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# Welcome Message

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***PAG Maria Theresa M. Salisi, Charter President***

"Rotary is where helping others becomes a way of life, and every hand makes the world brighter."

Rotary is more than just a group—it's a community where helping others is a way of life and kindness is a shared mission.

In Rotary Midtown Butuan, every hand, big or small, adds light to someone's life. Together, we work side by side to make our community and the world a brighter, better place for all.

## **Welcome to the Rotary Club of Midtown Butuan!**

We are so happy you are here! Rotary is more than just a club—it's a family of caring, committed people who work together to make our community and the world a better place.

Since our start in 2010, the Rotary Club of Midtown Butuan has been helping others through projects in education, health, the environment, and community development. We believe that even small acts of kindness can create big changes.

When you join us, you don't just attend meetings—you become part of something bigger. You'll meet people who share your passion for helping others, learn new skills, grow as a leader, and be part of meaningful projects that truly change lives.

Here, you can use your talents to serve, your ideas to inspire, and your hands to make a difference. Together, we turn compassion into action.

Welcome to our Rotary family. Let's work side by side to create hope, bring smiles, and make the world brighter—starting right here in Midtown Butuan!





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# About Rotary

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Welcome To Rotary



Get  
Involved

*Become one of Rotary's people of action and explore opportunities to improve communities near and far.*

# Our History

**23 Feb 1905**

Rotary started with the vision of one man — Paul Harris. The Chicago attorney formed the Rotary Club of Chicago on 23 February 1905, so professionals with diverse backgrounds could exchange ideas and form meaningful, lifelong friendships.

Over time, Rotary's reach and vision gradually extended to humanitarian service. Members have a long track record of addressing challenges in their communities and around the world.



## Our ongoing commitment

That commitment endures today through an organization that remains truly international. Only 16 years after being founded, Rotary had clubs on six continents. Our members now span the globe, working to solve some of our world's most challenging problems.

We're not afraid to dream big and set bold goals. We began our fight against polio in 1979 with a project to immunize 6 million children in the Philippines. Today, polio remains endemic in only two countries — down from 125 in 1988.

### Rotary's Timeline

**Our 1.4 million members join community leaders, friends, and partners in a global network that is addressing challenges around the world.**





# Vision Mission

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## Our mission

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

## Vision statement

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

## We work differently

We see differently: Our multidisciplinary perspective helps us see challenges in unique ways.

We think differently: We apply leadership and expertise to social issues — and find unique solutions.

We act responsibly: Our passion and perseverance create lasting change. We make a difference at home and around the world: Our members can be found in your community and across the globe.

## Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion

As a global network that strives to build a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change, Rotary values diversity and celebrates the contributions of people of all backgrounds, regardless of their age, ethnicity, race, color, abilities, religion, socioeconomic status, culture, sex, sexual orientation, and gender identity.

# Rotary's Motto

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## Service Above Self

is a core principle emphasizing selfless service and prioritizing the needs of others, both locally and globally, over personal interests. It embodies the spirit of volunteerism and working towards the greater good of the community and the world.

### **Prioritizing others:**

The motto encourages Rotarians to think beyond themselves and consider how their actions can benefit others, fostering a sense of empathy and social responsibility.

### **Unselfish volunteer service:**

"Service Above Self" highlights the importance of dedicating time and effort to help others without expecting anything in return.

### **Community and global impact:**

Rotary projects, guided by this principle, aim to address various needs, from local community development to global issues like poverty, disease, and education.

### **Beyond individual gain:**

The motto encourages a shift in mindset from focusing on personal success to contributing to a shared purpose and collective well-being.

### **Inspiration for action:**

"Service Above Self" serves as a constant reminder for Rotarians to embody the spirit of giving back and making a positive difference in the lives of others.

# The Guiding Principles



These principles have been developed over the years to provide Rotarians with a strong, common purpose and direction. They serve as a foundation for our relationships with each other and the action we take in the world.

## 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.

## The Four-Way Test

The Four-Way Test is a nonpartisan and nonsectarian ethical guide for Rotarians to use for their personal and professional relationships.:

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** and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
4. Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?



# What is Rotary

Rotary International is an international service organization whose stated human rights purpose is to bring together business and professional leaders in order to provide humanitarian services, encourage high ethical standards in all vocations, and to advance goodwill and peace around the world. It is a secular organization open to all people regardless of race, color, creed, religion, gender, or political preference. There are 34,282 member clubs worldwide. 1.2 million individuals called Rotarians have joined these clubs.

Rotarians usually gather weekly for breakfast, lunch, or dinner to fulfill their first guiding principle to develop friendships as an opportunity for service. "It is the duty of all Rotarians," states their Manual of Procedure "outside their clubs, to be active as individuals in as many legally constituted groups and organizations as possible to promote, not only in words but through exemplary dedication, awareness of the dignity of all people and the respect of the consequent human rights of the individual." The Rotarian's primary motto is "Service Above Self"; its secondary motto is "One profits most who serves best."



# The Rotary Code of Conduct

As a Rotarian, I will:

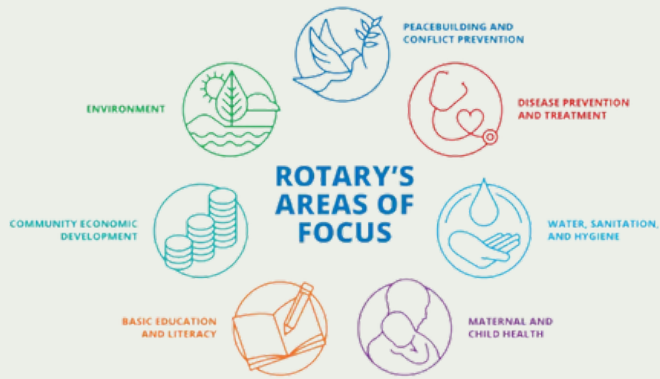
1. Act with integrity and high ethical standards in my personal and professional life
2. Deal fairly with others and treat them and their occupations with respect
3. Use my professional skills through Rotary to mentor young people, help those with special needs, and improve people's quality of life in my community and in the world
4. Avoid behavior that reflects adversely on Rotary or other Rotarians
5. Help maintain a harassment-free environment in Rotary meetings, events, and activities; report any suspected harassment; and help ensure non-retaliation to those individuals that report harassment.

We channel our commitment to service at home and abroad through five Avenues of Service, which are the foundation of club activity.

- **Club Service** focuses on making clubs strong. A thriving club is anchored by strong relationships and an active membership development plan.
- **Vocational Service** calls on every Rotarian to work with integrity and contribute their expertise to the problems and needs of society. Learn more in *An Introduction to Vocational Service and the Code of Conduct*.
- **Community Service** encourages every Rotarian to find ways to improve the quality of life for people in their communities and to serve the public interest. Learn more in *Communities in Action: A Guide to Effective Projects*.
- **International Service** exemplifies our global reach in promoting peace and understanding. We support this service avenue by sponsoring or volunteering on international projects, seeking partners abroad, and more.
- **Youth Service** recognizes the importance of empowering youth and young professionals through leadership development programs such as Interact, Rotary Youth Leadership Awards, and Rotary Youth Exchange.



# Avenues of Service



### **Promoting Peace:**

Rotary encourages conversations and projects that foster understanding and address the root causes of conflict, such as poverty and lack of education.

### **Fighting Disease:**

Rotary is a founding partner of the Global Polio Eradication Initiative and works to prevent and treat diseases, believing that access to healthcare is a right.

### **Providing Clean Water:**

Rotary provides access to clean water, sanitation, and hygiene, recognizing their importance for health and well-being.

### **Saving Mothers and Children:**

Rotary aims to reduce preventable deaths of mothers and children by improving access to quality healthcare and resources.

### **Supporting Education:**

Rotary invests in education programs, believing that literacy and learning empower individuals and communities.

### **Growing Local Economies:**

Rotary supports initiatives that strengthen local economies and promote sustainable development.

### **Protecting the Environment:**

Rotary focuses on protecting natural resources, promoting sustainable practices, and addressing climate change.

These causes are interconnected and reflect Rotary's commitment to creating a better world through service and collaboration.



Rotary International focuses on seven areas of focus to achieve its mission of creating lasting change.

# Our Causes

# *The* Rotary Action Plan

Rotary's Action Plan focuses on four key priorities: increasing impact, expanding reach, enhancing participant engagement, and increasing the ability to adapt. These priorities serve as a framework for Rotary's strategic direction, guiding the organization's efforts to create lasting change in communities worldwide.

## INCREASE OUR IMPACT

- This priority emphasizes the importance of Rotary's service projects and their effectiveness in creating positive change.
- It involves strengthening the practices, infrastructure, and capacity to define, measure, track, and analyze data from service projects.
- The goal is to ensure that Rotary's efforts are making a tangible difference in addressing critical global challenges.

## EXPAND OUR REACH

- This priority focuses on expanding Rotary's reach to new audiences and communities.
- It involves sharing Rotary's values with diverse groups and creating new ways for people to engage with the organization.
- The aim is to broaden Rotary's impact by involving more people in its mission of service.

## ENHANCE PARTICIPANT ENGAGEMENT

- This priority is about creating meaningful and fulfilling experiences for all those who participate in Rotary.
- It involves fostering strong relationships, providing valuable opportunities, and demonstrating the benefits of Rotary membership.
- The goal is to ensure that participants feel connected, engaged, and inspired to contribute to Rotary's mission.

## INCREASE OUR ABILITY TO ADAPT

- This priority highlights the importance of innovation and continuous improvement within Rotary.
- It involves embracing new perspectives, fostering a culture of research and risk-taking, and adapting to changing needs.
- The aim is to ensure that Rotary remains relevant, effective, and responsive to the challenges of the future.

By focusing on these four priorities, Rotary aims to strengthen its organization, enhance its impact, and create lasting change in communities around the world.

# 5 REASONS WHY WE MUST ERADICATE POLIO

## 1 YOUR GIFT WILL IMPROVE LIVES.

Today, 20 million people who would otherwise be paralyzed by polio are walking, and 1.5 million people who would otherwise have died are alive.

## 2 YOUR GIFT WILL INVEST IN THE FUTURE.

If all eradication efforts stopped today, within 10 years, polio could paralyze as many as 200,000 children each year. A polio-free world will be a healthier world for children everywhere.

## 3 YOUR GIFT WILL IMPROVE CHILD HEALTH.

Polio surveillance networks and vaccination campaigns also monitor children for other health problems, like vitamin deficiency and measles, so we can address them sooner.

## 4 YOUR GIFT WILL LOWER HEALTH CARE COSTS.

The global effort to eradicate polio has already saved more than US\$27 billion in health care costs since 1988, and expects to save US\$14 billion more by 2050.

## 5 YOUR GIFT WILL MAKE HISTORY.

Polio eradication will be one of history's greatest public health achievements, with polio following smallpox to become only the second human disease eradicated from the world.



### MAKE A DONATION

Every donation helps us get the vaccines, transport, and materials that are needed for the fight against polio.



At the end of the 1980s, more than 350,000 children were paralyzed by polio every year. Today, Rotary and its partners have reduced the incidence of polio by 99.9%. However, until we see the last of the poliovirus, eradication efforts need additional funding to:

### IMMUNIZE

more than 400 million children against polio every year

### IMPROVE

disease surveillance systems to detect any poliovirus in a person or the environment

### HIRE

more than 150,000 health workers to go door to door to find every child

**Donate now at [endpolio.org](https://endpolio.org)**



# The Rotary Foundation

**transforms your gifts into service projects that change lives both close to home and around the world.**

Since it was founded more than 100 years ago, the Foundation has spent more than \$4 billion on life-changing, sustainable projects.

With your help, we can make lives better in your community and around the world.

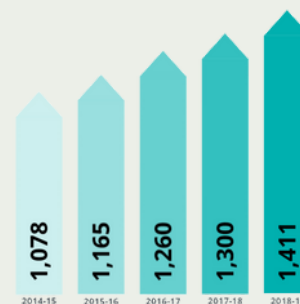
## Our mission

The Rotary Foundation helps Rotary members to advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace by improving health, providing quality education, improving the environment, and alleviating poverty.

### What impact can one donation have?

- For as little as 60 cents, a child can be protected from polio.
- \$50 can provide clean water to help fight waterborne illness.
- \$500 can launch an antibullying campaign and create a safe environment for children.

Global grants approved



## Five years of global grants by area of focus

Area of focus	Total funding
Basic education and literacy	\$53,261,360
Community economic development	\$54,118,305
Disease prevention and treatment	\$151,761,859
Maternal and child health	\$35,233,163
Peacebuilding and conflict prevention	\$18,659,168
Water, sanitation, and hygiene	\$100,657,464



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# About **Midtown Butuan**

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**Join. Serve. Transform.**



# History of The Rotary Club of Midtown Butuan

***"The more clubs you organize, the more projects you bring to life."***

These inspiring words from Past District Governor Tony Veneracion (RY 2009–2010) sparked a vision that would soon reshape Rotary service in Butuan City.

At the time, the Rotary Club of Downtown Butuan was thriving with a rapidly growing membership. Recognizing the potential for even greater impact, Past Assistant Governor Maria Theresa M. Salise, together with then President-Elect Merceditha P. Pocalan, took a bold step—spearheading the formation of a new chapter. This vision gave birth to what would become the Rotary Club of Midtown Butuan (RCMB).

Named in honor of its Sister Club, the Rotary Club of Midtown Cubao, RC Midtown Butuan was officially chartered on November 1, 2010 by PAG Maria Theresa M. Salise, with 32 dynamic charter members. These professionals—drawn from diverse fields such as law, finance, education, healthcare, government, business, and engineering—were united by a shared commitment to Rotary's timeless motto: "Service Above Self." From day one, they built a strong foundation of purposeful action and collaborative spirit.

## **Growth and Recognition**

Fourteen years later, RC Midtown Butuan has grown into a 4-Star Club and proudly holds the distinction of being a 100% Paul Harris Fellow Club, underscoring its unwavering support for the Rotary Foundation and its dedication to the core values of Rotary International.

Through the years, the club has earned numerous awards and citations from District 3860 and Rotary International, a testament to its consistent excellence in service and leadership.

## **Service that Transforms Communities**

Guided by Rotary's 7 Areas of Focus—

- Peace and Conflict Resolution, Disease Prevention and Treatment, Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene, Maternal and Child Health, Basic Education and Literacy, Economic and Community Development, Environmental Sustainability

RCMB has brought to life countless high-impact projects. These initiatives have not only addressed urgent community needs but have also empowered individuals, strengthened institutions, and created long-term positive change.

## **Looking Ahead**

As it moves forward, the Rotary Club of Midtown Butuan remains steadfast in its mission: to create lasting change in our communities and across the globe. With a solid foundation, professional excellence, and an unshakable heart for service, RCMB continues to be a beacon of hope, action, and meaningful transformation—truly living up to the spirit of Rotary.

# Rotary Club of Midtown Butuan

## Develops Leaders

### Roles: District 3860



Maria Theresa M. Salise  
Past Assistant Governor  
R. Y. 2015-2017



Elizabeth Marie R. Calo  
Past Assistant Governor  
R.Y. 2018-2019



Teresita Muriel C. Si  
Past Assistant Governor  
R.Y. 2020-2021



PAG Teresita Muriel C. Si  
District New Generations  
Service Exchange Chair  
( RY 2022-2024 )

District Maternal & Child  
Health  
( RY 2025-2026 )

Disaster Management Inc.  
Representative for Area 3  
( RY 2024-2026 )



PP Rosalyn N. Cortel  
PETS/SETS Training Leader  
( RY 2024-2025 )

New Generation Service  
Chair  
( RY 2024-2025 )

GML Editorial Contributor for  
Area 3  
( RY 2025-2026 )

The Rotary Club of Midtown Butuan has molded leaders who continue to shine beyond the club. Today, three of them serve as Assistant Governors and others hold key positions—proving that their leadership and commitment only grow stronger through the years. Their journey reflects the true spirit of Rotary: leading with purpose, serving with heart, and expanding the impact of Service Above Self.

# Council of Past Presidents



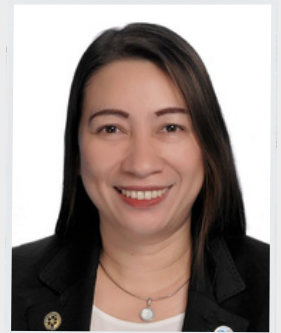
PP Maria Theresa M. Salise  
R.Y. 2024-2025



PP Jennifer Marie C. Alaba  
R.Y. 2023 - 2024



PP Dick Victor B. Carmona  
R.Y. 2022 - 2023



PP Rosalyn N. Cortel  
R.Y. 2021 - 2022



PP Inphil C. Gilbuena  
R.Y. 2020 - 2021



+Luzminda T. Sadakata  
R.Y. 2019 - 2020



PP Teresita Muriel C. Si  
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PP Ma. Luisa Hannah Dionen  
R.Y. 2017 - 2018



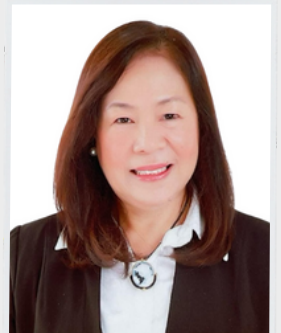
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R.Y. 2016 - 2017



PP Virgilita C. Hechanova  
R.Y. 2015 - 2016



PP Romeo M. Catalan  
R.Y. 2014 - 2015



PP Grace Y. Gaborno  
R.Y. 2013 - 2014



PP Leandro Bal  
R.Y. 2012 - 2013



PP Merceditha P. Pocular  
R.Y. 2011 - 2012



PP Maria Theresa M. Salise  
R.Y. 2010 - 2011

*"Past President's  
service never  
ends—it  
continues to  
guide and inspire  
the club beyond  
their term."*



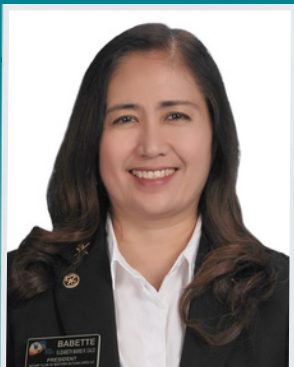
Jennifer Marie C. Alaba  
Member # 11229783



Evangeline A. Alegado  
Member # 9608385



Jralley Vencent Q. Cabuga  
Member # 12120028



Elizabeth Marie R. Calo  
Member # 3270004



Liza B. Carlobos  
Member # 8403194



Ellen Vee Chua  
Member # 12075636



Rosalyn N. Cortel  
Member # 8129630



Rizalina P. dela Peña  
Member # 8218177



Divina C. Domingo  
Member # 11959503



Rtn. Kio Russell Escalona  
Member # 12075639



PP Grace Y. Gaborno  
Member # 8218132



PP Virgilita C. Hechanova  
Member # 8798561



Myra Joseal C. Moreno  
Member # 11255676



Edward Earl D. Orozco  
Member # 8218169



Mikhail Angilo G. Paloma  
Member # 12210368



Rhodora I. Radaza  
Member # 11674648



Maria Theresa M. Salise  
Member # 6900140



Teresita Muriel C. Si  
Member # 9496323



Marilyn V. Villadolid  
Member # 10314500



Marissa B. Yee  
Member # 12093040



Rudy L. Ranoco  
Honorary Member



Marvie Viola  
Honorary Member

*"Our members are the backbone of the club—through teamwork and shared dedication, every achievement becomes possible."*

# Club Officers for RY 2025-2026



Myra Joseal C. Moreno  
Club President  
RY 2025-2026



Marissa B. Yee  
President Elect  
RY 2026 - 2027



Jralley Vencent Q. Cabuga  
President Nominee  
RY 2027 - 2028



Rizalina P. dela Peña  
President Nominee Designate  
RY 2028-2029



Edward Earl D. Orozco  
Club Vice President



Marissa B. Yee  
Club Secretary



Rhodora I. Radaza  
Club Executive Secretary



Liza B. Carlobos  
Club Treasurer



Marilyn V. Villadolid  
Club Auditor



Mikhail Angilo G. Paloma  
Club PIO

# Club Officers for RY 2025-2026



Divina C. Domingo  
Club Sgt. at Arms



Jralley Vencent Q. Cabuga  
Club Administration



Grace Y. Gaborno  
Club Membership



Teresita Muriel C. Si  
Club Public Image



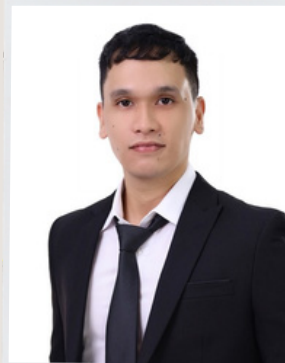
Rosalyn N. Cortel  
Club Learning Facilitator



Elizabeth Marie R. Calo  
The Rotary Foundation



Jennifer Marie C. Alaba  
Club Service Project



Kio Russell Escalona  
Club Young Leaders

Through the years, the members of the Rotary Club of Midtown Butuan have remained steadfast in their support, always lifting the club to the highest level. Each member plays a vital role in maintaining and sustaining the spirit of service, ensuring that the goals of Rotary International and District 3860 are met with excellence. Their collective dedication and teamwork continue to be the driving force that keeps the club strong, vibrant, and true to the mission of "Service Above Self."

*"The steadfast members of the Rotary Club of Midtown Butuan are the driving force that keeps the club strong, vibrant, and true to Service Above Self."*

# Rotary believes in raising the next generation of leaders.

Through our programs, young people learn important leadership skills, gain knowledge, and discover the true value of serving others.

The Rotary Club of Midtown Butuan proudly supports youth through its Interact Club – Community Based and two Rotaract Clubs: Midtown Butuan Community Based and School Based – CSU Chapter. Together, we guide and inspire future leaders who will continue to create positive change in our communities and beyond.





**JHON PAUL G. GUERGIO**  
President



**CARLOS MIGUEL A. MARFORI**  
Vice President



**JESSA MAE S. BESING**  
Club Secretary



**LEXI GIANNE S. ALCOS**  
Treasurer



**LOVELY G. AYA-AY**  
Auditor

The Rotaract Club of Midtown Butuan – Community Based, and the Rotaract Club of Midtown Butuan – School Based (CSU Chapter) play a vital role in the Rotary Club of Midtown Butuan. They are our young leaders, guided and nurtured to become future leaders and Rotarians of the next generation.

Through their active involvement in our projects—such as community outreach programs, literacy and education initiatives, environmental activities, and various service projects—they have already made a significant impact. Their passion, energy, and creativity bring fresh ideas that strengthen our mission and expand our reach.

Come and be part of their journey as they serve the community, create lasting change, and enjoy the spirit of fellowship.



**DR. JAYMER M. JAYOMA**  
ADVISER  
Rotaract Club of Midtown Butuan  
School Based – CSU Chapter



**JOUARD KARL O. QUERODA**  
President



**LEOGENE MILES C. GUMAPAC**  
Vice President



**ALEXANDRA M. ACEJO**  
Club Secretary



**MIKHAELA GEORGE C. IWAY**  
Club Treasurer



**JONAR YLANAN**  
Rotary Foundation Chair



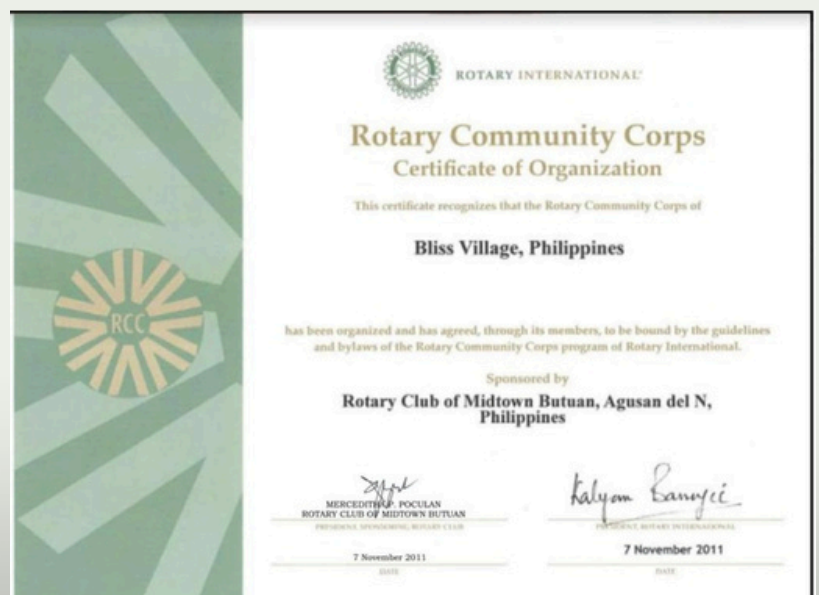
**ARTHUR JOHN ABAD ATUP**  
Rotary Membership Chair



**SHERWIN LLOYD C. ACOG**  
Public Image Chair

# A Rotary Community Corps (RCC) is a group of non-Rotarians who share our commitment to changing the world through service projects.

RCC members plan and carry out projects in their communities in collaboration with local Rotary clubs. Sponsored by a Rotary club, an RCC leverages Rotary's network, brand, and mentorship by partnering with clubs to plan and implement service projects. RCCs increase Rotary's impact and expand its reach by bringing the knowledge and talents of local people to strengthen their community through sustainable projects.



# Signature Project of the Rotary Club of Midtown Butuan

## Project Profile

### Your Gift of Reading, My Learning "Libro nga Gasa Mo, Kinaadman Ko"

- Founded: July 2021
- Founder: Past President Rosalyn N. Cortel
- Focus Area: Basic Education and Literacy (Rotary International 7 Areas of Focus)
- Signature Project of: Rotary Club of Midtown Butuan

### Impact (to date):

- 📖 3,221 books donated
- 🏫 14 public schools served (Butuan City & Agusan del Norte)
- 💰 ₱2,164,750.00 total value of educational resources

### Highlight Donations:

- Part 6 (Apr 30, 2022): 404 textbooks for Grades 7–10, worth ₱235,050 – Maguinda NHS
- Part 12 (Nov 16, 2024): 395 books worth ₱276,500 – San Juan ES
- Parts 13 & 14 (2025): 180 books each worth ₱126,000 – Tagpulang ES & Imelda Mar ES

### Purpose & Significance:

- Promotes literacy and love of learning among children.
- Provides schools with updated and relevant textbooks.
- Alleviates educational expenses of families and schools (over ₱2.1M saved).
- Builds a legacy of service, touching lives through the power of books.



*The project was founded in July 2021 by Past President Rosalyn N. Cortel, and that marked its first launching/rollout.*

*Since then, it has been carried out in multiple parts (Part 1, 2, 3 ... up to Part 14 in 2025).*



*Each part represents not only the continuation of a vision but also the growing commitment of the Rotary Club of Midtown Butuan to promote literacy. What began as a small act of gathering books has now become a legacy project touching thousands of young learners.*

# Building Dreams, Serving Others: The Story of Edward Earl Orozco



**Edward Earl D. Orozco**

BUSINESS OWNER

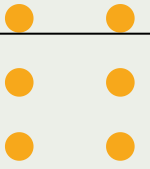
## **Rotary Comeback Story**

Edward Earl D. Orozco is not only a successful business owner but also a man with a deep passion for service.

He was once a Charter Member of Rotary, but due to his busy schedule, he had to step back to focus on his career and studies.

Edward Earl Orozco was born into a family built on love, discipline, and service. His father, Eduardo Orozco, a retired Philippine Army officer, taught him the values of courage and dedication, while his mother, Merlene D. Orozco, a Municipal Budget Officer at Municipality of Esperanza, showed him the importance of responsibility and compassion. Together, they raised Earl and his siblings, Elmer Jay D. Orozco (a BSIT graduate) and Elaine D. Orozco (a BSHM graduate), with strong values that became the foundation of his life.

Growing up, Earl dreamed big. Even at a young age, he already believed that hard work and determination could open doors to opportunities. This dream led him to pursue a degree in Nursing, and in 2010, he proudly graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Nursing.



Yet, service was always in his heart. In August 2024, Edward made a meaningful return to Rotary—stronger, wiser, and more committed than ever to live out the spirit of “Service Above Self.”

His comeback is a reminder that once a Rotarian, always a Rotarian. Service may pause for a while, but true passion always finds its way back.

But like many young professionals, Earl’s journey did not start easy. Before becoming the man he is today, he experienced many different jobs that shaped his character. He once served as a volunteer nurse in the Province of Agusan del Norte, worked as a customer service representative at Sykes Asia Cebu City handling Dental Guardian Insurance, became a sales associate at Globe Telecom Butuan, managed a store at Express Stationary Shop Inc., worked as a business development officer at Asia Brewery Inc., and later became the territory manager of Caraga Region 13 for Lifeline Diagnostics Supplies Inc. Each of these roles, though different from one another, taught him valuable lessons about service, leadership, humility, and perseverance. These experiences became stepping stones that prepared him for something greater.

On July 17, 2017, at the age of 27, Earl took a leap of faith and founded Aerotech Bioline and General Merchandise—a company that would grow into a trusted distributor of In-Vitro Clinical Diagnostics equipment and supplies, as well as medical equipment and supplies. From humble beginnings, he worked tirelessly, and through his determination, the business flourished. Today, after 8 years of operation, he stands as its proud Operations Manager and Owner.



Behind his success is the unwavering support of his loving wife, Claudine Faith S. Suson, a Registered Nurse, Batch 2012 of Father Saturnino Urios University. Claudine has been not only his partner in life but also his partner in business—helping him face challenges, celebrate victories, and build the life they once only dreamed of. Together, they are blessed with two wonderful children: Nathalie Flor Amanda S. Orozco, a bright 10-year-old studying at Timber City Academy, and Ezekiel Leo S. Orozco, their playful 3-year-old who is also enrolled in the same school.



But Earl's story is not only about building a career and raising a family. It is also about living a life of service. He was one of the Charter Members of the Rotary Club of Midtown Butuan, where he first discovered his passion for helping others. However, because of his busy schedule and the demands of building his career and pursuing further studies, he had to step away from the organization. Still, his heart never left the spirit of service. And so, in August 2024, with his business stable and his passion for service stronger than ever, Earl proudly returned to Rotary—proving that true service can never be forgotten.

Now at 35 years old, Earl Orozco stands as an inspiration to many. From being a simple volunteer nurse to becoming a successful entrepreneur, from pausing his service to finding his way back, his journey teaches us that success is not measured by how fast we reach our dreams, but by how faithfully we continue to walk the path of perseverance, service, and faith.

His ambition in life is simple yet powerful: to serve God, his family, his community, and his country through his profession, his business, and his heart for service. And that is why Earl's story is not just his own—it is a story that motivates us all to never give up, to always dream bigger, and to use our talents to make the world a better place.



Edward lives by a simple yet powerful quote:  
*“Being kind is better than being right.  
Everyone can be right, but not everyone  
is willing to be kind.”*

# AUGUST BIRTHDAY CELEBRANTS



Double the joy, double the celebration!

Happy Birthday to our amazing President-Elect Marissa B. Yee and our dedicated Rotarian Marilyn V. Villadolid! Your Rotary Midtown Butuan family wishes you both happiness, good health, and endless blessings. Enjoy your special day!



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That's what District trainings are all about! Don't miss this opportunity! Be a part of it!

## Training & Events


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# VIBRANT CLUB SEMINAR 2025 MINDANAO

SEPTEMBER 6, 2025 | ACACIA HOTEL, LANANG, DAVAO CITY

**REGISTRATION RATES:**  
August 1-23, 2025 Php 2,800  
August 24-31, 2025 Php 3,000  
Rotaractor Php 2,000

**PAYMENT DETAILS:**  
GCASH: EARLIZ CLAIRE UYKING NUMBER: 09178491500  
Bank Name: RCBC  
Account Name: RCCENTRAL DAVAO INC.  
Account Number: 759-058-6786

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# VIBRANT CLUB SEMINAR 2025 VISAYAS

SEPTEMBER 13, 2025 | MONTEBELLO GARDEN HOTEL, CEBU

**REGISTRATION FEE:**  
SPECIAL (until August 23) Php 2,800  
REGULAR (until August 24-31) Php 3,000  
WALK-IN RATE (September 1 forward) Php 3,500  
ROTARACTOR Php 2,000

**PAYMENT DETAILS:**  
GCASH - M\*V\* Alcantara 09178340386  
BANK - SECURITY BANK JUANLUNA BRANCH  
Account Name: RC BANILAD METRO, INC.  
AccountNo: 0000-3107-3162

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## Save the Date

# THE ROTARY FOUNDATION RECOGNITION NIGHT

NOVEMBER 08, 2025 | 5PM  
SUMMIT GALLERIA CEBU, BALLROOM, CEBU CITY  
HOSTED BY: ROTARY CLUB OF CEBU PORT CENTRE

We will keep you posted for details.

In Rotary, District events and trainings are more than just gatherings — they are opportunities to learn, grow, and lead.

Members gain knowledge in leadership, service, teamwork, and Rotary's mission, helping each one become a stronger leader and changemaker in the community.

***Together, let's grow as Rotarians and make a bigger difference in our community and beyond!***

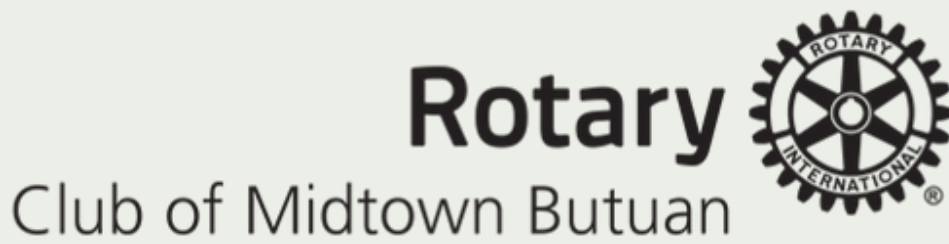
# ROTARY INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION

**TAIPEI, TAIWAN | 13-17 JUNE 2026**



**#Rotary26**

Make new connections and create unforgettable memories at the 2026 Rotary International Convention in Taipei City, where traditional and contemporary culture intertwine beautifully.




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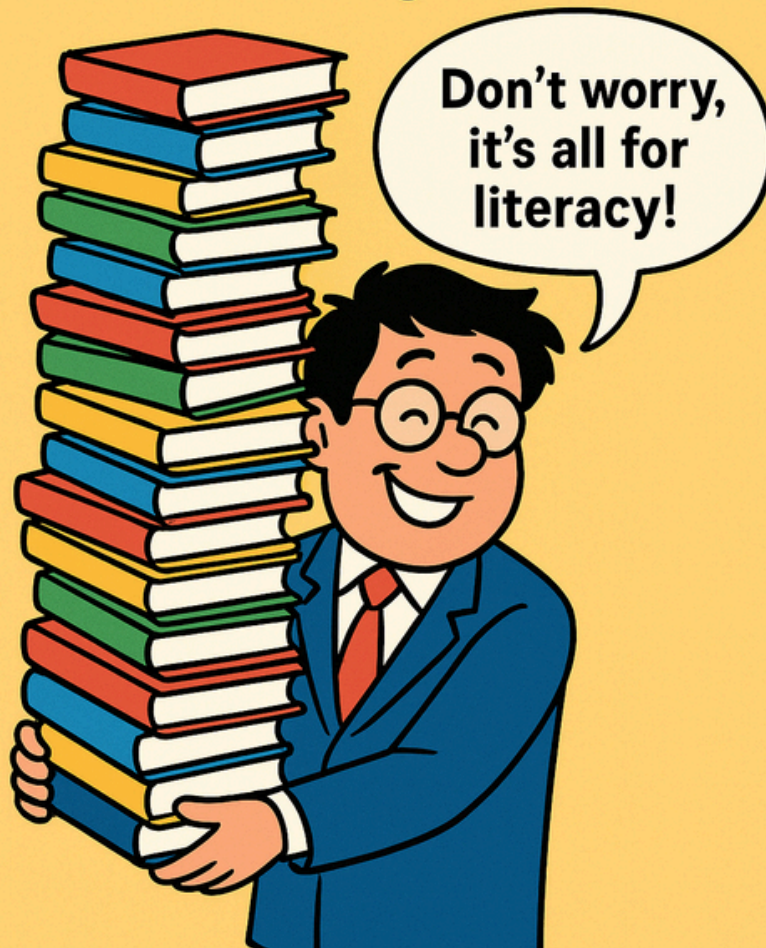
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 Meeting Schedule: Every 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of the month  
Embassy Hotel, Montilla Blvd., Butuan City



# ROTARY LAUGH CORNER

Because service with a  
smile lasts longer!



*"Through every book shared, we  
shape futures, nurture learning,  
and build opportunities."*