I am honored to help bring those stories to life. Through the GML, we will celebrate the accomplishments of our clubs, recognize the dedication of our Rotarians, highlight meaningful partnerships, and share the moments that make our District vibrant and united in service.

But this publication is more than a record of activities.

EDITOR'S NOTE

Where Service Becomes a Story

"We don't just tell the stories of service—we preserve the impact behind every story."

It is our collective memory. It is our celebration. It is our connection. And it is our story.

Every photograph captures a moment. Every article preserves an achievement. Every name represents someone who gave time, talent, energy, and heart. And every story reminds us that Rotary is not simply an organization of people who meet–it is a movement of people who care enough to make a difference.

As we journey through this Rotary year, may the GML inspire us not merely to count the projects we complete, but to recognize the lives we touch. May it remind us that the greatest measure of service is not what we leave behind on paper, but what we leave behind in the hearts and lives of the people we serve.

Because positions change. Projects end. Years pass.

But impact remains.

Let us therefore turn the page with renewed purpose, open hearts, and a shared commitment to make every opportunity for service meaningful.

And when this Rotary year comes to a close, may we look back with gratitude–not only for what we accomplished, but for the hope we created, the lives we touched, and the difference we made together.

Welcome to a new chapter.
Welcome to our story.
Welcome to a year where we CREATE LASTING IMPACT.

With a grateful heart and a storyteller's passion for service,

Bhjorn "DAI" Paingan
Editor-in-Chief
Governor's Monthly Letter | Rotary International District 3780
Rotary Year 2026–2027

RI PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

As members of Rotary, we are all united across cultures, languages, and communities. Together, we share a responsibility not only to bring about change but also to ensure that the effects endure.

That is why this year, we are called to Create Lasting Impact.
When we work alongside communities, invest in people's skills and leadership abilities, and measure our progress, we ensure that positive changes can continue in our communities and in ourselves long after a single project ends.

When we focus our efforts and work together, we can maximize our impact in the year ahead.

My friends, Rotary has the power to transform lives, including our own. As you plan your projects, welcome new members, and serve your community, I ask you to thoughtfully consider the impact you are making and how it will last.

Together, we can Create Lasting Impact that endures across the globe, in our communities, and in ourselves.

Thank you for all that you do, and for all that we will accomplish together.

"Change is only the beginning. Impact is what endures. We Must think of the long-term impact of every project."

OLAYINKA "Yinka" HAKEEM Babalola
President, Rotary International
RY 2026-2027



DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE

Dear Fellow Rotarians,

Welcome to a brand new Rotary Year! We have finally made it to the starting line. All those hours we put into our year-long learning seminars are about to pay off, and it is officially time to take everything we've absorbed and put it into practice. I know we are all chomping at the bit to hit the ground running and turn those great ideas into reality!



As we kick things off, we also need to start getting our ducks in a row for your Governor's visit. I know how much heart and soul every club pours into these preparations, and the district truly appreciates your dedication. However, I want to gently remind everyone that less is often more. Please don't feel the need to bend over backwards to put on a lavish show. Keeping things simple really is the best policy! Let's focus our energy on the substance of our incredible work rather than stressing over the bells and whistles.

Looking ahead, this year is already shaping up to be one for the books. Thanks to the fantastic strategic planning you've all been doing behind the scenes, our calendar is jam-packed with exciting, meaningful, and memorable service projects. I believe you have laid a rock-solid foundation for your clubs.

Now, it all boils down to one final mission: getting out there and making it happen. Let's roll up our sleeves, execute these wonderful plans, and create a lasting impact in our communities.

RHYAN G. VIRREY
District Governor, RY 2026-2027
Rotary International District 3780

CONTENTS

2 Editor's Note
3 RI President's Message
4 District Governor's Message
6 Editorial
7 District Rotary Foundation July Report
11 A Celebration of Legacy, Leadership, and Lasting Impact
12 Walking the Path of Impact: An Inside Look at the Historic Joint Walk of RI President Babalola and DG Virrey
15 WHEN SERVICE SHOWS UP: ROTARY DISTRICT 3780 KICKS OFF BRIGADA ESKWELA 2026
17 Beyond Recruitment: How Rotary District 3780 Targets 100% Retention
18 Pioneer Technology: The AI Physical and Digital Membership ID
19 Public Image Corner

CLUB PROJECTS
21 Maternal and Child Health
30 Basic Education and Literacy
40 Disease Prevention and Treatment
43 Environment
45 Community Economic Development
47 Peace Building and Conflict Prevention

YOUTH CORNER
49 Interact Clubs
55 Rotaract Clubs of Rotary International District 3780

63 DISTRICT ANNOUNCEMENTS



EDITORIAL BOARD

DG Rhyan G. Virrey
Publisher

DS JON PETER FERRER
DCOS MERCE CANECA
Asst. Publishers

PDG FLORIAN ENRIQUEZ
Adviser

RODERICK "DIREK" LINDAYAG
Public Image Chairman

BHJORN "DAI" PAINGAN
Editor-in-Chief

THESS E. PARUNGAO
Managing Editor

MELISSA R. PEREZ
Senior Editor

RONALD T. RONCALES
PATRICIA DENISE CABREROS
Contributors

DICO ROEL ABATAYO
Technical Support

MATT A. FERNANDEZ
Lay-out Artist

EDITORIAL

> Technology is best when it brings **people closer to purpose.**

SMARTER TOOLS. *Stronger Impact.*

HOW AI EMPOWERS ROTARY DISTRICT 3780

Rotary has always adapted to the times—because our mission is timeless. Today, Artificial Intelligence (AI) offers us a powerful opportunity to serve more effectively, communicate more meaningfully, and inspire more people to join us in creating lasting impact.



> AI will not replace Rotarians.
> But Rotarians who use AI will be **better equipped to serve.**

AI IS A TOOL. ROTARIANS ARE THE HEART.

AI is not here to replace the heart of Rotary—it is here to amplify it. It can help us work smarter, make data-informed decisions, and tell our stories in ways that inspire action.

As Rotary District 3780 continues to ***Create Lasting Impact***, let us embrace AI as a tool to strengthen our clubs, improve our reporting, and elevate our public image.

HOW AI CAN EMPOWER OUR CLUBS AND DISTRICT

Smarter Club Operations
AI tools can help with meeting agendas, minute-taking, task tracking, event planning, and member engagement ideas—saving time for what truly matters: service.

Better Decisions with Data
From membership trends to project outcomes, AI can help us analyze data faster and visualize insights clearly.

Efficient District Reporting
AI can simplify data encoding, consolidate reports, summarize accomplishments, and ensure accuracy and consistency across clubs.

Stronger Public Image
AI can help us write compelling captions, design eye-catching graphics, edit photos, create reels, and reach more people through the right message at the right time.

Break Language Barriers
AI tools can translate, summarize, and adapt content—helping us connect with diverse audiences locally and globally.

AI is a tool.
Rotarians are the heart.
Together, we *Create Lasting Impact.*

USE AI. BUT USE IT RESPONSIBLY.

Be Ethical.
Respect privacy, intellectual property, and data confidentiality.

Be Accurate.
Verify information and facts before sharing or publishing.

Be Authentic.
Let AI assist you, but let your Rotary values and voice lead.

Be Inclusive.
Use technology to connect, not to exclude.

LET'S MOVE FORWARD—TOGETHER.

Let us encourage every club to explore AI tools that can save time, tell better stories, and multiply our impact.

LEARN ▸ APPLY ▸ SHARE ▸ INSPIRE

When we combine human compassion with smart technology, we create stronger clubs, better stories, and **lasting impact for more lives.**


I receive
with gratitude,
so I may give
with purpose;
I give
with love,
so others may
receive the gift
of hope.
PDG Dulce Coyukiat
Let's support
the Rotary Foundation.
The
Rotary
Foundation
DOING GOOD IN THE WORLD

ROTARY DISTRICT 3780



PAST DISTRICT GOVERNOR

EDGARDO AYENTO

CHAIRMAN
THE ROTARY FOUNDATION

"We give not because we have more, but because we **believe we can do more.**

Through The Rotary Foundation, our service becomes a force for **lasting change."**

The Rotary Foundation

PEACEBUILDING & CONFLICT PREVENTION | DISEASE PREVENTION & TREATMENT | WATER, SANITATION & HYGIENE | BASIC EDUCATION & LITERACY | COMMUNITY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT | ENVIRONMENT | MATERNAL & CHILD HEALTH

Doing Good in the World | **CREATE LASTING IMPACT**

ROTARY DISTRICT 3780

INVESTING TODAY, *Transforming* TOMORROW

The Rotary Foundation



TRF REPORT AS OF JULY 2026

The Rotary Foundation is the heart of Rotary's mission to create lasting change. Through the generosity of Rotarians, their families, and friends, we are able to support life-changing projects in our communities and around the world.

As of July 31, 2026, Rotarians of District 3780 continue to show their unwavering commitment to ***"Doing Good in the World"*** through their contributions to The Rotary Foundation.

Here is our TRF contribution summary as of July 31, 2026:

Every gift counts.
Every peso makes an impact.

Your continued support fuels grants, scholarships, humanitarian programs, and peace initiatives that change lives and build a better tomorrow.

Maraming salamat, District 3780!
Together, let's **Create Lasting Impact.**

D3780 TRF SUMMARY
AS OF JULY 31, 2026

REGION	YTD PLEDGES	YTD COLLECTION
REGION 1	6,639.00	1,200.00
REGION 2	88,180.00	12,000.00
REGION 3	23,500.00	15,755.73
REGION 4	26,615.00	8,350.00
REGION 5	12,465.00	9,250.00
REGION 6	20,025.00	7,340.06
TOTAL	**177,424.00**	**53,895.79**

w/pdc's

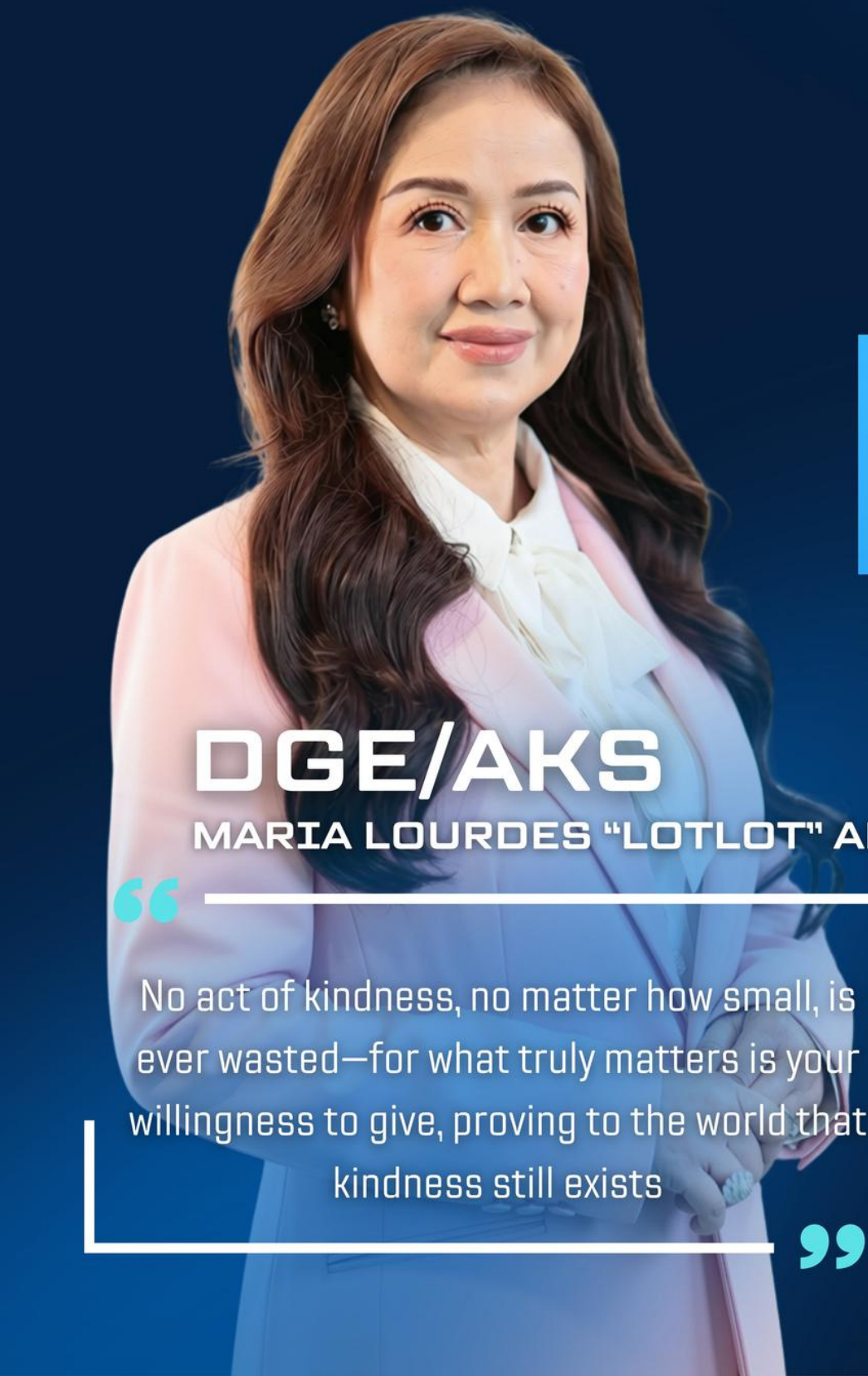
D3780 TRF SUMMARY
AS OF JULY 31, 2026

REGION	ANNUAL FUND	POLIO PLUS	OTHER FUNDS	TOTAL
REGION 1	1,200.00	-	-	1,200.00
REGION 2	12,000.00	-	-	12,000.00
REGION 3	12,931.96	413.93	-	13,345.89
REGION 4	7,000.00	-	1,350.00	8,350.00
REGION 5	8,150.00	-	1,100.00	9,250.00
REGION 6	4,573.18	-	2,100.00	6,673.18
TOTAL	**45,855.14**	**413.93**	**4,550.00**	***50,819.07***



"Together, we can change lives and build a better world.

The Rotary Foundation



DGE/AKS

MARIA LOURDES "LOTLOT" ALVAREZ

"No act of kindness, no matter how small, is ever wasted—for what truly matters is your willingness to give, proving to the world that kindness still exists"

Arch Klumph Society
Trustees Circle

A Celebration of Legacy, Leadership, and Lasting Impact

DISTRICT INDUCTION 2026

By: Past President Thess Parungao

On June 28, 2026, the Grand Ballroom of Solaire North, Quezon City, became the stage for one of the most remarkable milestones in the history of Rotary International District 3780–the District Induction 2026. The overwhelming attendance of over 800 participants underscored the growing influence of Rotary District 3780. The event brought together Rotarians from every corner of the district alongside community leaders, dignitaries, business executives, and valued partners, creating an atmosphere of celebration, collaboration, and renewed commitment to service above self.





More than a ceremonial gathering, the event marked the beginning of a new chapter for District 3780 as District Governor Rhyan Virrey officially assumed the mantle of leadership, succeeding District Governor Veronica Yu, whose inspiring theme was "Unite for Good". As Governor Veronica Yu formally handed over the district leadership, the symbolic transition represented not merely the passing of responsibility, but the continuation of Rotary's enduring mission. Taking the helm, District Governor Rhyan Virrey introduced his inspiring vision anchored on the Rotary International theme, "Create Lasting Impact." His administration, widely recognized as "The Legacy Year," calls upon every Rotarian to move beyond individual projects and create sustainable initiatives that will transform lives and communities for generations to come.

In his message, Governor Virrey challenged every club to embrace purposeful leadership, meaningful partnerships, and service that leaves a lasting impact – strengthening Rotary's relevance in an ever-changing world.

One of the defining highlights of the evening was the Multi-Club Induction Ceremony, where incoming club presidents, officers, and board members from across District 3780 were formally inducted into office. The ceremony showcased the district's unity, diversity, and collective commitment. Beyond the elegance of the evening and the grandeur of the ceremonies.



The District Induction 2026 was more than an installation of officers–it was a celebration of continuity, a tribute to transformational leadership, and the beginning of a legacy that promises to create lasting impact for Rotary, its members, and the countless lives they touch. Congratulations to the Rotary Club of Midtown QC for hosting an extraordinary and successful district event.

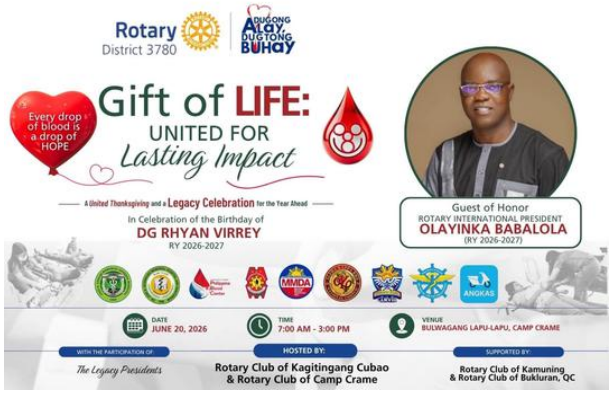


Walking the Path of Impact: An Inside Look at the Historic Joint Walk of RI President Babalola and DG Virrey

DISTRICT BLOOD DONATION ACTIVITY 2026

By: PE Ronald Roncales

The morning air inside the Bulwagang Lapulapu on June 20, 2026, was already charged with a distinct, electric kind of energy. By 7:00 AM, the venue was buzzing as Rotarians, volunteers, and donors gathered for the "Gift of Life United for Impact" blood donation drive. Co-hosted by the Rotary Club of Kagitingang Cubao and the Rotary Club of Camp Crame–with the stalwart support of RC Kamuning and RC Bukluran–the atmosphere was a beautiful blend of humanitarian urgency and festive celebration.



After all, this wasn't just a life-saving mission; it was also the birthday celebration of District Governor Rhyan Virrey.

But at exactly mid-morning, the ambient chatter of the room dissolved into something entirely different. The aura shifted. A palpable magnetic pull swept through the hall, signaling an arrival that everyone had been anticipating.

Rotary International President Yinka Babalola and his wife Precy had arrived in the Philippines.





The Moment the Room Magnified

You could feel his presence before you actually saw him. As RI President Yinka Babalola stepped into the venue, the room seemed to tilt on its axis. It wasn't just the prestige of his office that commanded attention; it was the sheer warmth and gravitational charisma he carried with him.
Then came the moment that will likely be talked about in District folklore for decades.

"The crowd erupted. It wasn't just polite applause; it was a wall of sound–cheers, camera shutters, and ecstatic greetings echoing off the walls of Bulwagang Lapulapu."
Side by side, RI President Yinka and DG Rhyan Virrey began their walk through the venue.



A **Symbolic Stride**

As the two men walked together, the excitement in the room reached a fever pitch. It was deeply symbolic—a visual testament to unity, continuity, and shared vision. Here were two great leaders, representing the global reach of Rotary and the vibrant, localized heartbeat of Philippine district leadership, moving in lockstep.

Every step they took together felt deliberate, a physical manifestation of "United for Impact." The crowd pressed forward, eager to catch a glimpse, to snap a photo, or to simply absorb the infectious positivity radiating from the duo. Yinka's effortless grace paired with DG Rhyan's celebratory birthday joy created a perfect storm of inspiration.



A **Gift of Life, A Celebration of Legacy**

While the star-studded walk captured the imagination of everyone present, the true heart of the day remained anchored to the chairs and donation tables lining the hall. From 7:00 AM to 3:00 PM, the blood donation drive saw an incredible outpouring of selflessness.

Donors rolled up their sleeves, inspired not just by the call to service, but by the literal presence of Rotary's highest leadership cheering them on. It was a birthday gift like no other for DG Rhyan—seeing lives saved under the banner of fellowship and global unity.





The Lasting Impression

As the event wrapped up at 3:00 PM, the physical crowds eventually dispersed, but the residue of that magnetic morning remained. RI President Yinka Babalola's visit to the Philippines wasn't just a diplomatic stopover; it was a shot of adrenaline straight into the heart of the local Rotary community.

For those who stood in Bulwagang Lapulapu on June 20, they didn't just witness a blood drive or a birthday party. They witnessed history in motion–two leaders walking a path of profound impact, leaving a footprint that will inspire the district for years to come.





Rotary District 3780 | Dugong Alay, Dugtong Buhay









WHEN SERVICE SHOWS UP:
ROTARY DISTRICT 3780 KICKS OFF
BRIGADA ESKWELA 2026

By: Community Service Vice Chairman Bhjorn Dai Paingan

"A morning of brooms, boxes, blood pressure monitors—and a shared promise to help schools thrive"

There is something powerful about the first day of Brigada Eskwela.

Before the classrooms fill with laughter and lessons, there is the familiar sound of brooms sweeping floors, furniture being moved, walls being cleaned, and volunteers quietly preparing a school for another year of learning.





On June 1, 2026, that spirit came alive at Quirino High School along Molave Street, Quezon City, as Rotary District 3780 officially launched its Brigada Eskwela 2026 Kick-Off—turning a school into a meeting place for service, partnership, and community action.

The initiative was headed by District Community Service Chairman CP Meric Mara and organized and coordinated by Community Service Vice Chairman Bhjorn "Dai" Paingan, bringing together district leaders and Rotarians in support of the Department of Education's annual Brigada Eskwela program.



But this was more than a clean-up activity.

It was a call to action.

District officers, particularly the Legacy Presidents, were encouraged to participate and contribute whatever they could—from cleaning materials and detergent soaps to blood pressure monitoring tools and other essential supplies that can support the needs of public schools.
The beauty of Brigada Eskwela is its simplicity: everyone has something to give.
A box of supplies.

A few hours of volunteer work.

A connection with a school.

A willingness to show up.



Representing the schools of Quezon City was QCPSTA President Erlinda Alfonso, who received the donations on behalf of the city's public schools. Her presence underscored an important message: when civic organizations and educators work together, service becomes more meaningful and more responsive to what communities actually need.

For Rotary District 3780, the kick-off also served another purpose. It provided a working template that Rotary clubs can adapt as they conduct their own Brigada Eskwela activities in their adopted schools. From mobilizing volunteers to gathering resources and coordinating with school communities, the district initiative demonstrated how a shared vision can become a practical blueprint for action.





District Governor Rhyan Virrey reaffirmed his commitment to fully support the education sector, emphasizing the importance of projects aligned with Rotary's Area of Focus on Basic Education and Literacy.

And perhaps that is what makes this year's Brigada Eskwela especially significant.

Because education does not begin when the teacher enters the classroom. It begins with creating an environment where children feel ready to learn.



A clean classroom.

A prepared school.

A supported teacher.

A community that cares.

This is service in action.

As Rotary clubs across District 3780 take the Brigada Eskwela spirit into their adopted schools, the June 1 kick-off at Quirino High School becomes more than an event on the calendar.

It becomes a starting point.

One school. One club. One community at a time—creating lasting impact.









Beyond Recruitment: How Rotary District 3780 Targets 100% Retention

By: IPP Maria Teresa Dideles

As Rotary Year 2026–2027 officially opened on July 1, 2026, the District Membership Committee–under the leadership of District Governor-Nominee (DGN) Dr. Edgardo "Egay" Aguirre–presented a clear, data-driven baseline of the District's standing alongside a forward-looking strategic roadmap. Aligning directly with District Governor Rhyann Virrey's central thrust of leveraging artificial intelligence to keep Rotary at the forefront of modern technology, the District is coupling digital innovation with membership retention to elevate member engagement and truly Create Lasting Impact across communities.



Baseline Data: Addressing Historical Membership Churn

As of July 1, 2026, Rotary District 3780 recorded a baseline of 2,194 Rotarians across 106 Rotary Clubs. While these numbers reflect a robust network of dedicated leaders, historical analysis reveals a noticeable decline in membership across the District over the past three consecutive years. Addressing this pattern requires stepping away from traditional recruitment cycles that often lose as many members as they gain by the close of the Rotary year.

The Strategic Focus: Net Plus One with 100% Retention

For this Rotary Year, the District Membership Committee has established a core goal of Net Plus 1 with 100% retention. Rather than focusing merely on adding new members who might drop off at the end of the year, the primary objective is zero attrition. True growth begins by preserving the active membership base, ensuring that every existing and incoming Rotarian finds lasting value, fellowship, and purpose within their club.

T**o achieve 100% retention, the committee is executing a two-pronged strategy:**

- Promoting Vibrant Clubs: Enhancing weekly meeting experiences, organizing high-impact service projects, and building strong internal fellowship so members stay engaged and motivated to serve.
- Imparting the True Essence of Rotary: Introducing new members to the core values, global reach, and foundational mission of Rotary, turning initial curiosity into a lifelong commitment to service.

Pioneer Technology: The AI Physical and Digital Membership ID

A highlight of this year's membership strategy is the introduction of the AI (Assured Identity) Phygital Membership ID, directly supporting District Governor Rhyann Virrey's vision to integrate latest technology into administrative, service, and membership operations.
Bridging physical convenience with digital power, the AI Phygital Membership ID transforms traditional membership credentials into an interactive, high-tech tool designed to help leaders connect faster and Create Lasting Impact.



Key Features of the AI Phygital Card

● Instant Digital Business Card: Allows members to showcase their professional classification, expertise, and contact details seamlessly during meetings and networking events.

● Smart Contact Sharing & NFC/QR Integration: Enables swift, tap-to-connect networking with fellow Rotarians via mobile devices.

● Verification & Top-Tier Security: Ensures secure identity verification while linking members to exclusive partner benefits, club resources, and district updates.

By modernizing how Rotarians connect and collaborate, the AI Phygital Card enhances value for existing members and presents dynamic appeal to prospective members, proving that Rotary District 3780 continues to pioneer technology in service of humanity.

Rotary
District 3780

CREATE
LASTING
IMPACT



Every Rotary club
has a *story.*

Every project
is an *invitation.*

Every story shared
is an *inspiration.*
and a potential
new member gained.

Together, let us
strengthen Rotary's
Public Image,
grow our membership,
and continue
creating *lasting impact.*

RODERICK ALEXIS LINDAYAG

CHAIRMAN
PUBLIC IMAGE COMMITTEE
ROTARY DISTRICT 3780

WE CAPTURE | WE COMMUNICATE | WE CONNECT | WE INSPIRE | WE GROW ROTARY

Rotary

KNOW YOUR ROTARY

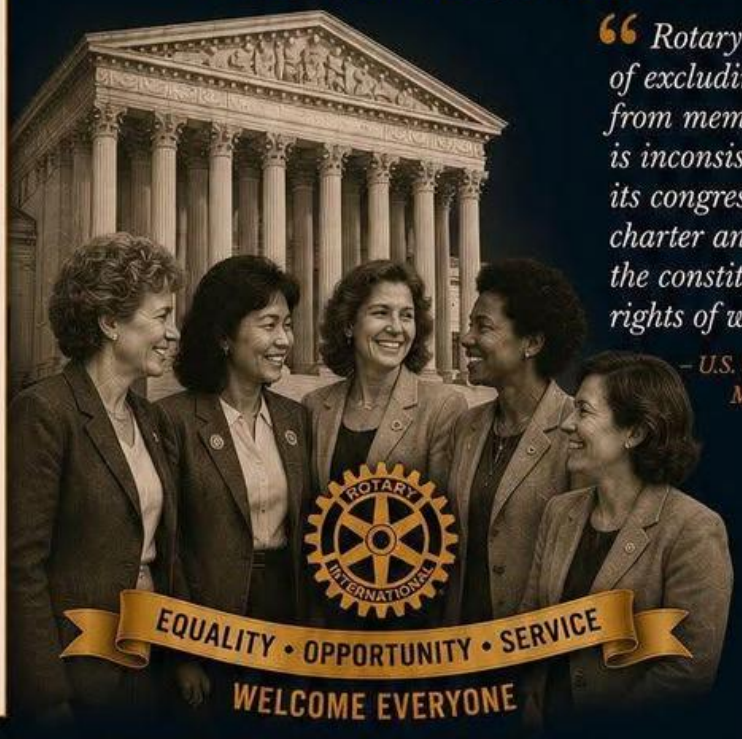
★ SERVICE ABOVE SELF ★

1987

U.S. SUPREME COURT RULES

WOMEN CAN BE MEMBERS OF ROTARY

In a landmark decision, the U.S. Supreme Court upheld women's right to become members of Rotary clubs in the United States.



> *"Rotary's policy of excluding women from membership is inconsistent with its congressional charter and with the constitutional rights of women."*
>
> *– U.S. Supreme Court, May 4, 1987*

A HISTORIC VICTORY FOR EQUALITY

THE CASE

A group of women challenged Rotary International's policy of excluding women from club membership.

THE DECISION

The Supreme Court ruled 6–1 that Rotary's policy violated federal law and the rights of women to equal association.



Supreme Court of the United States
Washington, D.C. • May 4, 1987

THE IMPACT

This decision opened the doors of Rotary to women across the United States and around the world.

A GLOBAL MOVEMENT

The ruling was a major step forward for gender equality and strengthened Rotary's commitment to inclusion.

STRONGER TOGETHER



Rotary thrives when everyone has a place to belong, contribute, and lead.

TOGETHER, WE CREATE LASTING IMPACT.

ONE ROTARY
ONE WORLD
ONE FUTURE

OUR VALUES IN ACTION

INCLUSION
Welcoming all who share our passion for service.

DIVERSITY
Different backgrounds, shared purpose, greater impact.

RESPECT
Valuing every individual and the contributions they bring.

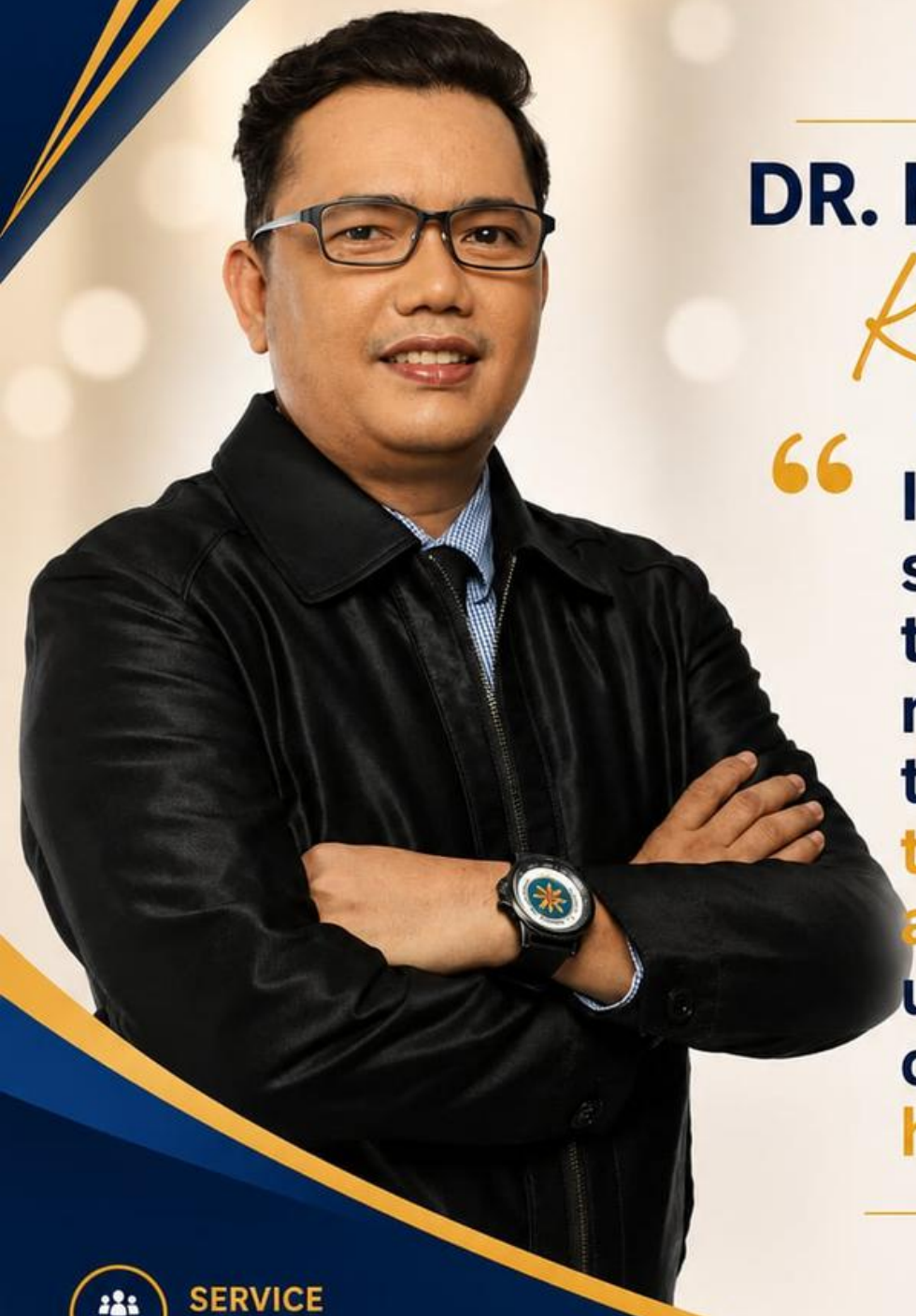
FELLOWSHIP
Building friendships that transcend boundaries.

LEADERSHIP
Empowering all to lead with integrity and compassion.

> *"Service is the rent we pay for the space we occupy on this earth."*
>
> *– Paul P. Harris*

Rotary
PEOPLE OF ACTION

Rotary
District 3780



DR. MERIC MARA
Ka-Techy

> **"In community service, the goal is not simply to become more technologically advanced, but to use technology to create greater human impact."**

August 8, 2026

#TaraNaMaraNa

- **SERVICE** Above Self
- **LEADERSHIP** With Integrity
- **COMMITMENT** To Others
- **IMPACT** That Lasts

In every project, in every solution, in every act of service—let technology be our tool, and compassion be our guide.

TOGETHER, LET'S BUILD A BETTER TOMORROW.

CREATE LASTING IMPACT

ONE DISTRICT. ONE VISION.
Limitless Service.

7th RCCC Buntis Assembly: Investing in Healthy Beginnings

By: PMGEN JOSEPH WILSON F LOPEZ

MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH

Every healthy community begins with healthy families, and every healthy family begins with a healthy mother.





For many expectant mothers in the Philippine National Police (PNP) community, pregnancy is experienced alongside the demands of public service. Whether serving in uniform or supporting a police officer at home, they often balance prenatal care with unpredictable schedules, family responsibilities, and the realities of police life. While healthcare is accessible, opportunities for comprehensive maternal education, preventive care, and holistic support are not always readily available.

Recognizing this need, the Rotary Club of Camp Crame, in partnership with the PNP Health Service, conducted the 7th Buntis Assembly on July 30, 2026 at the Mangubat Auditorium, PNP General Hospital Health Service. The program brought together 60 expectant mothers composed of PNP personnel and PNP dependents for a day dedicated to maternal wellness.

Participants received expert-led prenatal health education, maternal medical services, financial assistancr, and essential baby care items. More than delivering services, the activity created an environment where mothers could engage with healthcare professionals, strengthen their understanding of pregnancy, and make informed decisions for their own health and that of their unborn children.

The project's greatest impact lies beyond the event itself. Equipped with knowledge, access to healthcare professionals, and practical resources, participants are better prepared to navigate pregnancy and early parenthood with confidence. By promoting preventive care and informed decision-making, the initiative contributes to healthier mothers, healthier children, and stronger PNP families.

Through the 7th Buntis Assembly, the Rotary Club of Camp Crame demonstrated that meaningful service begins long before a child is born. Investing in maternal health is an investment in resilient families, stronger communities, and a future where every child is given the healthiest possible start in life.

Nurturing Futures: Rotary Clubs of Cubao and Donseongnam Unite for Child Nutrition in Barangay Quirino 2A

MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH

By: Blas Ople Tiangco and Ma. Lourdes Espinosa

"The future of a community is built in its earliest days. By securing the health of our youngest children today, we lay the bedrock for a thriving tomorrow."

As a brand-new Rotary year swings into motion, the Rotary Club of Cubao is once again proving that true service knows no borders. Breathing fresh life into a cherished tradition, the club proudly renewed its enduring partnership with its sister club, the Rotary Club of Donseongnam, South Korea.

To kick off the service month of July with a powerful impact, the cross-border allies set their sights on a familiar and deeply valued community: Barangay Quirino 2A in Cubao, Quezon City.

Framing a Healthier Tomorrow: The First 1,000 Days

This year, the collaboration tackles one of the most pressing public health priorities: the government-backed First 1,000 Days Child Nutrition Program.

Spanning the crucial window from a child's conception to their second birthday, this phase is scientifically proven to shape lifelong physical health, robust immunity, and cognitive potential. Proper nutrition during this golden period serves as an essential shield against stunting, severe malnutrition, and infant mortality–a silent crisis that currently claims 2.2% of all births in the Philippines.

Empowering Mothers, Uplifting Generations

On July 17, 2026, the spirit of international fellowship translated into direct action. The two clubs rolled out a comprehensive educational seminar tailored specifically for local mothers and their little ones in Barangay Quirino 2A.





Beyond vital maternal and pediatric health education–equipping mothers with the knowledge to navigate early childhood care–the outreach delivered tangible support where it matters most. Participants received essential vitamins, practical water bottles, and much-needed protective rain gear.

Through this joint mission, the Rotary Club of Cubao and the Rotary Club of Donseongnam are doing more than just distributing supplies; they are empowering mothers, safeguarding young lives, and giving Barangay Quirino 2A's newest generation the healthy start they truly deserve.





NUTRISYON AT KALUSUGAN NG BUNTIS ATING PANGALAGAAN

MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH

By: TLP Sherwin Sobrepeña

In celebration of Nutrition Month, the Rotary Club of San Roque, in partnership with Barangay San Roque, successfully conducted a Maternal and Child Health Service Project on July 10, 2026, at Murphy Lying-In. This initiative reaffirmed Rotary's commitment to building healthier families and stronger communities through meaningful, community-based service.

The project aimed to support pregnant women and their families by addressing their nutritional needs and promoting proper maternal and prenatal care. It also sought to raise awareness of healthy pregnancy practices, proper nutrition, and the importance of maternal health in ensuring better outcomes for both mothers and children. This activity aligns with Rotary International's Maternal and Child Health Area of Focus, recognizing that healthy mothers are essential for thriving communities.

Led by President Sherwin Sobrepeña, Past President HCP Carol Bruno, and Immediate Past President UFG Cecile Eduardo, the project brought together Rotary members and Rotary Community Corps (RCC) volunteers for a day dedicated to service and education.
The team distributed 40 maternity kits to expectant mothers and provided food packs to 110 beneficiaries, helping families meet their immediate nutritional needs. Educational activities and maternal care sessions were also conducted, offering practical guidance on proper nutrition, prenatal health, personal care, and healthy pregnancy practices.

Beyond the material assistance, the project empowered mothers with knowledge they can use throughout their pregnancies and beyond. The maternity kits and food packs provided timely support, while the educational sessions encouraged healthier choices and greater awareness of maternal and child health.

Through collaboration with Barangay San Roque, volunteers, and community partners, the Rotary Club of San Roque demonstrated how compassion, education, and collective action can create a lasting impact in the community.

Together, We Serve to Change Lives.











Balanseng Buhay Tungo sa Maayos at Nagmamahalang Pamilya

By: TLP Noli Calderon

MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH

Challenge

Strong families are the foundation of healthy communities; however, many parents and children struggle in maintaining open communication, mutual understanding, and positive relationships. Busy schedules, economic pressures, and limited opportunities for meaningful conversations often create emotional distance within families. Recognizing this need, the Rotary Club of Pasong Tamo-Banlat initiated a community-based intervention to strengthen family relationships through values formation, responsible parenting, and health education.



Action

The club launched the Mother and Child Project: "Balanseng Buhay Tungo sa Maayos at Nagmamahalang Pamilya", benefiting 15 mothers and their children aged 9 to 15. The project included separate learning sessions for each group, allowing them to openly discuss their roles within the family.

PE Riza Calderon guided the mothers on topics such as positive parenting, balancing family responsibilities, and creating a loving and peaceful home environment. Meanwhile, PP Lulu Tanchangco encouraged the children to practice respect, obedience, gratitude, forgiveness, and appreciation for their parents' unconditional love.

Guided breakout discussions provided participants with a safe and supportive environment to share personal experiences and concerns. The activity concluded with a heartfelt reconciliation ceremony during which mothers and children exchanged letters, expressed apologies, embraced each other, and reaffirmed their commitment to building stronger family relationships.

To complement Rotary's focus on Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene (WASH), sanitation kits containing essential hygiene supplies were distributed, followed by a demonstration on proper handwashing practices.





Impact

The project enhanced communication and emotional bonds between mothers and children while promoting responsible parenting and positive values. Families learned practical skills for healthier relationships and improved well-being. Through education and preventive health practices, the Rotary Club of Pasong Tamo-Banlat made a lasting impact, empowering families to become stronger and more resilient in the community.

Transforming Lives: RC Vertis North Drives Community Wellness in Angeles City

By: PP Christopher John Imperial

MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH

In a strong demonstration of community action, last July 3, 2026 RC Vertis North partnered with Barangay Lourdes Northwest in Angeles City to host a high-impact medical outreach mission. Dedicated to supporting local families, the initiative provided vital healthcare services, including mother and child care consultations for 18 beneficiaries, professional eye examinations, and safe medical circumcisions.



To further promote community wellness, essential pre-natal kits were provided to expectant mothers, while 150 children received nutritional vitamin distributions along with healthy snacks for all attendees. This impactful project underscores the power of collaborative partnership in addressing critical local healthcare needs and improving quality of life.



We extend our sincere gratitude and appreciation to the leadership of our fellow member and Barangay Captain Nicanor Abelardo Soriano for their unwavering support and guidance in making this service project a success. Together, we remain deeply committed to creating lasting positive change through dedicated service above self. Attended by CP Angie Marquez and Spouse Bong Marquez, and Rtn Glen.





Outreach for Essential Distribution to Support Mothers and Children

By: TLP Zenaidah Manabilang

MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH

As part of Rotary International's commitment to creating lasting impact through humanitarian service, the Rotary Club of Diliman International, in partnership with the Rotary Club of Diliman Central, Rotary Club of Quezon City International and the Rotary Community Corps East Fairview, successfully conducted the Distribution of Essentials for Mother and Child Support on July 31, 2026, at Samapli, Barangay Fairview, Quezon City.

The outreach activity aimed to promote the health and well-being of mothers and children by providing essential nutritional support to beneficiary families. Distributed items included Vitamin C supplements, milk powder, oatmeal, biscuits, Yakult, and fresh fruits, all carefully selected to help strengthen immunity, improve nutrition, and support healthy growth and development among young children.

This community service project directly supports Rotary's Area of Focus on Maternal and Child Health by helping mothers and children gain access to basic nutritional resources necessary for maintaining good health. It likewise contributes to the Disease Prevention and Treatment Area of Focus through preventive health interventions that encourage stronger immunity and healthier lifestyles.

Beyond the distribution of essential goods, the project reflected Rotary's dedication to compassionate service, community engagement, and sustainable impact. Through the collective efforts of Rotarians, community partners, and volunteers, the initiative provided not only material assistance but also hope and encouragement to families facing daily challenges.

The Rotary Club of Diliman International extends its sincere appreciation to all members, partners, and volunteers whose generosity and commitment made this project a success. Their unwavering support continues to demonstrate the true spirit of Rotary's motto, "Service Above Self," while advancing the shared mission of creating lasting change in communities.



Airwaves of Hope: Promoting Maternal and Child Wellness Through Radio

By: TLP Ferjen T. Torred

MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH

"WHEN KNOWLEDGE TRAVELS THROUGH THE AIRWAVES, LIFE-SAVING HEALTH EDUCATION FINDS ITS WAY INTO EVERY HOME."



In many quiet neighborhoods, mothers often lay awake carrying an invisible weight—the anxiety of not knowing how best to protect their children. In these underserved communities, access to reliable maternal and child health guidance remains a daunting hurdle. Bound by limited health literacy, families navigate early care, nutrition, and disease detection in the dark. Without a trustworthy guiding voice, preventable illnesses, maternal complications, and undetected health risks continue to cast long shadows over bright young futures.

Refusing to let silence dictate these families' fates, the Rotary Club of Kamuning Central stepped forward to build a bridge of hope. Through the Rotary Club of Kamuning Central Public Image and Wellness Information Drive, they transformed airwaves into lifelines. Broadcast across Golden Tiger Radio and digital screens, vital medical wisdom flowed directly into humble living rooms. Guided by compassionate leaders TLP Ferjen, PP Aiza, PP Jeannette, and Chair Aiza Remedios, alongside partners like Simply Nature CEO Zion, a united front was formed. Medical experts—including OB-GYN Oncologist Dr. Bogs Rivera and Oncologist Dr. Jansen Calalan from SimplyHealed Medical Group—sat before microphones to speak not in distant jargon, but in warm, accessible language. They shared life-saving truths on maternal wellness, child nutrition, immunizations, and cervical cancer prevention.

The impact was immediate and deeply human. Complex medical advice became a comforting lamp for caregivers, empowering mothers to take proactive control of their family's health. By connecting specialized doctors directly with everyday households, the drive nurtured an informed, health-conscious community. Today, mothers hold the practical knowledge to shield their children, turning fear into confidence, building healthier households, and weaving a lasting legacy of hope for generations to come.

Hearts in Action: A Service-Driven Beginning for the Rotary Club of Holy Spirit

BASIC EDUCATION AND LITERACY

By: TLP Salvador Joey Peralta

"Creating lasting impact isn't about grand gestures. It begins with showing up, caring deeply, and choosing to serve."

For the Rotary Club of Holy Spirit, the new Rotary year didn't begin with traditional ceremonies. Instead, it started where Rotary truly belongs: in the heart of the community.

Living out our commitment to service, we celebrated the start of the year with the wonderful SNED students of Doña Juana Elementary School. Through snacks, stories, and laughter, we were reminded that simple acts of kindness brighten a child's day. We also honored their teachers, whose unwavering dedication helps children with special needs discover their potential.







That same spirit brought us to Abiertas House of Friendship to spend time with courageous young mothers, expectant moms, their children, and seniors. Along with diapers, milk, and prenatal vitamins, we shared encouragement and hope, proving that sometimes our presence is the greatest gift.

Continuing our long-term mission, we also launched our feeding program in Payatas. Together with our Rotaractors, we shared nutritious meals, played games, and built lasting friendships, allowing us to monitor each child's progress toward a healthier future.

As July came to a close, we realized that creating lasting impact isn't about grand gestures. It begins with showing up, caring deeply, and choosing to serve one life at a time.

MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH

A Smart Way to Learn Project Providing Technology-based Resources

By: TLP Jan Cabugawan

BASIC EDUCATION AND LITERACY

In line with Rotary International's focus on Basic Education and Literacy, the Rotary Club of New Manila East launched the "A Smart Way to Learn" project at Pugad Lawin High School, donating four of the requested eight 45-inch Smart TVs.

By providing technology-based resources, this initiative advances the school's digitalization goals, enriching classroom instruction and cultivating an interactive learning environment. The Smart TVs empower educators to incorporate interactive activities, educational videos, and multimedia presentations into their daily lessons.

This initiative is anticipated to positively impact approximately 360 to 400 students and benefit over 10 teachers, significantly enhancing student engagement and digital literacy. President Jan Cabugawan and Vice President Marlon Manaol shared inspiring, heartfelt messages highlighting the transformative power of education. The event's significance was further underscored by the presence of Director Jayson Baello, Director JR Garcia, Director Froilan Buendia, and Rotarian Jaime Rioflorido, whose contributions added depth to the celebration.

The Rotary Club of New Manila East thanks Pugad Lawin High School for its partnership. Through "A Smart Way to Learn," Rotary continues to Create Lasting Impact by empowering students and building brighter opportunities for future generations.











PROJECT 3A's:
Alaga at Aruga sa Adopted Community

By: TLP Demi Moore Dumasig

BASIC EDUCATION AND LITERACY

On July 29, 2026, the Rotary Club of Broadway Quezon City successfully carried out Project 3A: Alaga at Aruga sa Adopted Community, a continuing signature community service project whose name was given by TLP Demi. Anchored on the Rotary commitment to Create Lasting Impact, the project addressed three important areas: Maternal and Child Health, Disease Prevention and Treatment, and Basic Education and Literacy.

The first component featured an Adopted Barangay Visit and MOA Signing at Brgy. Tatalon, establishing a stronger partnership with the community. This was followed by a Basic Pregnancy Care Talk designed to promote awareness and responsible maternal health. Mom's Kits and Hygiene Kits, together with food meals, were distributed to beneficiaries as a gesture of care and support.

The second component brought the Rotary team to its Adopted High School, Dr. Josefa Jara Martinez High School, for a comprehensive discussion and community assessment, focusing on the school's educational concerns and identifying opportunities where Rotary can provide meaningful assistance, especially for the Reading Intervention Program. For TLP Demi, a Licensed Professional Teacher, this initiative carries a personal advocacy: to bring back heart into the academe through Rotary community service by nurturing not only students' learning but also their hopes, values, and dreams.

The third component was the Adopted Elementary School's Annual Children's Party for Indigent Pupils and PWD Learners at Diosdado P. Macapagal Elementary School. And this year, we tapped the participation of the Barangay Tatalon team headed by Hon. Emmanuel "Kiko" Del Mundo. We both decided to include PWD learners as we promote inclusivity and fairness in society, and the school vicinity is a safe space for all concerned. The program featured Digital Storytelling, an interactive Q&A highlighting the morals of the story, headed by TLP Demi, and a lively flash mob dance participated in by the RCC, RC Broadway QC, parents, guardians, and children. School Kits and Jollibee Kiddie Meals were also distributed to bring joy and encouragement to the young beneficiaries.

The day concluded with a simple yet meaningful mini fellowship of RCBQC and RCC over lunch. It was a moment to celebrate partnership, gratitude, service, and to thank everyone who supported, participated in, and witnessed this meaningful undertaking.











7-in-1 Service Project Kamuning Elementary School

By: CP Meric Mara

BASIC EDUCATION AND LITERACY

July 1 marked the beginning of a new Rotary Year—and for the Rotary Club of Quezon City MediaTech, it began with action.

Led by Legacy President Fellie Castillo, RCQC MediaTech officially kicked off the Rotary Year with its 7-in-1 Service Project at Kamuning Elementary School, bringing Rotary's Seven Areas of Focus into one school and one day of meaningful community service.

The initiative addressed the needs of learners, teachers, parents, and the school community through programs focused on education, health, technology, environment, child protection, and economic empowerment.

Project Connect strengthened the school's digital infrastructure through Mesh Wi-Fi, expanding access to technology-enabled learning. We Smiles promoted WASH, proper hygiene, and sanitation, while Project Kalinga supported maternal and child health through nutrition and wellness activities. Environmental responsibility was encouraged through the distribution of seeds and gardening tools, inspiring learners to understand their role in protecting the environment.

The project also promoted peace and child protection through awareness sessions on VAWC, OSAEC, cyber safety, and responsible online behavior.

Through CyberTeach and Aklatang Bayan, learners received literacy resources and digital citizenship education, including Ang Ma-Husay Online, helping young people become informed, responsible, and safer digital citizens.

Project SIKAP introduced financial literacy, entrepreneurship, and basic business management, providing practical knowledge that can help strengthen families and future livelihoods.

This 7-in-1 initiative was more than a collection of activities. It represented how RCQC MediaTech chose to open the Rotary New Year: with service from Day One, purpose in every project, and impact at the heart of every action.









Ready, Set, Learn!
A Back-to-School Welcome Project

BASIC EDUCATION AND LITERACY

By: TLP Aileen "Ice" Balintona



Enthusiasm, making a lasting impact on their educational journey. Together, we welcome every learner–one child, one smile, and one school year at a time.

The Ready, Set, Learn! project, initiated by the Rotary Club of Kagitingang Cubao, aims to welcome 500 students of 15th Avenue Elementary School as they begin a new school year. This project emphasizes that the first day of school marks not just the start of classes, but a fresh beginning filled with opportunities and friendships.

As students arrive, Rotarians, Interactors, teachers, and volunteers will greet them warmly and offer snacks as a small gesture of encouragement. This initiative aims to create a supportive atmosphere, promoting kindness and volunteerism while reinforcing the partnership between Rotary, the school, parents, and the community.

Aligned with Rotary's commitment to Basic Education and Literacy, Ready, Set, Learn! seeks to inspire children to begin the school year with confidence and enthusiasm, making a lasting impact on their educational journey.

TOGETHER, WE WELCOME EVERY LEARNER—ONE CHILD, ONE SMILE, AND ONE SCHOOL YEAR AT A TIME.





Spectrum of Hope: Light for Every Heart

By: TLP Jennifer Lorenzana-Butacan

BASIC EDUCATION AND LITERACY







Every child deserves the opportunity to dream, learn, and belong. Yet for many children with special needs, the path is often marked by challenges that extend beyond the classroom. Families quietly carry emotional and financial burdens, while children long for acceptance, encouragement, and the chance to reach their full potential. Recognizing this need, the Rotary Club of University District Diliman transformed compassion into meaningful action through Spectrum of Hope.

Led by TLP Jennifer Lorenzana-Butacan, together with Immediate Past President Juvy Bustos, the project was established to provide sustained support to children with special needs while fostering inclusion, dignity, and hope. In close partnership with Masambong Elementary School, GSIS Elementary School, and San Antonio Elementary School, the club worked hand in hand with school leaders to carefully identify ten deserving beneficiaries through thoughtful assessment. Each child now receives a monthly personal allowance to help provide school supplies, learning materials, transportation, and other essential needs, easing the burden on their families while encouraging every child to continue learning with confidence.

To ensure the project's continuity, the Rotary Club formalized its commitment through a Memorandum of Agreement with the participating schools, creating a strong partnership that promotes accountability and guarantees that assistance reaches those who need it most.



The true impact of Spectrum of Hope extends far beyond financial support. It restores confidence, nurtures self-worth, and reminds every child that they are seen, valued, and embraced by a caring community. One quiet young beneficiary, who rarely spoke, used his first allowance to buy a box of crayons. He later handed the Rotary team a drawing of a rainbow with ten shining stars and softly said, "We are all part of the light."



The Rotary Club of University District Diliman, through its Spectrum of Hope initiative, illustrates that lasting change starts with compassion and flourishes through collaboration. By investing in children today, Rotary is creating a future where every child is empowered to reach their potential, every family experiences renewed hope, and every act of service serves as a guiding light for generations to come.

EMBARK ON A JOURNEY OF CREATING A LASTING IMPACT

By: TLP Alejandro Judan III

BASIC EDUCATION AND LITERACY

On a rainy day on July 11, 2026, members of the Rotary Club of North EDSA, led by Legacy President Alejandro Judan III, ventured for four hours to the Alberto G. Bautista Elementary School in Talugtug, Nueva Ecija. They aimed to assess two classroom buildings for rehabilitation and deliver essential materials for Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene (WASH) projects, demonstrating their commitment to the community.

This journey captured the essence of Rotary's vision, which serves as a guiding principle for creating unity and positive change. Their vision statement beautifully expresses this aspiration:





"Together, we see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change—across the globe, in our communities, and in ourselves."





The word "together" highlights the collaborative nature of progress. It encourages not just Rotarians but also the communities they serve to work hand in hand. The phrase "people unite and take action" inspires members to move beyond meetings, seeking tangible solutions to pressing issues, while "creating lasting change" emphasizes their dedication to sustainable solutions.

Rotary addresses challenges at all societal levels, from global issues like peace and disease to local community needs. By navigating these challenges, Rotary grows its members through meaningful experiences of service.

The vision acts as a beacon, guiding club members toward common goals, while the mission articulates their purpose: "to provide service to others, promote integrity, and advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace." This mission gives life to the vision and makes it actionable.

A strategic plan outlines the necessary steps for success, focusing on increasing impact, expanding reach, enhancing engagement, and improving adaptability.

Empowering Schools for a Brighter Tomorrow: Brigada Eskwela 2026

By: TLP Noemi Sophia "Pia" Ampong

BASIC EDUCATION AND LITERACY

The Challenge

As the new school year approaches, public schools face the daunting task of preparing clean, safe, and welcoming learning spaces for thousands of students. The adopted Schools were San Francisco High School and Bagong Pag-asa Elementary School were in limited cleaning supplies and resources to prepare their campuses effectively.



The Action

Stepping up to turn these challenges into opportunities, the Rotary Club of Cubao Edsa, led by The Legacy President (TLP) Noemi Sophia "Pia" Ampong, joined hands with school communities for Brigada Eskwela 2026. Demonstrating true Service Above Self, club members, alongside dedicated volunteers from the Rotary Community Corps (RCC), donated essential cleaning supplies–including brooms, dustpans, and disinfectants–and actively assisted in preparing the facilities.

Beyond immediate physical relief, the club engaged in meaningful consultative dialogues with school coordinators and student leaders. TLP Pia Ampong and the team gathered feedback directly from the youth and educators to design impactful, long-term educational and developmental programs tailored to the schools' unique needs.





The Impact

This initiative did far more than clean classrooms–it restored hope and created a safer, healthier environment where students can thrive. By actively involving student leaders and local community members, the Rotary Club of Cubao Edsa built a strong foundation of shared responsibility and empowerment. The clean classrooms now stand as a testament to what unity can achieve, while the collaborative discussions paved the way for sustainable programs that will continue to uplift these young learners for years to come.

Children's Pantry At Adopted Kalantiyaw Elementary School

By: PP Rose T. Gonzales

BASIC EDUCATION AND LITERACY

On July 15, 2026, the Rotary Club of Diliman Central successfully conducted its Children's Pantry at Kalantyaw Elementary School, reaffirming its unwavering commitment to serving children and uplifting communities through compassion and generosity.

The meaningful outreach was led by Legacy President Joanna D. Soliman, together with Vice-President Maricel De Belen, Past-President Rose T. Gonzales, and the dedicated members of the Rotary Club of Diliman Central. The project provided nutritious food, fresh fruits, essential snacks, and other basic necessities to pupils, bringing smiles and hope to the young beneficiaries.

More than simply distributing goods, the Children's Pantry embodied Rotary's enduring spirit of "Service Above Self." It promoted the values of kindness, sharing, and community collaboration while encouraging every child to believe that they are valued and supported by people who genuinely care about their well-being and future.

The success of this initiative was made possible through the collective efforts of the club members, school officials, teachers, volunteers, and generous partners whose dedication transformed the activity into a memorable and meaningful experience for the children.

Through projects like the Children's Pantry, the Rotary Club of Diliman Central continues to create lasting impact by addressing immediate community needs while inspiring hope, compassion, and unity. Guided by the Rotary Year 2026–2027 theme, "Create Lasting Impact," the club remains steadfast in its mission to build stronger communities and improve lives—one act of service at a time.











RAC Explorientation Year 9: Opening Door Life of Service

By: Ma. Jesusa "Jie" P. Javillo

BASIC EDUCATION AND LITERACY

July 4, 2026 – San Jose Covered Court, Barangay San Antonio, Quezon City

The Rotary Club of San Francisco del Monte welcomed Rotary Year 2026-2027 with its project under the leadership of The Legacy President Jet Legaspi, in partnership with adopted community Barangay San Antonio, led by Bgy. Capt. Daniel Leon S. Berroya.

The day began with a Thanksgiving Mass officiated by Fr. Victor Cunanan Paruñgao, followed by a celebration for 100 Sinag Tala Elementary School children.
Then came "Kuya Jet."

President Jet Legaspi introduced himself to the children as Kuya Jet, emphasizing that the celebration was not about food or gifts. What RC SFDM hoped to plant and leave behind were kindness, compassion, goodness, and values in action.

With Bgy. Capt. Berroya and his Kagawads, the children enjoyed activities, received gifts, and shared Jollibee Chickenjoy meals generously provided through De Guzman Food Corporation. Bambuhay toothbrushes connected personal health with care for the environment.

The project came through the generosity of RC SFDM Family, the Rotary Community Corps led by President Rutchie Valdepeña, and RACMA led by President Bon Drio, together with IPP Lance Sta. Maria and Secretary Cjaye Cajipo. Also present in full support were PDG Penny Policarpio III, PP Joan Policarpio, PN and Club Secretary Jean Alvarez, Club Administrator Rtn. Randy Torrecampo, Assistant Secretary Rtn. Jie Javillo, Rtn. Edna Macaraeg Novencido, and Rtn. Christian Tesalona.

The renewed Memorandum of Agreement strengthened the Barangay San Antonio partnership and commitment to continued community service.

What remains when the food is gone and the celebration ends is a child who remembers kindness, compassion, and the example of values in action.

The story has only just begun.
More lives to touch. More partnerships to build. More service for communities.
So, stay tuned… the next chapter of our Legacy is waiting to unfold.







Compassion in Action: HEARTLine Project

By: TLP Kat Dela Cruz

DISEASE PREVENTION AND TREATMENT

Imagine Anna, a 17-year-old student who was once active in her parish youth group and loved dancing. Over the past few weeks, her friends noticed she stopped attending rehearsals and avoided social gatherings. Anna spends most of her time alone in her room, ignoring calls and messages. In one conversation, she quietly mentioned, "Baka wala nang saysay ang mabuhay."

Her parents thought it was just "teen moodiness," but the persistence of these changes signaled something deeper. With guidance from a school counselor, Anna was referred to a mental health professional who confirmed symptoms of depression. Early intervention helped her begin therapy, and her family learned how to support her recovery.

This story reflects why early intervention matters, and why the HEARTLine Project (Helping Everyone Act with Resilience and Trust) was created. On 26 July 2026, the Rotary Club of Constitution Hill - Bagong Sandigan, led by Legacy President Kat Dela Cruz, partnered with the Rotary Club of Alabang Madrigal Business Park under President Andrew Baccay, and the Christ the King Parish PSALMS Ministry headed by Ms. Analie Almanzor, to hold this Mental Health First Responders Training. The program facilitated by Dhon Reyes of 316 Dynamics equipped participants with practical tools to respond to emotional distress through empathy, active listening, and responsible intervention.

It gathered 16 PSALMS Lead Scholars, 12 Parent Coordinators and educators, and 11 Rotarians from both clubs – each now empowered to serve as a first responder for youth mental wellness. "Through HEARTLine, we are creating a culture where mental health is talked about, stigma is reduced, and support is accessible," shared President Kat Dela Cruz.

The ripple effect of HEARTLine extends beyond the workshop – into classrooms, homes, and parish circles – where compassion replaces silence and awareness sparks healing. The Rotary Club of Constitution Hill – Bagong Sandigan expresses heartfelt gratitude to all partners, speakers, scholars, parents, and teachers who can help create an accepting environment for the likes of 17-year old Anna.

"HEARTLine: Because every life matters."







Heart of Compassion: Bringing Hope and Healing to Cancer Patients

By: TLP Ghie Escander

DISEASE PREVENTION AND TREATMENT



In keeping with her advocacy of extending compassion, hope, and assistance to cancer patients and their families, TLP Ghie Escander personally visited a cancer patient to offer much-needed support during a challenging time.

During the visit, TLP Ghie provided financial assistance and essential medical supplies to help ease some of the patient's medical and daily needs. More than the material assistance, her presence brought encouragement and a heartfelt reminder to the patient and family that they are not alone in their journey.

TLP Ghie's continued commitment to helping cancer patients reflects her genuine concern for individuals facing the physical, emotional, and financial challenges brought about by cancer. Through simple acts of kindness and meaningful assistance, she continues to promote an advocacy centered on compassion, hope, and solidarity with cancer patients and their families.
Her visit is a testament that helping others does not always require grand gestures. Sometimes, a helping hand, a caring heart, and the willingness to be present can make a meaningful difference in someone's life.

TLP Ghie Escander remains committed to her advocacy in supporting cancer patients–bringing not only assistance, but also hope, comfort, and encouragement to those who need it most.

Medical and Dental Outreach
Barangay Mariana, New Manila, Quezon City
Date: July 18, 2026

DISEASE PREVENTION AND TREATMENT

By: TLP FRANCO MARTIN MACATANGAY





The Rotary Clubs of Camp Panopio and the Rotary Club of Acropolis held a Medical & Dental Mission at the Women's Lawyers Association of the Philippines Building in Barangay Mariana, New Manila, Quezon City, on July 18, 2026, from 7:30 AM to 5:00 PM.

This event marked the kickoff of our club project for the Rotary Year 2026-2027, continuing our commitment to serve the community and assist those in need with their dental concerns, especially individuals who cannot afford dental care.

The Rotary Club of Camp Panopio organized a community event dedicated to offering essential dental services to residents. The services provided included tooth extractions, oral prophylaxis, dental impressions, and dental fillings, catering to a wide range of dental needs. Dr. Loida Juangco, a committed Rotarian, led the initiative, ensuring that patients received quality care. The event witnessed the engagement of several Rotarian nurses, club members, and volunteer dentists, all of whom played vital roles in the screening process and in dispensing necessary medications to those in need. Throughout the day, a total of seventy (70) patients were accommodated, benefiting from these vital dental services and contributing to improved oral health in the community.







Saving Masasa: Protecting a Beach, Sustaining a Community

By: IPP Albert Villaluz

ENVIRONMENT







For the people of Tingloy, Masasa Beach is more than a scenic destination. Its coastline, coral reefs, and marine life support tourism and provide livelihoods for local families. However, waste along the shore threatens this delicate ecosystem–and the community that depends on it.

Before sunrise, members of the Rotary Club of Roosevelt were already preparing for a meaningful day of service. Led by Legacy President May Aldovino, the club joined the people of Tingloy in a coastal cleanup to help preserve the beach and protect its natural resources.



Working side by side, Rotarians and community members cleared waste from the shoreline and surrounding areas. The club also donated cleaning materials to help residents continue caring for the beach beyond the activity. This support transformed a one-day cleanup into a shared commitment to long-term environmental stewardship.

The impact extended far beyond a cleaner coastline. By helping protect Masasa Beach, the project contributed to the preservation of marine life, encouraged responsible tourism, and supported families whose livelihoods rely on the area's natural beauty. It also strengthened the community's ability to maintain the beach and inspired a greater sense of shared responsibility for its future.



The activity showed that protecting the environment is also an act of service to people. Every piece of waste removed helped safeguard an ecosystem. Every cleaning material donated equipped the community to continue the work. Every volunteer demonstrated what can be achieved through collective action.

At Masasa Beach, service did not end at the shoreline. It helped protect a natural treasure, sustain local livelihoods, and build a better future for Tingloy.

When we come together for a common goal, a single day of service can make a lasting difference!

Rooting Hope, Growing Tomorrow: Planting Trees, Nurturing a Sustainable Future

By: TLP Lay Lanie Chua

ENVIRONMENT











The Rotary Club of Roxas, QC demonstrated its commitment to environmental stewardship by successfully conducting a TreePlanting Project on July 25, 2026, at Brgy.Cuyambay, Tanay, Rizal. The initiative was led by LegacyPresident Lay Lanie Chua, with dedicated coordination from Past President Edgardo Santibañez, the club's Service Project Chair. He worked closely with the Municipal Environment and Natural Resources Office (MENRO) to ensure the project's success.

The program began with a prayer, followed by an orientation conducted by MENRO personnel on the proper handling and planting of tree seedlings. This equipped the volunteers with the knowledge needed to maximize the survival and growth of every tree planted, emphasizing that environmental service is most effective when paired with education and responsible action.

The journey to the planting site was far from easy. Club members endured long travel, navigated steep terrain, and trekked through muddy roads made slippery by recent rains. Despite these physical challenges, every participant remained steadfast and united by a shared purpose.

Every seedling planted represented more than an environmental effort. It symbolized hope, resilience, and a shared commitment to securing a greener future. The project not only contributed to forest restoration and soil conservation but also strengthened environmental awareness among community members, encouraging them to take an active role in protecting their natural resources.

Through the leadership of Legacy President Lay Lanie Chua and the collective dedication of its members and partners, the Rotary Club of Roxas QC demonstrated that lasting impact, as the trees we planted today will continue to provide cleaner air, reduce soil erosion, preserve biodiversity, and serve as a living legacy of Rotary's unwavering commitment to environmental stewardship for generations to come.

"Katinapay Mo sa Lansangan" A Monthly Bread Distribution Program

By: TLP Jerlon Romualdo

COMMUNITY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Amid the relentless hum of city traffic and the scorching heat of the tropical sun, a quiet revolution of kindness is unfolding on the streets. Enter "Ang Katinapay Mo sa Lansangan" (Your Bread Companion on the Streets)–a heartwarming monthly community initiative dedicated to honoring the unsung heroes of our daily commutes.





Whether battling exhaust fumes or sudden downpours, the city's tireless workforce–from traffic enforcers and street sweepers to delivery riders, jeepney drivers, vendors, and construction workers–form the backbone of our urban life. Yet, their daily sacrifices often go unnoticed.

Recognizing this, the program steps in to bridge the gap with a simple yet profound gesture: handing out freshly baked bread. More than just a quick bite to eat, each loaf serves as a tangible symbol of gratitude, a beacon of hope, and a warm reminder that their relentless hard work is deeply valued by the community.

Spearheaded by Club President TLP Jerlon Romualdo, alongside dedicated club members and passionate volunteers, this grassroots endeavor brings humanity back to the concrete jungle. True to its guiding ethos of "Sharing Bread, Spreading Hope," the project proves that small, intentional acts of compassion have the power to create a lasting, meaningful impact, one neighborhood at a time.





Service Above Self In Action: Swift Relief For Kapitolyo Fire Victims

By: PP Roderick Alexis Lindayag

COMMUNITY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

When disaster strikes, action cannot wait. On Wednesday, July 29, a devastating fire swept through Interior Rosemarie Lane in Brgy. Kapitolyo, Pasig City, displacing over 400 families and leaving more than 1,400 individuals in urgent need of assistance. True to our core values, the Rotary Club of QC Big Bike Riders immediately geared up to answer the call for help.



On Friday, July 31, our club mobilized a swift and effective Disaster Relief Operation. In strong partnership with the Philippine Airlines Foundation and the International Fellowship of Motorcycling Rotarians Philippines Chapter (IFMR-PH), our volunteers brought essential aid directly to the heart of the affected community.
Care packages designed to offer immediate relief, comfort, and dignity were distributed directly to impacted residents. The turn-over included vital essentials:



Rest & Comfort: Cozy neck pillows and warm blankets
Basic Needs: Clean clothing items
Health & Wellness:Hygiene kits to ensure safe and sanitary conditions

Brgy. Captain Alex Torres, alongside local barangay officials and community members, warmly received our contingent. They expressed profound gratitude for the rapid deployment and unwavering solidarity demonstrated during one of their most challenging moments.



This joint relief effort highlights the powerful impact of strategic collaboration and dedicated service. It serves as a striking reminder that as Rotarians and riders, our mission extends far beyond the open road–we ride with purpose, compassion, and a commitment to helping our neighbors rebuild.



A huge thank you to our partners, volunteers, and supporters who made this operation possible. Together, we continue to embody Rotary's timeless vision: Service Above Self.

We Ride, We Care.



Katarungan Para sa Lahat, Tulong na Tapat: Project Katarungan to Bridge the Legal Gap for Indigent Communities

By: TLP Katrin Jessica D. Guinigundo

PEACEBUILDING AND CONFLICT PREVENTION



To kick off the new Rotary year and begin carrying out its commitment to create lasting impact, the Rotary Club of New Manila South (RCNMS) launched Project Katarungan on August 1, 2026 at the Covered Courts of Barangay Matandang Balara, Quezon City. The initiative serves as the club's flagship legal aid program, created to help make legal assistance more accessible to underserved communities.

Recognizing that many individuals are unable to seek legal help due to financial limitations, Project Katarungan provides free legal assistance to indigent individuals and families, as well as to barangay officials and community groups within the barangay. By offering accessible legal guidance and support, the project seeks to bridge the gap between legal concerns and those who need help the most. As stated by RCNMS President, Katrin Jessica D. Guinigundo during her opening remarks: "[n]aniniwala po kami na ang batas ay dapat magsilbing instrumento ng katarungan, proteksyon, at kalayaan. Ngunit ang katotohanan ay marami pa rin sa ating mga kababayan ang hindi lubos na nakaaalam ng kanilang mga karapatan o hindi nagkakaroon ng pagkakataong makalapit sa tulong legal dahil sa kakulangan ng kaalaman, pagkakataon, o kakayahang pinansyal. Dahil dito, ang batas, na dapat sana'y para sa lahat, ay nananatiling hindi ganap na naaabot ng marami."

Project Katarungan offered free community legal seminars, individualized consultations, document drafting and free notarization.

The event drew approximately 232 participants and was supported by 49 volunteer lawyers from various law firms, corporations, and legal backgrounds. Its successful implementation was made possible through the close partnership between RCNMS and the barangay. Through partnerships like these, RCNMS continues to support stronger, better-informed, and more resilient communities.







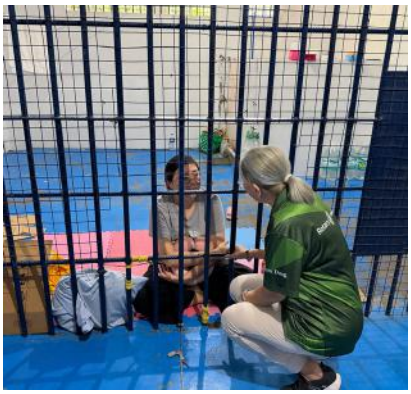


Project Pag-asa: A Second Chance Initiative 2
A Legacy of Hope

By: TLP Imelda V. Quimba

PEACEBUILDING AND CONFLICT PREVENTION



Some projects end after a successful implementation. Others become a tradition of service. For the Rotary Club of West Fairview, Project Pag-asa has become just that.

Now on its second year, Project Pag-asa continues to serve as the club's flagship initiative under Rotary's Area of Focus on Peacebuilding and Conflict Prevention. What began during the previous Rotary year has grown into a continuing commitment to remind Persons Deprived of Liberty (PDLs) that hope, dignity, and compassion can open the door to transformation.

To mark the beginning of the new Rotary year, Legacy President Imelda Quimba chose to continue this meaningful initiative as her first service project, reinforcing the belief that impactful programs should not end with one Rotary year but should continue to touch lives and strengthen communities.

In partnership with the Diocese of Novaliches and local police personnel, club members visited around 30 PDLs, bringing not only meals and rosaries but also something equally meaningful, their presence. The gathering became an opportunity to listen, encourage, and remind the participants that they are more than the mistakes of their past. Through shared conversations, prayers, and fellowship, the activity fostered hope and renewed their sense of self-worth.

Project Pag-asa reflects what Rotary does best: building peace through compassion and creating opportunities for people to begin again. As it enters its second year, the initiative stands as a testament to the Rotary Club of West Fairview's belief that lasting impact is created not only by meeting immediate needs but by restoring hope and inspiring change–one person, one family, and one community at a time.

Because sometimes, the greatest gift we can offer is the reminder that everyone deserves a second chance.






RAC Explorientation Year 9: Opening Doors to a Life of Service

By: TLP Sheryl Marañon





The Rotary Club of Midtown Quezon City proudly continues its support for its sponsored club, the Rotaract Club of Midtown Quezon City (RAC MQC), as it prepares for RAC Explorientation Year 9, its flagship membership and orientation initiative.

Recognized as RAC MQC's Most Outstanding Flagship Project last Rotary Year, RAC Explorientation has become more than an introduction to Rotaract. It serves as a gateway for young individuals to discover meaningful service, leadership, friendship, and opportunities for personal and professional growth.

One of the continuing challenges faced by service organizations is reaching young people who are willing to serve but may not yet know where or how to begin. Through Explorientation, RAC MQC creates a welcoming space where prospective members can learn about Rotaract, understand its advocacies and activities, meet current members, and experience the fellowship that makes the organization unique.

For its ninth year, RC Midtown Quezon City is actively supporting RAC MQC's invitation and membership efforts, helping extend the project's reach to more potential Rotaractors. This collaboration reflects Rotary's commitment not only to sponsoring a Rotaract club, but also to strengthening and sustaining the next generation of service leaders.

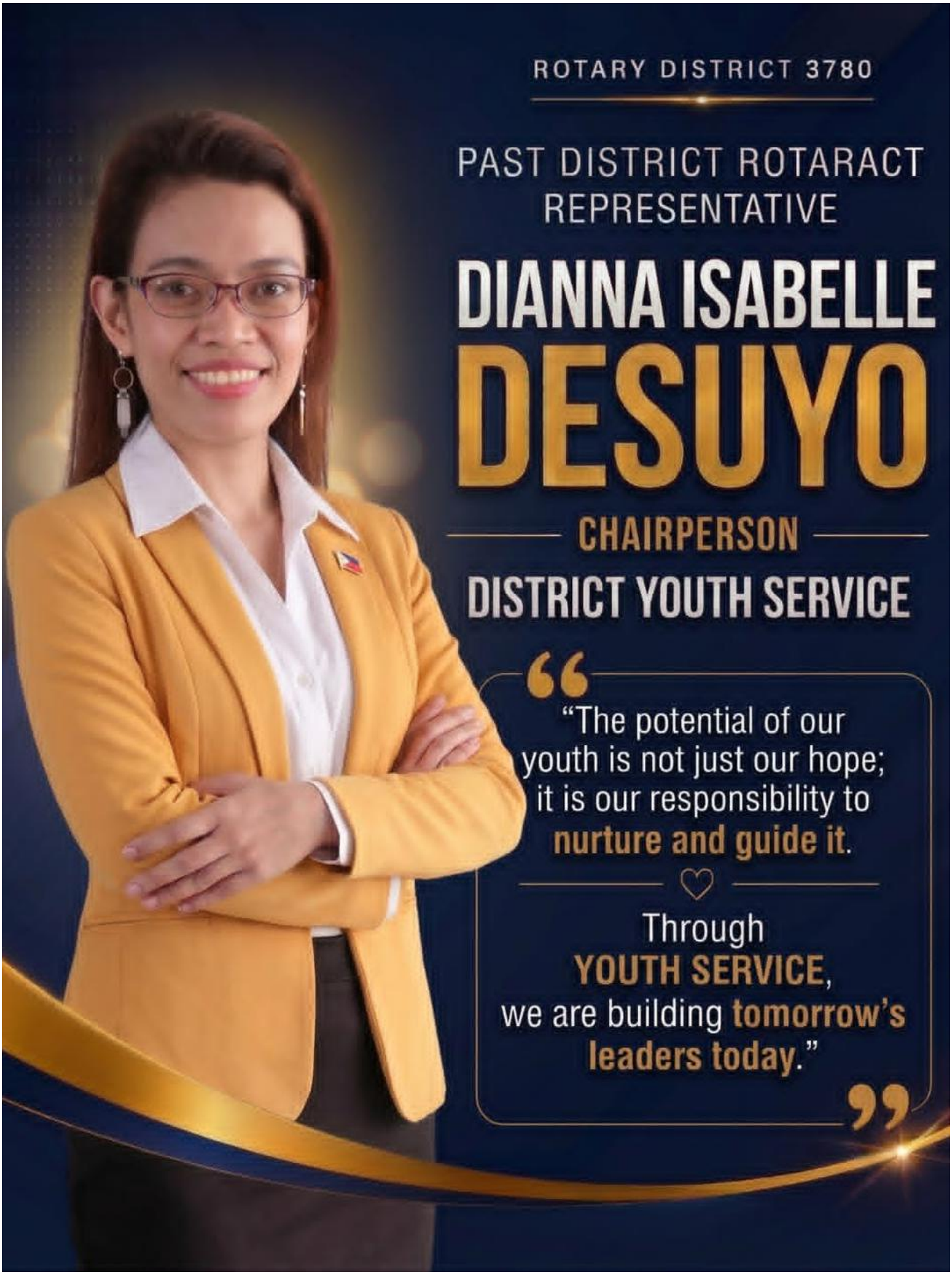
Through RAC Explorientation Year 9, the clubs hope to welcome new individuals who will eventually become active volunteers, advocates, project leaders, and partners in creating positive change.

By helping RAC MQC grow its membership, RC Midtown Quezon City also helps ensure that the spirit of Service Above Self continues through a stronger, more engaged, and more sustainable Rotaract community.







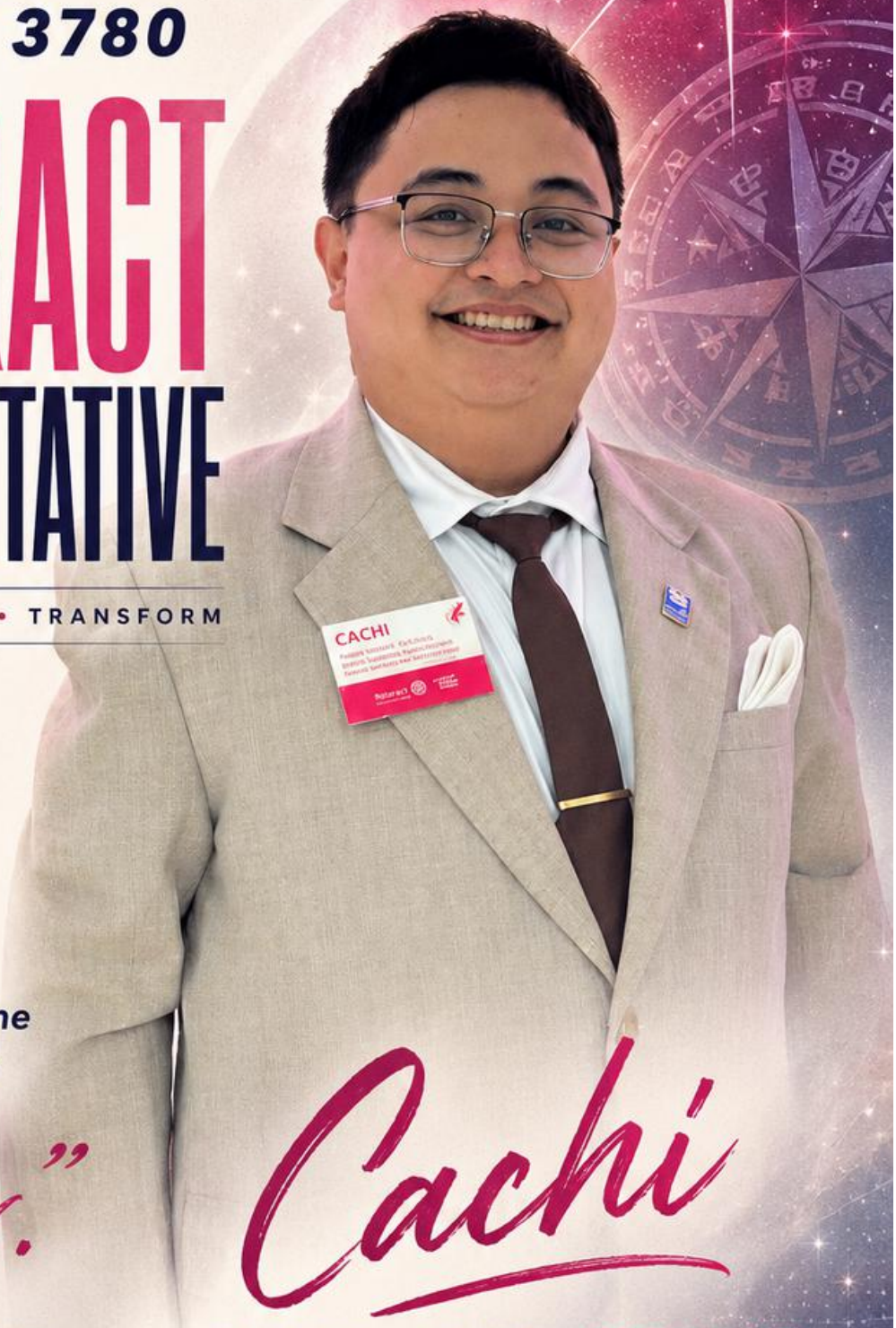

ROTARY DISTRICT 3780
PAST DISTRICT ROTARACT REPRESENTATIVE
DIANNA ISABELLE DESUYO
CHAIRPERSON
DISTRICT YOUTH SERVICE
"The potential of our youth is not just our hope; it is our responsibility to nurture and guide it.
Through YOUTH SERVICE, we are building tomorrow's leaders today."

Rotaract
District 3780

ROTARACT DISTRICT 3780

ROTARACT REPRESENTATIVE

INSPIRE • EMPOWER • TRANSFORM



"Perhaps, the biggest challenge this Rotary Year is not to become someone else, but rather to become who we were really meant to be; Stellar."

- Inaugural Speech, CLLS 2026

Cachi

SERVE. LEAD. STELLAR.

CREATE LASTING IMPACT

ONE DISTRICT. ONE VISION.
Limitless Service.

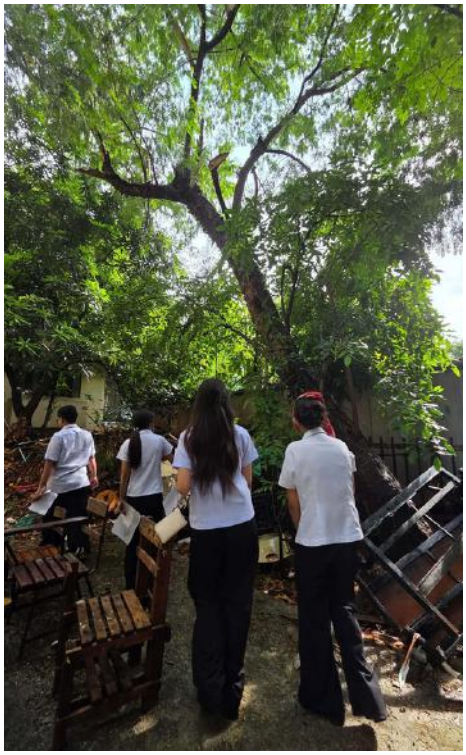
ROTARACT DISTRICT 3780
STELLAR IN SERVICE

UNO, DOS, TREES: IAC Conducts Campus-Wide Tree Inventory

As part of its commitment to environmental stewardship, the Interact Club (IAC) successfully conducted the UNO, DOS, TREES (Beat the Heat with Counting Trees) project this June. The initiative aimed to create a comprehensive inventory of the trees within the school campus by identifying, classifying, and documenting different tree species and recording their total number. Through this activity, the club supported environmental monitoring while promoting awareness of the importance of preserving green spaces.

The project involved a campus-wide tree inventory led by IAC officers. Members carefully inspected various areas of the school, identified tree species, counted each tree, and organized the gathered information into a consolidated report. The completed inventory was prepared for documentation and reference, contributing to future environmental planning and serving as valuable data for the school administration and relevant environmental agencies.

The successful completion of UNO, DOS, TREES strengthened the club's commitment to sustainable environmental practices. Beyond producing an accurate record of the school's tree population, the project encouraged students to appreciate the role of trees in maintaining a healthy and climate-resilient campus. The activity also reinforced the values of responsibility, teamwork, and environmental conservation among participating officers. Through initiatives like this, the Interact Club continues to demonstrate that meaningful action, no matter how simple, can make a positive contribution to protecting the environment and fostering a greener school community.





"SUSTAIN - SYA"
A CSR Initiative for Sustainable Nutrition

We, the Interact Club of Juan Sumulong High School, together with the Prism – Pride Council and Future Entrepreneurs, conducted SUSTAIN-SYA: A CSR Initiative for Sustainable Nutrition to support 30 identified undernourished learners through a feeding program and nutrition education.

The project aimed to improve the learners' nutritional well-being by providing balanced and healthy meals while promoting awareness of affordable and nutritious food choices. During the activity, volunteers served nutritious meals and conducted a short discussion on proper nutrition and healthy eating habits.

As a result, the learners received immediate nutritional support while gaining practical knowledge that can help them make healthier food choices. The project also strengthened the club's commitment to serving the community by promoting health, education, and sustainable development.









Together with the Prism – Pride Council and Future Entrepreneurs, we successfully conducted this project on July 30, 2026. The project not only focused on providing food and lessons but also aimed to enhance the learners' overall experience through games and interactive activities that boosted their energy and encouraged participation. We also gave them tokens of appreciation for attending and supporting the project.

SUSTAIN-SYA left a positive impact on the 30 learners by providing not only immediate nutritional support but also knowledge and experiences that can benefit them beyond the activity. Through the program, the learners received balanced and nutritious meals that supported their nutritional needs. Together, we can make a difference, create meaningful experiences, and leave a lasting impact in our community.

K.A.L.E.S.A.
(Kalinisan sa Lansangan, Esensya ng Sandigan)

BY: SHANNIAH MAUREEN VALENCIA

Guided by DepEd's core values Maka-Bayan and Maka-Kalikasan, Interact Club of Tandang Sora National High School, presents the club's own Project K.A.L.E.S.A. (Kalinisan sa Lansangan, Esensya ng Sandigan) which is conducted every last Saturday of the month from 6:00am to 9:00am with the goal of contributing towards environmental care with the club's IAC Officers, Members, and Adviser's help.

The club aims to keep the town's main roads clean and garbage-free so as to prevent disease-carrying infested drainage systems, while cultivating discipline in waste management for both the student body and the community with the help of the former.
Moreover, collaboration and relationship between the school and community will be strengthened with this club project. With the club's own cleanliness campaign called Oplan Tapon-wasto, volunteers are to be mobilized to conduct street cleaning and segregation activities in assigned areas to sort biodegradable, non-biodegradable, and recyclable materials.

In relation to this, the club will be using materials provided by the school such as brooms, dustpans, and sacks to avoid the school budget in any way, thus the theme "Ang Bayan Ay Nagkakaisa, Walang Salapi, Pero May Pagmamahal!"

Lastly, a Monthly Boda or Bayanihan Day will be organized where the club will request assistance from the barangay to transport collected garbage for proper disposal. Project K.A.L.E.S.A is not only about keeping the roads clean but it also promotes zero-waste and instills a sense of belongingness among Interactors contributing towards the club's own objectives with the help of the community.

Working hand-in-hand with each other, we can contribute towards a better and cleaner environment for everyone. Together, our active youth and passionate student leaders will continue to foster change and inspire neighboring communities to do the same in making our locality a better place.







OrgQuest Year III: Where Fun Meets Service By the Interact Club of Ernesto Rondon High School

By the Interact Club of Ernesto Rondon High School







The Interact Club of Ernesto Rondon High School (ERHS) successfully conducted OrgQuest Year III on June 11, 2026, as part of its commitment to membership development and community service. The event was designed to introduce the organization to students and encourage them to explore opportunities in service, leadership, and fellowship while experiencing the vibrant community that the Interact Club offers.

To engage participants, the club set up an interactive booth featuring two exciting games. "I-Shoot Mo ang Ball!" challenged students to test their accuracy and coordination by aiming Ping-Pong balls into designated spaces on egg trays. Meanwhile, "Guess the Color" tested their observation and memory skills by having them match pairs of colored cups placed on opposite sides of a divider. Participants also received prizes such as biscuits and stickers, which added excitement and encouraged greater participation throughout the event.

Beyond the games, the booth showcased the Interact Club's accomplishments from previous Rotary years, highlighting its community service initiatives, leadership projects, and lasting impact both within and beyond the school. This display provided students with a deeper understanding of the organization's mission and inspired many to become part of its service-driven community.

OrgQuest Year III was a remarkable success, attracting over 350 student participants. Many students expressed their interest in joining by signing up to become official members of the Interact Club of ERHS. Through this initiative, the club strengthened its presence within the school, welcomed a new generation of young leaders, and reaffirmed its commitment to creating meaningful opportunities for students to serve, lead, and make a positive difference in their communities.

Presidents-Elect Learning Seminar (PELS): Preparing Leaders to Create Lasting Impact

District Rotaract Secretary CP Patricia Denise Cabreros

On May 23, 2026, the Rotaract Clubs of Rotary International District 3780 successfully conducted the Presidents-Elect Learning Seminar (PELS) at MatTEAu's Food & Beverage House, attended by 19 Club Presidents-Elect preparing to lead their respective clubs in the upcoming Rotary Year.

Guided by Rotary's vision to Create Lasting Impact, the seminar provided participants with practical leadership skills, district operational knowledge, and governance updates essential for effective club leadership.

The program began with DRRN CP Chivas Ayroso, who facilitated an engaging session on personal leadership, covering self-awareness, strengths assessment, habit systems, and creating a personal leadership plan. Through the "My Leadership Identity Card" activity, participants reflected on the leaders they aspire to become and the impact they hope to create.

District Rotaract Secretary CP Patricia Denise G. Cabreros discussed key district operations, including the District Calendar, Star Points System, and DRRs Visit Guidelines, emphasizing organization, accountability, and active participation throughout the Rotary Year.
District Rotaract Representative Stephen James C. Cachuela led a session on governance initiatives, focusing on SEC and BIR Registration and Bank Account Updating, followed by an open discussion where Presidents-Elect addressed concerns and shared best practices.

The event was further enriched by an inspiring message from District Governor Rhyan G. Virrey, who encouraged the incoming leaders to embrace servant leadership and create meaningful, lasting change within their clubs and communities.

The seminar concluded with team-building activities facilitated by ADRRs PP Vladimir Beldeniza, IPP Andrey Francisco, and IPP JJ Lagrimas, strengthening collaboration and fellowship among the district's future club leaders.

Through PELS, the Rotaract District 3780 reaffirmed its commitment to developing capable leaders who are ready to create lasting impact through service, leadership, and sustainable club excellence.















District Team Begins the Year with Purpose at DTLS 2026–2027

District Rotaract Secretary CP Patricia Denise Cabreros

Every meaningful journey begins with people who share the same vision. On April 11, 2026, fifteen Rotaract District Officers came together at MatTEAu's Food & Beverage House for the District Team Learning Seminar (DTLS), taking the first step toward a Rotary year dedicated to Creating Lasting Impact.

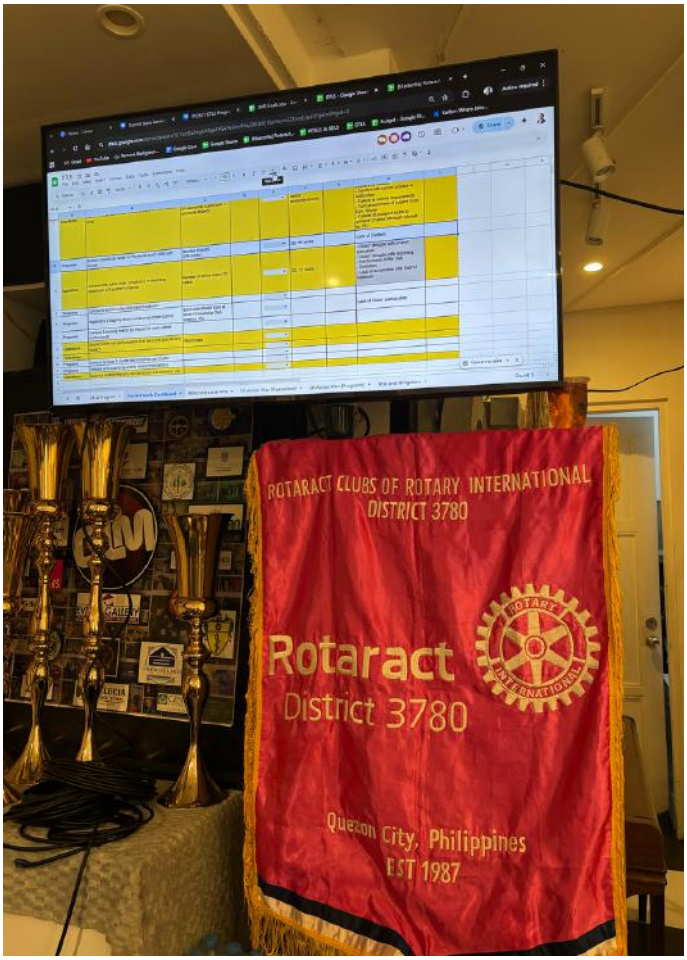
More than a planning session, DTLS became a space where ideas were shared, friendships were strengthened, and a collective purpose was renewed. Through engaging plenary sessions and collaborative workshops, district officers aligned their goals, identified key priorities, and developed practical strategies that will guide the district throughout Rotary Year 2026-2027. Together, they explored how every committee, every initiative, and every leader plays a vital role in building a stronger and more impactful district.

The conversations extended beyond plans and timelines. They sparked inspiration, encouraged collaboration, and reminded every officer that leadership is not carried alone–it is strengthened by trust, teamwork, and a genuine desire to serve others. As committees worked side by side, they laid not only the foundations of their projects but also the relationships that will sustain them through the challenges and successes of the year ahead.

As the seminar came to a close, the district team left with more than refined goals and strategic plans. They carried with them renewed confidence, deeper connections, and a shared commitment to lead with purpose. United by one vision, the officers of Rotaract District 3780 are ready to transform plans into action, empower clubs across the district, and create a lasting impact–one leader, one project, and one community at a time.







RAC On, QCRACStars Academy

By: IPP Julio Lorenzo Abatayo

Hal**ika na–class is in session!**

Last August 01, the Rotaract Clubs of Rotary International District 3780 kicked off its flagship professional service program, the QCRACStars Academy: In Your Adulting Era. Designed for everyone at the cusp of their "adulting eras," the multi-session speaker series empowers Rotaractors, Interactors, and youth from all backgrounds with essential professional skills to jumpstart their careers.

A cohort of thirty-six Rotaractors attended the inaugural session via the official RID 3780 Discord server, where their enthusiasm and curiosity outshone the rainy Sunday skies. With the guidance of the session's guest lecturers, the cohort spent the afternoon learning about essential job application requirements:

- ·"Class 101: No ID, No Problem," led by PDRR Sen Villanueva of RID 3810, cleared the ground on the what, why, and how of securing Philippine IDs and clearances.

- ·"Class 102: Tracing Your Character Lore," led by DRRE Roy Anselmo Jaluag of RID 3810, walked the participants through effective resume- and portfolio-building, and cohesive personal branding.

Clear, relevant, and informative–these were what the cohort had to say about the session. One participant reflected about how the ID application process wasn't as complicated as they first thought. Multiple attendees appreciated the tip to imagine their resumes and portfolios as storytelling tools that highlight their best selves. And everyone from the cohort agreed: there's a lot more to learn with QCRACStars Academy.

The curriculum has much more in store not just for this cohort, but for everyone interested to sit in for the next classes scheduled throughout the Rotary Year. With topics including digital branding & presence, professional etiquette, job searching, and taxes for beginners, the Academy continues to seek one goal: to create a lasting impact for its RACStars' professional lives.









TANGLAW 2026 Lights the Way for a New Generation of Rotaract Leaders

By: CP Patricia Denise Cabreros











More than 100 Rotaractors from across District 3780 gathered on June 27, 2026, as the Rotaract Club of Quezon City MediaTech, in partnership with Rotaract District 3780, hosted TANGLAW 2026: Club Leadership Learning Seminar at the QC Community Center. True to its name, Tanglaw became a beacon that illuminated the path for leaders ready to create a lasting legacy of service.

Throughout the day, participants were challenged to think beyond projects and events–to lead with purpose, vision, and impact. Sessions led by DRR Stephen James "Cachi" Cachuela, PDRR YSC Dianna Desuyo, DRRE Carlos Requino, DS Denise Cabreros, and DDCOS Xamantha Lucenario explored strategic planning, governance, measurable goals, district branding, project reporting, and sustainable leadership. The discussions encouraged club leaders to transform ideas into meaningful action while building stronger, more resilient organizations.

Adding a creative perspective, guest speaker Chino "Tita Krissy" Liu inspired participants to communicate with authenticity through compelling visual storytelling, impactful poster design, and intentional club branding–reminding everyone that every story shared has the power to inspire others to serve.

The day's highlight was the District Induction Ceremony, where District Governor Rhyan Virrey formally inducted District Rotaract Representative Stephen James "Cachi" Cachuela, followed by the oath-taking of the District Officers, the induction of the Creating Legacy Club Presidents, and the district's newest Rotaract members.
As one Rotary year begins, TANGLAW 2026 reminds every Rotaractor that leadership is not measured by titles, but by the lives we touch, the communities we strengthen, and the legacy we choose to create. Together, these leaders now carry the light forward–ready to inspire, serve, and lead with purpose.

SILOM 2026: SIBOL KABATAAN: Shaping Perspectives and Creating Lasting Impact

Rotaract Club of Mega Edsa (RACME)



In order to prepare and hone the students and campus journalists of Balara High School (BHS), the Rotaract Club of Mega Edsa (RACME) launched its 3rd Community Press Conference last July 25 in the BHS Audio-Visual Room.

For three consecutive years, the Rotaract of Mega Edsa's Community Press Conference (formerly Illumina and Illumina 2.0), now SILOM 2026 (Silom is a Surigaonon term meaning bukas or kinabukasan), is a competition in journalism for youth that hones skills and learning in the journalism field. Inspired by the Schools Press Conference of the Department of Education (DepEd), it equips aspiring journalists and also other youth who want to gain experience to learn basic journalistic writing, be literate, and be a voice to others by using a pen. It is also an avenue for them to learn to write, to report, and to raise awareness about the issues existing in our community.

Participants who joined the SILOM 2026 attended a training seminar by the invited trainers and speakers before the actual competition. The trainers and speakers also served as the judges of their categories and declared three winners in each category.









Moreover, the program was started and has been led by CLP Glenn Payosing since 2024, who is also a former Campus Journalist and has won various awards for the said school. He expresses his great appreciation to those who continue to support the legacy program, including the Rotary Club of Mega EDSA, Rotaract Club of Mega EDSA, and Interact Club of Balara High School.

So far, BHS managed to bring back its former glory in 2025 at the District 3 Press Conference, as the school was hailed as the 2nd Overall Top Performing School, a podium finish finally achieved after 6 years.

Clouds of Kindness: KaTechys visits Iskolar Reading Center

By: Public Image Director Nicole Asuncion







The Rotary and Rotaract Club of Quezon City MediaTech's mission goes beyond Quezon City. Through Aklatang Bayan, we have reached multiple communities in Metro Manila. Through this advocacy, we found organizations with the same heart in promoting quality education.

On July 29, 2026, Public Image Director Nicole Asuncion, along with six community volunteers, visited Iskolar Reading Center INC, a community library Silang, Cavite. The spacious community library hosts readers ages 5 to 16, with the mission to promote literacy in the community.

On the day of the visit, around 50 children came to Iskolar. The program opened with an energizer led by YWAVES Director Natalie Grubbs, which had the children dancing and singing along. Afterward, the children gathered for an interactive animated storybook entitled "Nimbus the Kind Cloud," illustrated by PID Asuncion and read by the author himself, CFYV Cavite Club Service Chair Charles Vitug. The story resonated with the young hearts, who were immersed both in the beautiful illustrations and in its valuable lessons. Through Nimbus' story, we wanted young readers to know that no matter the circumstance, the heart to help and the willingness to do good is what truly matters. Through the comprehension questions given afterward, our volunteers heard a range of interpretations from the children, each reflecting their own understanding of the importance of volunteerism. The day ended with a closing prayer, with hearts full of hope.

The Rotary and Rotaract Club of Quezon City MediaTech extends our heartfelt gratitude to our partner organizations and donors: the Center for Filipino Youth Volunteers-Cavite Chapter, YWAVES Youth Arm of FMI Global, the Rotaract Club of PNTC Colleges, and Mrs. Emellee Grubbs, for their generosity, making this initiative possible. Like Nimbus, we believe that the smallest act of kindness can grow into something that creates waves of change, one community at a time.

Rotaract Treelane: Growing a Greener Future, One Tree At A Time

BY: MS. LOUISA JAE M. VALDEZ (RACQC MEMBER)

The Tree Planting Activity was conducted on July 4, 2026, through the partnership between the Rotaract Club of Quezon City and Carat Land Philippines. Held in Morong, Rizal, the Rotaract Treelane project, aligned with Rotary's Environment Area of Focus, gathered 115 volunteers who shared a commitment to environmental conservation. The initiative demonstrated how fandom communities and civic organizations can work together to create meaningful and lasting change while strengthening their partnership and providing CARATs with opportunities to participate in environmental programs.

The project promoted environmental stewardship through action and education. Volunteers planted tree seedlings to support reforestation efforts and help restore green spaces. Participants also attended the Campaign for Environmental Protection and Sustainability talk, which included a presentation on proper waste segregation at source. The session highlighted the importance of responsible waste management in reducing pollution, improving resource recovery, and protecting the environment. It also encouraged participants to practice sustainable habits daily.









Beyond planting trees, the activity inspired CARATs to turn their passion into meaningful action. It demonstrated that fandom can extend beyond supporting artists by contributing positively to society and the environment. The project strengthened teamwork, community engagement, volunteerism, and environmental awareness among participants.

The impact of the initiative extends beyond the activity itself. Each tree planted can contribute to cleaner air, improved biodiversity, carbon absorption, and healthier ecosystems for future generations. Overall, the collaboration between Carat Land Philippines and the Rotaract Club of Quezon City demonstrated the power of collective action in advancing environmental advocacy. Its success can inspire future partnerships that encourage more CARATs and community members to participate in sustainability initiatives and continue creating positive change for people, communities, and the planet.

By combining environmental action, education, and community participation, the project created a strong foundation for continued collaboration and long-term sustainability efforts in future programs.

UndiesRated1

BY: CLP **CARL ANGELO V. TIMTIMAN**





The "UndiesRated" project of the Rotaract Club of Midtown QC was a community service initiative that provided essential personal care items to families affected by the Barangay Sauyo fire incident. Held on June 29, 2026, at Barangay Sauyo, the project aimed to support the immediate needs of fire victims by providing undergarments and sanitary products.

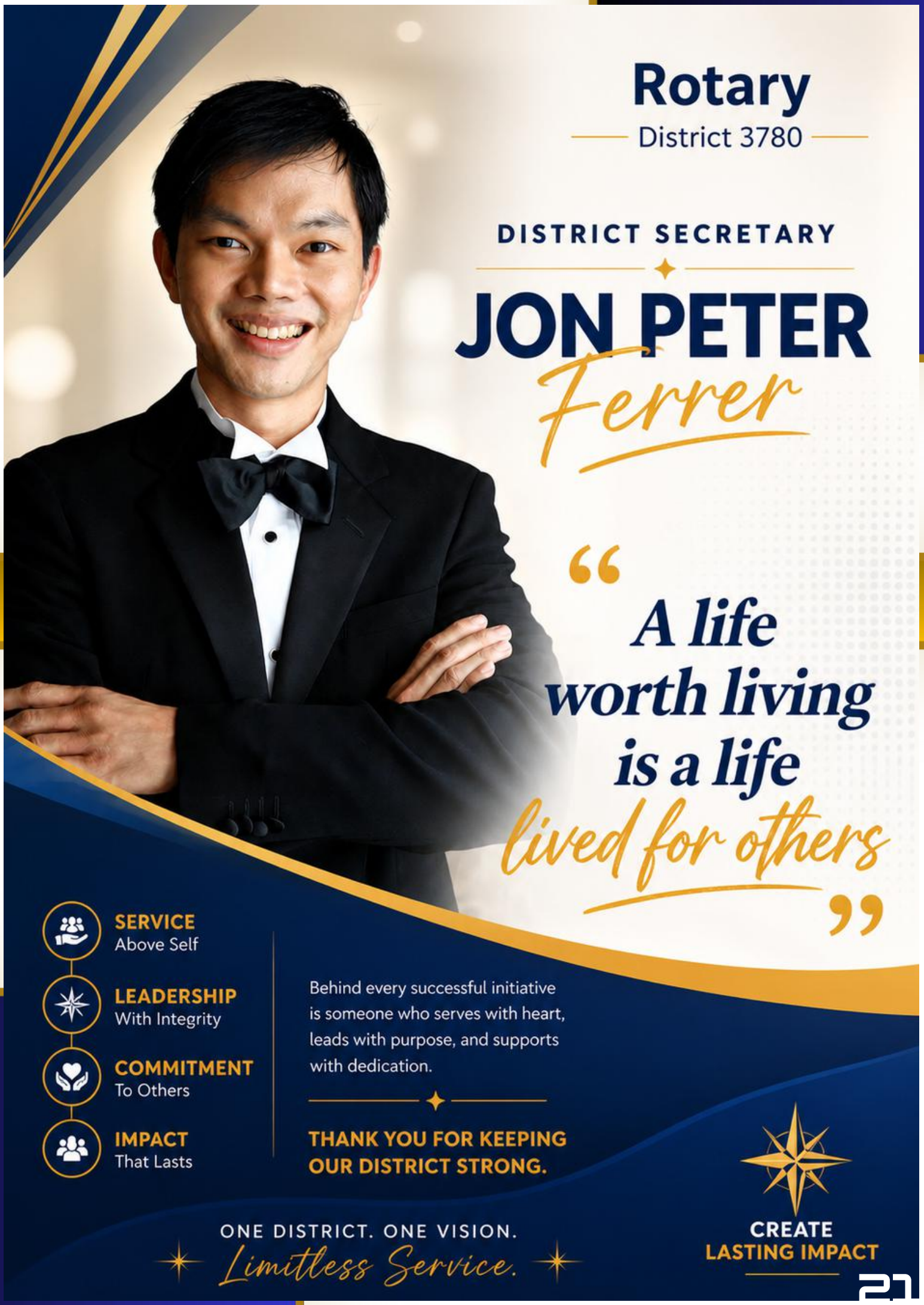
During the activity, the club distributed 100 pieces of underwear and 40 packs of sanitary napkins to affected residents. The donation turnover was conducted in coordination with Barangay Sauyo to ensure that the assistance reached families recovering from the incident. Club members participated in the distribution and interacted with the beneficiaries, providing support beyond the donated items.

The project addressed a basic yet often overlooked need of communities affected by emergencies. Through the collective efforts of Rotaractors and supporters, "UndiesRated" provided essential supplies that helped promote comfort and dignity among the fire victims.

Through this initiative, the Rotaract Club of Midtown QC continued its commitment to service above self by responding to urgent community needs and extending assistance to those affected by unexpected challenges.



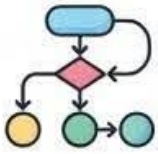



Rotary
District 3780
DISTRICT SECRETARY
JON PETER
Ferrer
"A life worth living is a life lived for others"
SERVICE
Above Self
LEADERSHIP
With Integrity
COMMITMENT
To Others
IMPACT
That Lasts
Behind every successful initiative is someone who serves with heart, leads with purpose, and supports with dedication.
THANK YOU FOR KEEPING OUR DISTRICT STRONG.
ONE DISTRICT. ONE VISION.
Limitless Service.
CREATE
LASTING IMPACT


ROTARY DISTRICT 3780
DISTRICT CHIEF OF STAFF
Merce
CANECA
The journey
to greatness
must be anchored
on goodness.
Our leadership
must serve as
a guiding compass.

Rotary
District 3780

GOVERNOR'S MONTHLY LETTER (GML) GUIDELINES



GML Guidelines Introduction

To help us run a smooth and organized publication schedule, here is a quick guide on our submission process.



Submission Cutoff:

Every 7th day of the month.



One Project Limit:

To ensure total fairness and give every single club an equal opportunity to shine on a District-wide level, we strictly accept **ONE** project writeup per club per month.



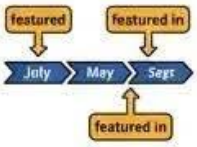
Submission Requirements:

Each submission must include the project writeup (300 WORDS max in .doc file) and 5 ACTION PHOTOS.



Official Email:

Please send all entries to: **gml.d3780@gmail.com**



Timeline Schedule:

Projects completed in July will be featured in the August issue; projects completed in August will be featured in the September issue, and so on.



Missed Cutoffs:

If your club isn't able to meet the 7th-day cutoff date for a specific month, don't worry! We can consider featuring your project in the following issue. We just ask that you send a brief note or letter of reconsideration to the GML Team so we can adjust our publishing layout accordingly.

Remember: The GML is not a contest, nor is it a barometer for year-end recognition and awards. It is simply a shared space to highlight the wonderful service work being done across our District. We hope this guidance offers clarity moving forward.

Thank you for your continued dedication, leadership, and support.
- GML Team



Rotary

Discover, Unite & Act

2026 Pattaya Rotary Institute

November 18-22, 2026
Pattaya Thailand

Contact Person +63 927 651 4700
PP Mai Lacaden

PDG Florian Enriquez
On-to Pattaya Chair

Rotary | BARCELONA 2027

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION

BARCELONA 2027



26–30 JUNE 2027

FIRA DE BARCELONA GRAN VIA

5-DAY EARLY-BIRD OFFER
REGISTER 17–21 SEPTEMBER 2026

REGISTRATION RATES

CATEGORY	17–21 SEP 2026	22 SEP 2026–31 MAR 2027	1 APR–30 JUN 2027
AGE 31+	US$595	US$795	US$895
AGE 30 OR UNDER	US$250	US$350	US$400
AGE 5–18	US$20	US$30	US$40
UNDER AGE 5	FREE	FREE	FREE

Let's meet in Barcelona!

THE GOOD SERVE

Pickleball Open Play

ORGANIZED BY
THE ROTARY CLUB OF CONSTITUTION HILL-BAGONG SANDIGAN
DISTRICT 3780

ALL SKILL LEVELS WELCOME

LIMITED SLOTS ONLY!

Aug. 31, 2026, Monday (Holiday)
The Celebrity Club, Quezon City
8:00AM-12:00NN
P400 / PLAYER

BRING YOUR OWN PADDLE.

PAY VIA GCASH TO KAROL ANNE D.
09176254986

REGISTER VIA THE QR CODE



Rotary Club of Constitution Hill - Bagong Sandigan

CREATE LASTING IMPACT


Interact
District 3780
CREATE LASTING IMPACT
Leadership
ICLLS 2026
INTERACT CLUB LEADERSHIP LEARNING SEMINAR 2026
Own the Beat, Lead the Impact!
7AM-5PM
QUEZON CITY SCIENCE HIGH SCHOOL DOME
AUG
29
REGISTRATION FEE:
PHP 600
Send your payment to:
Rotary Club of Bagong Silangan
BDO Account:
00 201 801 8061
GCash Account: 09175341850 - Edilberto G. Aguila
HOSTED BY:
Rotary
Club of Bagong Silangan
Rotary
District 3780

DISTRICT REMINDERS

"A life worth living is a life lived for others"

UPCOMING COMMUNITY PROJECT

"Hatid Kalinga, Mula sa Puso"

September 26, 2026

Bulwagang Claret, Quezon City

KEY DEADLINES

- **Sept 17:**
  Pay July Invoice to qualify for Club Excellence Awards
- **Oct 15:**
  Submit 1st Quarter Accomplishment Report

ACTION ITEMS

- **Philippine Rotary Magazine:**
  Pay your July arrears
- **Club Central Goals:**
  Update your club goals online

Check the Updated District Calendar of Activities for more details!