



Application # \_\_\_\_\_

## Membership Application

Organized in 1914, the Rotary Club of San Jose is the community's most active and well known service organization. During the past 100 years, Members of the Rotary Club of San Jose have volunteered more than 3,000,000 hours for community and international service. From installing the first city street lights in 1915 to donating \$1,000,000 towards a meeting facility for community groups in 2003, San Jose Rotary has been at the forefront of efforts to build the infrastructure and social fabric of our community. In addition to being a major contributor to many important community projects, San Jose Rotary has also given more than \$3,000,000 in direct grants to over 150 other community organizations. Rotary continues to grow the Endowment that supports these community programs.

As part of a global organization with over 1,200,000 members in more than 200 countries, San Jose Rotary has several committees dedicated to international service. We have provided more than 40 "Gift of Life" heart operations to young adults from developing countries, sent ambulances, mammogram machines and wheelchairs to international recipients, and contributed over \$300,000 to Rotary's efforts to eradicate polio.

Most importantly, more than 3,000 business and community leaders have shared the fun and fellowship of being Members of the Rotary Club of San Jose while upholding the ideals of humanitarian service, high ethical standards, and the promotion of goodwill.

**Approval Process** - The Rotary Club of San Jose seeks members of good character with a record of leadership and service to the community. Candidates for membership must exemplify Rotary's motto of "Service above Self". The approval process may take several weeks to accomplish the background check and Board action.

### ***Personal Information (to be completed by applicant)***

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse/Partner (Optional) \_\_\_\_\_

### ***Employment Information (to be completed by applicant)***

Employer \_\_\_\_\_ Years \_\_\_\_\_

Type of Organization \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

email \_\_\_\_\_ FAX \_\_\_\_\_

Position/title \_\_\_\_\_ Years in position \_\_\_\_\_

Contact to verify employment \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

**References (attachment acceptable if complete)**

3 Community Activities, 3 Professional Activities and 2 Character References

<u>Activity</u>	<u>Reference Name</u>	<u>Reference Business Phone</u>
1.		
2.		
3.		
4.		
5.		
6.		
7.		
8.		

**Orientation, Introduction, Mentors, Red Badge Committee, Committee Participation and Attendance**

An orientation at the Gordon House is required for all new members. The new member will be asked to provide a bio and picture at the orientation. Once the orientation is completed and the initial dues are paid, all new members are publicly introduced to the entire Rotary Club at a Wednesday meeting. To assist new members with learning about Rotary they will be asked to participate on the Red Badge Committee with other new members. All Rotary members are expected to actively participate on at least one committee and to maintain 50% attendance. Attendance credit is given for attending weekly meetings, committee meetings, community service projects and meetings at other Rotary Clubs.

**Financial Requirements as of July 1, 2008**

- A. Due within 30 days of approval
  - 1. Initiation Fee (one time) \$500.00
  - 2. Annual Dues \$480.00 (prorated)
- B. Annually
  - 1. Annual Dues (July) \$480.00 - Club/business expense
  - 2. Missed Meetings if not made up (Nov, Mar, July) \$ 20.00 each - Club/business expense
  - 3. Endowment Contribution (Oct) \$175.00 - Endowment/deductible
  - 4. International Foundation Contribution (Oct) \$100.00 - Endowment/deductible

*Weekly meetings are \$24 (\$12 without food) and parking is \$3.  
Optional donations to the annual Event/auction and the barbecues are billed separately.*

**Acknowledgment (to be checked by Applicant)**

Date \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ I have read the Membership Application and understand that my references will be contacted as part of the approval process. I understand the financial requirements of membership as well as the expectations for committee participation and attendance.

**Information to be completed by the sponsoring Rotarian**

Sponsoring Rotarian \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Co-sponsor (not required) \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you known the applicant? \_\_\_\_\_

What is the applicant's proposed Classification? \_\_\_\_\_

Is the applicant one of the top managers/executives in their organization? \_\_\_\_\_

Does the applicant spend at least 60% of his/her time in this position? \_\_\_\_\_

Has the applicant attended at least two Rotary meetings? \_\_\_\_\_

Has the applicant been a Rotarian before? \_\_\_\_\_ Number of years \_\_\_\_\_

Name/location of the Club \_\_\_\_\_

Other comments \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Acknowledgment (to be checked by the sponsor)**

Date \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ I have discussed the membership requirements and expectations with the applicant and will support the applicant during the first year of membership.

Please return this application to the Rotary office at  
1690 Senter Road, San Jose, CA 95112  
or fax it to  
(408) 297-6291

**To be completed by the Membership Committee**

Committee member assigned \_\_\_\_\_

Action taken \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Approved Classification \_\_\_\_\_