



MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Thank you for your interest in the Rotary Club of South Bend. We would love to have you as a member!

We're thrilled that you're considering joining our vibrant community of service-minded leaders. Becoming a Rotarian means becoming part of something bigger — a global network of more than **1.2 million changemakers** in over **45,000 clubs** around the world. Together, we live out our motto: **Service Above Self**. Rotary is more than a weekly meeting — it's a chance to build lasting friendships, develop leadership skills, and make a tangible impact both locally and globally.

Membership Process & Expectations

Rotary membership begins with an invitation. New members are typically sponsored by a current Rotarian and must demonstrate strong character, leadership in their profession or community, and a genuine commitment to service. We welcome individuals who are ready to roll up their sleeves, get involved, and contribute their time, talent, and resources to support the mission of Rotary.

Here's what you need to know as you begin this journey:

- **Application Fee:** A one-time **\$100 application fee** is due with your application.
- **Annual Dues:** Dues are **\$360 per year**, prorated based on the month you join. Our fiscal year runs **July 1 – June 30**. You'll receive an invoice for the balance of your dues (minus application fee) upon approval by the Board.
- **Board Review:** Your application will be reviewed at the next Board of Directors meeting. If approved, our general membership has a 10-day period for feedback.
- **Participation Encouraged:** You're welcome to attend meetings and get involved while your application is pending.
- **Weekly Meetings:** We meet every **Wednesday from Noon to 1:00 PM** at the Century Center. You'll choose either a **\$4 beverage** or **\$15 lunch** (cash or credit).
- **Financial Commitment:** The typical annual cost of being a Rotarian is around **\$600**, which includes dues, weekly fines and optional contributions to Rotary causes. Financial giving is just one way to be engaged and involved in Rotary.
- **Member Engagement and Service:** From hands-on local projects to global initiatives, Rotary offers countless ways to make a difference. By actively engaging — whether through club committees, service projects, weekly meetings, or social events — you're not just showing up, you're investing in the strength and spirit of our club. Your involvement helps create a vibrant, welcoming community and ensures Rotary is a meaningful experience for everyone. Along the way, you'll discover opportunities to support causes close to your heart with your time, your expertise, and your generosity — all while deepening your own Rotary journey.

Rotary is where friendships flourish, ideas grow, and service makes a difference. We're excited to welcome you to our club — and to the worldwide family of Rotary.

If you have any questions, please email our club's administrative coordinator, Jessica Lambert at jessica@mcgannhay.com.



**ROTARY CLUB OF SOUTH BEND
APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP**

CONTACT INFORMATION:

Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____
Nickname: _____ Partner/Spouse: _____
Email: _____ Phone: _____
Home Address: _____
City/Zip: _____

Employer/Business: _____
Job Title/Position: _____
Business Address: _____
City/Zip: _____
Work Email: _____ Work Phone: _____
What contact information do you want as the primary contact? ☐ Home ☐ Work
Do you hold any certifications or licenses (i.e. Lawyer, CPA, PhD, etc.)? _____
What is the industry in which your employer/business? _____

COMMUNITY SERVICE EXPERIENCE

Have you ever been in a Rotary Club before? Name of club and when? _____

Positions held: _____

Other current service clubs/or community service involvement: _____

ROTARY INTEREST

What piqued your interest in joining Rotary? _____

What experience or skills do you have that you feel would contribute positively to your involvement in Rotary?

What are your areas of interest in community service? _____

I certify that the information provided on this applicant is true and correct.

Signature of Applicant

Date

**ROTARY CLUB OF SOUTH BEND
MEMBERSHIP SPONSOR FORM**

(To be completed by your sponsor and submitted with your application)

This form should be completed by a current Rotary member who is proposing a new member and submitted with your application or sent to Jessica. If you do not have a sponsor, contact the current Rotary President or Membership Chair and we will connect you with a current Rotarian.

SPONSORSHIP INFORMATION

Who are you proposing for Membership? _____

How are you acquainted with this individual? _____

What is your name (please type or print)? _____

SPONSOR CERTIFICATION

I certify that the proposed member meets one or more of the following criteria for membership.

- **Good Character and Reputation:** Proposed member is of good character and possess a positive reputation in their business, profession, or community.
- **Professional/Community Involvement:** Proposed member holds or have held a position of responsibility in a recognized and/or worthy business or profession.
- **Commitment to Service:** Proposed member demonstrates a commitment to service through active involvement in community or professional activities is essential.
- **Willingness to Participate:** Proposed member is willing to actively participate in club meetings, projects, financial giving or service activities.
- **Vicinity:** Proposed member lives or works within the vicinity of the club for a portion of the year

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Signature of Rotarian: _____

Please mail completed application and \$100 deposit to:

Rotary Club of South Bend
P.O. Box 11314
South Bend, IN 46634-0314

Email: _____

Office Use Only

Application received by office: _____ Received by: _____

Proposed Classification: _____