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Downtown Davao

**Rotary**  
Club



**CREATE HOPE**  
in the **WORLD**

*"Hope is the heart of Christmas"*



**HAPPY HOLIDAYS!!!**



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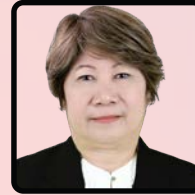
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# PRAYER

Heavenly Father, as we gather together for this Christmas party and Birthday celebration, we thank you for the gift of friendship. Thank you for bringing us together in the spirit of love and generosity. May tonight be filled with blessings of love, laughter and good company. Dear Lord, send blessings of good health to our dear Mother Marina. May she have long life filled with bliss fulfillment and happiness. May your light shine upon us, Amen

# QUOTE OF THE MONTH

*"It's not how much we give, but how much love we put into giving."*  
- Mother Theresa

# ABOUT THE COVER



RCDD sparkled with festive lights as it held its annual Christmas Party. Laughter, heartfelt gift exchanges, and a diverse feast defined the evening. No elaborate ceremonies, just a pause to reflect on a year of service. As the night concluded, the RCDD left an impression of genuine connections and a shared commitment to making a positive impact to Create Hope in the World.

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# President's Message



**Ma. Gwendelyn V. Sabsal**  
President, RY 2023-2024

Dear Fellow Rotarians,

Merry Christmas to you and your families! As we celebrate this joyous season, may the spirit of giving and goodwill fill our hearts with warmth and HOPE.

I am genuinely grateful for the dedication and passion that each of you brings to our club especially as we share our kindness to the young learners with special needs. And I am looking forward to the impact that we will make together with our partners in service.

Let us all continue to embody the true essence of Rotary by spreading love and making a positive difference this holiday season.

Again, I wish you all a warm and joyous Christmas filled with the spirit of Rotary!



**8th REGULAR MEETING & FELLOWSHIP  
DECEMBER 16, 2023, Saturday, 6:00 PM  
Salome's Garden by  
Chippens, Cabantian, Davao City**

**PROGRAMME**

**Theme: HOPE IS THE HEART OF CHRISTMAS**

**I. Call To Order & Christmas Message  
President Gwen**

**Turnover to the Program Host  
VP Patmei Ruivivar**

**Pause muna , Peace Muna  
AVP**

**Christmas Prayer  
PP Liza Joy Hilario**

**Singing of the Philippine National Anthem  
Recitation of The Mission of Rotary International**

**Acknowledgment of Visiting  
Rotarians, Rotaractors and Guests  
PP Bolyn Puno**

**Welcome Song  
The Downtowners**

**II CELEBRATION OF LIFE & FELLOWSHIP  
PP Vilma  
Sunshine and Fellowship Chair**

**Honoring the December Birthday Celebrants:**

**Dec. 1. - Diane Janolino**

**Dec 3 - Cora Costan**

**Dec. 6 - Patrick Co**

**Dec, 7. - AJ Mode**

**Dec. 8 - Andrea Osorio**

**Dec, 23- Marina Ruivivar**

**Dec, 28 - Jason Diga**

**Blowing of the Birthday Candles by the Celebrants**

**III AWARDING OF THE OUTSTANDING ROTARIAN FOR  
THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER  
by PP/Club Administrator Lit-Lit Ang**

**IV AWARDING OF PRIZES TO THE EARLY BIRDS and TO  
THE BARKADAHAN WITH HIGHEST ATTENDANCE  
by PP/Club Administrator Lit-Lit Ang**

**V. ELECTION of RY 2024-2025 OFFICERS  
President Gwen**

**VI CHRISTMAS FELLOWSHIP AND EXCHANGE GIFTS**

**Colors of Attires:  
GREEN : Inspiring Barkadahan  
RED : Motivating Barkadahan  
Gold : Promising Barkadahan**

**MERRY CHRISTMAS and a HAPPY NEW YEAR!  
Incharge: the MOTIVATING BARKADAHAN**

# The Mission of Rotary International

We provide service to others, promote integrity and advance world understanding, goodwill and peace through our fellowship of business, professionals and community leaders.

## The 4-Way Test

of the things we think, say or do

1. Is it the **TRUTH**?
2. Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?
3. Will it build **GOODWILL & BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?
4. Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?

## Core Values

Fellowship, Integrity, Diversity,  
Service, Integrity and Leadership

## Object of Rotary

The Object of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise and, in particular, to encourage and foster:

**First:** The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service;

**Second:** High ethical standards in business and professions; the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations; and the dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society;

**Third:** The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business, and community life;

**Fourth:** The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.



# Secretary's Page

By: **Ethel C. Caceres**  
Secretary

## Attendance Report

	1st Regular Meeting	2nd Regular Meeting	Service Projects	FELLOWSHIP
Members Actual Present	20		22	20
Members with Valid Make-up	0		0	0
Total Attendance	20		22	20
Membership Size	41		41	41
Excused due to health reasons	2		2	2
Net Membership Base	39		39	39
Total Attendance Divided by Net Membership Rate	51%		56%	51%

### EARLY BIRDS:

1. Angelita "Litlit" M. Ang
2. Joan "Joan" O. Gulanes
3. Stephanie "Steph" F. Palconit
4. Marina "Mareng" B. Ruivivar
5. Patricia Melizza "Patmei" B. Ruivivar

### Rotaractor:

1. Kenneth Miliza
2. Princess Estrellanes
3. Aranella Leuterio

## Activities for the Month

### December 2

Rotary Christmas Fiesta "Hope is the Heart of Christmas"

### December 16

RCDD Christmas Party



## Sunshine and Fellowship

By: **Vilma U. Kho**  
Sunshine Chair



Diane Janolino  
Dec 1



Cora Costan  
Dec 3



Patrick Co  
Dec 6



AJ Modequillo  
Dec 7



Andrea Osorio  
Dec 8



Marina Ruivivar  
Dec 23



Jason Digal  
Dec 28



# ROTARY INFORMATION

## ROTARY LEADS 28 SESSIONS AT UNITED NATIONS CLIMATE CONFERENCE



### Presentations and workshops at COP28 highlight community-led solutions, partnerships.

By Etelka Lehoczky

Rotary experts are hosting more than two dozen sessions at the 28th United Nations climate conference, addressing how a changing climate intersects with health, poverty, and other factors. Rotary International President R. Gordon R. McNally will discuss the mental health effects of climate-linked disasters.

The two-week conference in Dubai, also known as COP28 (short for Conference of the Parties, now in its 28th year), is the world's highest decision-making process addressing climate issues. It brings together more than 70,000 delegates from 197 countries and geographical areas as well as thousands of nongovernmental organizations, companies, and others. Rotary is taking part in the conference for the third time, highlighting community-led solutions, partnerships, and dialogue.

"The record global temperatures this year have underscored the immediate need to take action on climate change," McNally says. "They have also demonstrated the massive destructive toll that climate has taken on global mental health."

McNally notes studies connecting extreme heat to greater rates of violence and incidents of mental distress. His presentation will also address the anxiety that younger people feel because of climate change.

Recognizing the central role of young people in shaping a sustainable future, Rotary is sponsoring 12 youth volunteers to attend COP28. This amplifies young voices in the climate discussion and offers the volunteers learning opportunities and international experience.

Rotary's 28 sessions include presentations by Rotary representatives to the UN and international organizations, as well as UN agencies, NGOs, academia, and corporate entities. Meenakshi Venkataraman, a member of the Rotary Club of Nilgiris West, Tamil Nadu, India, will discuss how invasive species cause biodiversity loss. Salvador Rico, a member of the Rotary Club of South Ukiah, California, USA, will offer an introduction to community-led watershed protection efforts.

In addition, Elif Selin Calik, author of "The Renaissance of Smart Energy" and a member of the [Environmental Sustainability Rotary Action Group](#), will talk about how artificial intelligence can revolutionize areas like energy, agriculture, and disaster resilience.

# ROTARY INFORMATION

## ROTARY LEADS 28 SESSIONS AT UNITED NATIONS CLIMATE CONFERENCE



Yaseen Mohamed Jaffer Mohsen, president of the [Association of Rotary Clubs in the United Arab Emirates](#), will explore how environmental projects can be financed through corporate partnerships.

The "Climate Crisis and Health Consequences" panel, held in partnership with GAVI, the Vaccine Alliance, will address the escalating health threats posed by climate change. Moderated by Rose Cardarelli, Rotary International representative to UNICEF, the panel will feature health professionals from Rotary, the World Health Organization, UNICEF, and GAVI.

Other sessions focus on food systems, Indigenous land rights, and related topics.

From supporting vulnerable populations to forging partnerships across the public and private sectors, Rotary members are motivating progress and inspiring action on the environment. Members in the United Arab Emirates are planting 50,000 mangrove trees in partnership with the government. The restoration of mangrove forests, which help protect coastlines and marine life, is a Rotary priority.

"Mangrove ecosystems in the tropics and subtropics around the world are in peril because of their position along coastlines," says Christopher Puttock, chair of the Rotary Action Group Council. "Because of the rapid sea-level rise we are experiencing, and the persistent need for human coastal development, these ecosystems are being squeezed out of existence. Working with governments and local communities, Rotary has the unique opportunity to assist in mangrove restoration projects."

Rotary's COP28 delegation includes Trustee Chair Barry Rassin and General Secretary John Hewko, as well as Judith Diment, dean of the Rotary Representatives to the UN and International Agencies; Mohamed Delawar Aly, Rotary Representative to the Arab League; Yasar Atacik, chair of the Environmental Sustainability Rotary Action Group; and K. Neil Van Dine, chair of the Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene Rotary Action Group.

Rotary International has long worked to protect the environment by collaborating with communities to implement clean water and sanitation, alleviate poverty, and promote sustainable energy technologies. The Rotary Foundation has committed more than US\$2

Source: <https://www.rotary.org/en/rotary-leads-28-sessions-united-nations-climate-conference>



# DISTRICT 3860 UPDATES



This certifies that the Rotaract Club of

**Koronadal - St. Alexius College, Philippines**

having been duly organized and having agreed, through its officers and members, to be bound by the Constitution and Bylaws of Rotary International, which agreement is evidenced by the acceptance of this certificate, is now a duly admitted member of


**ROTARY INTERNATIONAL**


and is entitled to all the rights and privileges of such membership.

In witness whereof the signatures of its officers, being duly authorized, are subscribed hereto this **twenty-third day of August 2023**.

Admission to membership in Rotary International recommended by



  
District Governor

  
President, Rotary International

**Congratulations to the  
Rotary Club of  
Koronadal for their  
Newly Chartered  
Rotaract Club of  
Koronadal- St. Alexius  
College!**

**District Governor Nominee Designate -  
Arlene J. Adlawan**





# DISTRICT 3860 UPDATES



As we celebrate this joyous season, I extend my warmest wishes to each and every one of you. Christmas is a time for reflection, gratitude, and spreading love to those around us. Let's continue to embody the spirit of Rotary by serving our communities and making a positive impact in the lives of others.

May the magic of Christmas fill your hearts with peace and happiness, and may the New Year bring us all closer to our shared goals of service, fellowship, and goodwill.

Wishing you and your loved ones a Merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year!





# FAMILY OF ROTARY

BY PP/EDITOR-IN-CHIEF ANDREA "ANDENG" G. DELA CERNA

## Election of Officers for RY 2024-2025

- President** AJ Modequillo  
**President-Elect:** Corazon Costan  
**Vice-President:** Jason Digal  
**Secretary:** Princess Joann Deño  
**Treasurer:** Joan Gulanes  
**Asst. Treasurer:** Archie Gamboa  
**Auditor:** Liza Joy Hilario  
**PIO:** PatmeiRuivivar  
**Sgt-at-Arms:** Vilma Kho  
Irene Aquino

The Rotary Club of Downtown Davao (RCDD) has recently elected a new leadership team, embracing the Rotary spirit with a firm commitment to "Service Above Self." Members of RCDD passionately voted for individuals dedicated to upholding Rotary's core values, choosing leaders renowned for their experience and innovative thinking.

With the newly elected officers at the helm, there is palpable enthusiasm among members for the upcoming year. Their collective dedication sets the stage for collaborative initiatives that promise to make a lasting impact on the community. The anticipation is high for the positive changes and meaningful projects that will unfold under the guidance of these committed leaders, ensuring that the RCDD's legacy of service remains steadfast.



# HEALTH IS WEALTH

BY PRESIDENT GWENDELYN. V. SABSAL



## FAST FIVE QUIZ: ARE YOU PREPARED TO FACE THE OBESITY EPIDEMIC?

Obesity has become a global public health crisis, with the problem increasing in numerous nations. According to the World Health Organization (WHO), nearly 2 billion adults are overweight worldwide, while 650 million are considered obese. These statistics represent an obesity prevalence that has tripled since 1975. Furthermore, the WHO estimates that by 2025, approximately 167 million people (adults and children) will suffer health impacts because they are overweight or obese.

Do you know best practices to prevent and treat obesity? Test your knowledge with this quick quiz.

**1) According to the WHO, what body mass index (BMI) is the general cutoff point between overweight and obesity?**

- A. 20
- B. 24
- C. 28
- D. 30

**2) According to the WHO, which is the main factor contributing to the obesity epidemic?**

- A. Genetics
- B. Thyroid Disorders
- C. Sedentary Lifestyle
- D. Older age

**3) Which is considered a standard technique for measuring visceral fat?**

- A. Fluoroscopy
- B. PET
- C. MRI

**4) At which minimum BMI score do current guidelines endorse the use of weight loss medications in patients with no associated comorbidities?**

- A. >23
- B. >25
- C. >27
- D. > or = 30

**5) What should generally be the first treatment goal in individuals with obesity?**

- A. Increase the frequency of physical activity
- B. Adapt to a low carbohydrate diet
- C. Reduce comorbidity risk
- D. Stabilize body weight

Ans: D, C, C, D, D

Reference: Medscape. Romesh Khardori, MD, PhD December 06, 2023



# EVENTS

December 2

HOPE IS WHERE THE HEART OF CHRISTMAS:  
ROTARY CHRISTMAS FIESTA 2023





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December 2

HOPE IS WHERE THE HEART OF CHRISTMAS:  
ROTARY CHRISTMAS FIESTA 2023





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December 2

Our Rotary Christmas Fiesta reached a nationwide audience through DZRH





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December 16 - RCDD Christmas Party





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# INTERACT CORNER

by: President Shyra Khaye Napala



Club of Downtown Davao -  
Davao City National High School

## **Reflecting on the Rotary Christmas Fiesta 2023: "Hope is Where the Heart of Christmas"**

*By Shyra Khaye S. Napala*

In the spirit of unity, compassion, and the joyous season of giving, the Rotary Club of Downtown Davao, in collaboration with Rotaract Club Downtown Davao Poblacion and Interact Club of Downtown Davao-Davao City National High School, brought forth a heartwarming celebration at Bagani Hall, Camp Catitipan, Davao City on December 2, 2023.

With the theme "Hope is Where the Heart of Christmas," the Rotary Christmas Fiesta aimed to inspire the community with a sense of hope, especially during these challenging times. The event unfolded as a testament to the power of collective goodwill and the joy that comes from giving.

The heart of the event revolved around the children, as we gathered to play, share, and showcase our talents in a heartening display of unity and joy. Various activities were also organized, including games that elicited laughter and smiles from the young attendees. The children also showcased their talents through dancing, singing, and impromptu painting contests.

Reflecting on the Rotary Christmas Fiesta 2023, it becomes clear that the impact of such events extends far beyond the duration of the celebration. It plants seeds of hope that continue to blossom, reminding us that the heart of Christmas is not confined to a date on the calendar but resides in the enduring bonds we forge with our community.

To everyone who contributed to the success of this event, from the organizers to the volunteers, performers, and attendees, and to Rotary Club Of Downtown Davao, thank you for being the architects of hope. May the spirit of unity, joy, and hope ignited during this Rotary Christmas Fiesta continue to illuminate our hearts throughout the holiday season and well into the future.



# ROTARACT CORNER

by: President Princess Jenina Estrellanes



## Celebrating the Festive Season: Rotaract's Commitment to Spreading Joy and Making a Difference

By PADRR Kenneth Nomar A. Melliza

As the festive season of Christmas draws near, Rotaract clubs worldwide eagerly prepare to usher in joy and create a positive impact within their respective communities. The approach of Rotaract towards celebrating Christmas is distinct in its emphasis on kindness and altruistic endeavors.

The uniqueness of Rotaract's Christmas revelry lies in the orchestration of diverse projects aimed at aiding their communities. This could involve the procurement of presents for underprivileged children or the procurement of sustenance for families enduring hardships. Beyond eliciting happiness in others, such benevolent actions serve to fortify the camaraderie among Rotaract members.

Adhering to the ethos of "Service Above Self," Rotaract clubs also devise fundraising events during the yuletide season. These events may encompass convivial dinners, festive markets, or themed runs, with the proceeds channeled towards bolstering various local and international initiatives that strive to foster a better world.

A poignant tradition observed in many Rotaract clubs during Christmas is the adoption of families. This entails members furnishing gifts, essentials, and special repasts to families grappling with adversity. This tradition epitomizes the endeavor to ensure that everyone feels nurtured and interconnected, a testament to the inherent benevolence that pervades the hearts of Rotaract members.

Rotaractors comprehend that Christmas serves as an occasion to unite and revel in each other's company. Consequently, they organize gatherings and festivities, offering an opportunity to reflect on the year's accomplishments while nurturing enduring bonds and friendships.

Despite the geographic dispersion of Rotaract clubs, their focus transcends borders during Christmas. Collaborative efforts are often harnessed in global ventures aimed at ameliorating the plight of individuals worldwide. This may encompass bolstering healthcare initiatives, aiding communities, or engaging in cross-cultural exchanges of festive tidings. Through these global pursuits, Rotaract members espouse the notion that compassion knows no bounds.

Ultimately, the Rotaract approach to Christmas transcends customary traditions. It stands as a testament to their sense of compassion, their ability to spread joy, and their commitment to fostering connections within their communities and across the globe. Through these collective benevolent endeavors, Rotaract truly embodies the spirit of Christmas, illuminating the world and infusing it with warmth and felicity.



# RCDD BARKADAHAN RY 2023-2024

## Promising

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3. Corazon L. Costan
4. Jomar P. Dela Cerna
5. Archie Francisco F. Gamboa
6. Marianne Gamboa-Mosquisa
7. Belen D. Gemelo
8. Stephanie F. Palconit
9. Melch Rivera
10. Marina B. Ruivivar
11. Shiela Mae S. Toledo
12. Lorelei May Zambales

## Inspiring

Leader: Fely P. Lovitos

1. Xyza Abarca
2. Gloria O. Cabillas
3. Patrick Co
4. Andrea G. Dela Cerna
5. Cyril Duran
6. Joann Deno
7. Edna C. Ko
8. AJ Modiquello
9. Sylvia C. Navarro
10. Josie P. Ortiz
11. Maria Rea Lane L. Horfilla

## Motivating

Leader: Jason Digal

1. Martha Carlsen
2. Joan O. Gulanes
3. Liza Joy Hilario
4. Vilma U. Kho
5. Paul Ko
6. Chai Madrid
7. Florence Magistrado
8. Camille Sencio
9. Bolyn P. Puno
10. Patmei B. Ruivivar
11. Diane R. Janolino

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1996-1997	PP Estrella Luz B. Cabebe
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1998-1999	PP Linda C. Tesoro
1999-2000	PP Felina A. Javellana
2000-2001	PP Vilma U. Kho
2001-2002	PP Sylvia C. Navarro
2002-2003	PP Ma. Chona F. Caingles
2003-2004	PP Charisse P. Puentespina
2004-2005	PP Edna C. Ko
2005-2006	PP Agatha Ellen S. Valencia
2006-2007	PP Ma. Richelle B. Vicente
2007-2008	PP Eliza Joy S. Hilario

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2009-2010	PP Thelma S. Ciudadano
2010-2011	PP Cristeta G. Gallano
2011-2012	PP Enerie B. Aquino
2012-2013	PP Lagrimas T. Acero
2013-2014	PP Marie Josephine B. De Vera
2014-2015	PP Ruth Theresa G. Castellones
2015-2016	PP Marilyn P. Puno
2016-2017	PP Rozanne C. Gamboa
2017-2018	PP Angelita M. Ang
2018-2019	PP Josefa P. Ortiz
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2020-2021	PP Myla C. Agustin
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**Darence Patrick "Patrick" Co**  
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**Andrea Isabel "Andrea" Concepcion**  
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**Corazon "Cora" L. Costan**  
Banking and Fruit Farming



**Andrea "Andeng" G. Dela Cerna**  
Law Enforcement/Operations



**Jomar "Jhong" P. Dela Cerna**  
Law Enforcement/Investigation



**Princess Joann "Joan" V. Deño**  
Construction



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Legal Service



**Rozanne "Twinkle" C. Gamboa**  
Lending Industry



**Belen "Belen" D. Gemelo**  
BDG Industrial Sales & Services



**Joan "Joan" O. Gulanes**  
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# MEMBERSHIP ROSTER

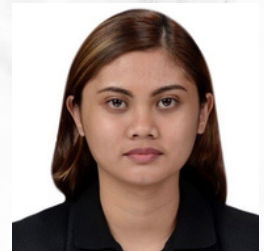
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# RCDD'S PROFILE and HISTORICAL HIGHLIGHTS

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The commitment to the Rotary motto, SERVICE ABOVE SELF became a way of life for every Downtowner as their continuing programs and humanitarian projects on the seven (7) Areas of Focus, serve those who have less in life so they too can enjoy a world that Rotary dreams of.

RCDD prides itself to be consistent in its outstanding performance as a service club working towards excellence without counting the cost. There were challenges along the way especially on financial resources and personal relationships. But undaunted, RCDD survives.

RCDD has been blazing the trail and raising the bar for Rotary clubs in District 3860 since its charter year, receiving awards and recognitions year after year. Its first landmark achievement was when it won its first "Most Outstanding Club and President" awards, in RY 1995-1996, topping all 83 clubs in the district. The most shining moment for the Downtowners was when the club's Centennial Dream Team in RY 1998-1999 won grand slam all the four major district awards: Most Outstanding Club, President, Secretary and Club Bulletin (The Professionals), besting 93 clubs in the district. It was considered as the club's glorious historic feat.

In RY 2011-2012, RCDD was recognized as a 100% Paul Harris Fellow Club. For the past years and to the present, the club keeps its place on the top five list in contributions to the Rotary Foundation.

RCDD maintains its flagship projects at its Center for Hope, serving Barangays Agdao Centro and Vicente Duterte in Agdao District, Davao City. The service projects address the community's needs for medical and dental healthcare, children's welfare and development, livelihood skills training, maternal and child healthcare. It's partners-in-service are its sponsored Rotary Community Corps (RCC), the City Health Office (CHO), the City Social Service & Development (CSSDO), the Philippine National Police PRO XI, and other civic and non-government organizations.

There is no turning back for RCDD. It has to forge on and get better and better each year in its service to humanity. RCDD gets its inspiration and motivation from the happy smiles and grateful response of the people it serves, much worthy than the awards received.



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Chartered on February 23, 1993, as an all-women service club, by then RI President Robert R. Batch. The charter year was one great celebration as the whole Rotary world was then celebrating the 88th Foundation Anniversary of the Rotary International. RCDD became the 29,258th Rotary club worldwide and the 79th club in District 3860.

On its 26th year in RY 2018-2019, RCDD marked another historical milestone when it inducted two distinguished gentlemen to the club membership, Paulino B. Ko, a successful businessman, and Archie Francisco F. Gamboa, a high-ranking Police General, who then became the Chief of the Philippine National Police, and RCDD's first male club President. This turned RCDD into a mixed club from an all-women club to manifest Diversity, Equity and Inclusiveness (DEI).

This RY 2023-2024 RCDD starts its 31st year of service and fellowship with 37 men and women of various professions, leaders of their own fields of specialization. RCDD's Roster of Membership is a balance of the senior-aged group, middle-aged and the young generation. This year marks another milestone as its very own Past President Rozanne "Twinkle" C. Gamboa is installed as District Governor, the second from the club. The first was the club's Charter President, Evelyn "Len" A. Magno.

The Rotary Club of Downtown Davao (RCDD) will continue to persevere in God's Grace and guidance, serving and touching other people's lives to **CREATE HOPE IN THE WORLD.**

