

Rotary
District 1700



The Rotarian
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History

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Rotary and the United Nations

Rotary was present at the start of the United Nations in 1945.

Rotary International was one of 42 organizations invited to serve as consultants to the U.S. delegation to the United Nations Conference on International Organization in San Francisco, California, USA (commonly called the UN charter conference).

Additionally, many Rotary members and honorary members from around the world attended the conference as members of and consultants to their nations' delegations.

Rotary and the United Nations remain committed to creating lasting change that enhances international relationships, improves lives and communities, and creates a more peaceful world.

Today, Rotary International holds the highest consultative status offered to a nongovernmental organization by the UN's Economic and Social Council (UNESCO).

The Rotary Representative Network, established in 1991, maintains and furthers this relationship with several UN bodies, programs, commissions, and agencies.



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