## GROUP VOCATIONAL SERVICE EXCHANGE





## DEVELOPING PROFESSIONAL AND LEADERSHIP SKILLS THROUGHOUT THE WORLD

The Rotary Group Vocational Service Exchange Program is one of the great gems of Rotary:

- ♦ A four-week program for a team of young, non-Rotarian professionals.
- A unique cultural/vocational opportunity to develop professional and leadership skills.
- A once-in-a-lifetime journey involving vocational activities, cultural experiences, service projects, and fellowship opportunities.
- ♦ A tool to recruit future Rotarians.

The 2017 exchange will be with **District 3460 in Taiwan.** There is an outbound team and an inbound team.

The Inbound team will be in our district from April 22, - May 20 2017. The Outbound team will arrive in Taiwan on March 18, 2017 and will return to the U.S. on April 15th.

District 3460, with 109 clubs and 5,050+ Rotarians, includes the diversified industrial city of



Taichung, the county of Nantou with its mountains and aboriginal charm, and the coastline county of Changhua with its many Buddhist temples.

## **How to apply for the Outbound Team:**

- Team Leader Applicants—A Team Leader must be an active Rotarian for at least one full year. He/she assumes
  complete charge of the team and remains with the team for the duration of the tour. Must be energetic, physically/mentally able to keep pace with a rigorous program. <u>Deadline for submitting Team Leader application is</u>
  September 30, 2016.
- **Team Member Applicants** The team is made up of four non-Rotarian Members. A Team Member must be a fully employed professional between the ages of 25 and 40 who lives or works in Rotary District 7390. Cannot be a Rotarian or a spouse or lineal descendent of a Rotarian. <a href="Deadline for submitting Team Member application">Deadline for submitting Team Member application</a> is October 31, 2016.

Your Club can help create an outstanding team. Is there a fellow Rotarian who would make an excellent Team Leader? Rotarians strong in leadership skills are encouraged to apply. Do you know a young professional eager to expand their professional skills? Invite them to your club and encourage them to apply as a Team Member. Contact and distribute the Team Member recruitment flyer to your employees, social clubs, Young Professional groups, Chamber of Commerce.

When sponsoring a Team Member, the club is responsible to interview the candidate and to invite an appointed Team Member to club meetings as a guest in order for the Team Member to gain understanding of Rotary and the projects of the sponsoring club. A sponsoring club is responsible for providing the Team Leader or Team Member with \$250.00 to assist with expenses such as uniforms.

Application forms can be found on the district site or contact Peg Sennett, GVSE Chair, phone: 717-630-8281, email pegsennett@hotmail.com. All team members must have a passport valid through July 2017.