

Rotary



# CREATING SAFE SPACES AND MEANINGFUL EXPERIENCES

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# WHAT WE DO

- Uphold youth protection
- Certify districts
- Authorize multidistricts
- Maintain a directory

# MEASURE GLOBAL REACH

## 2024-25 PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS



**384**

Rotary districts actively participated in  
Rotary Youth Exchange  
465 districts were certified to participate.

**4,497**

clubs participated:  
4,266 Rotary clubs  
231 Rotaract clubs

**51**

countries hosted students or sent  
students on exchange.  
127 countries and territories were  
certified to participate.



**9,729**

host families  
3,575 Rotary and Rotaract club  
member host families  
6,154 nonmember host families



**7,290**

exchange  
students



**21,822**

total volunteers  
12,712 Rotary and Rotaract club member  
volunteers  
9,110 nonmember volunteers



**241**

host districts, or about 63% of  
participating districts, involved students  
in community service projects.

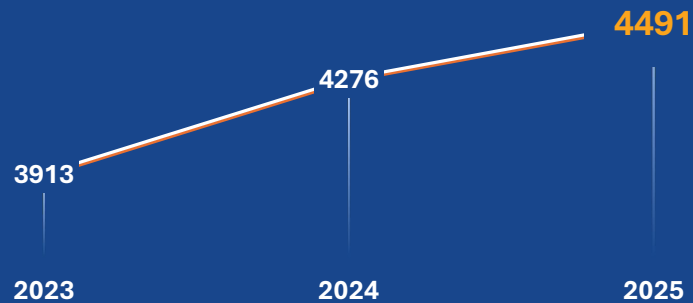


**76,380**

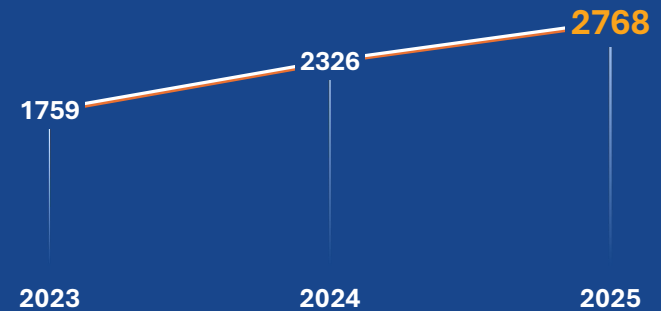
hours were served by 3,122 students in  
their host communities.

# 3-YEAR TRENDS IN ROTARY YOUTH EXCHANGE

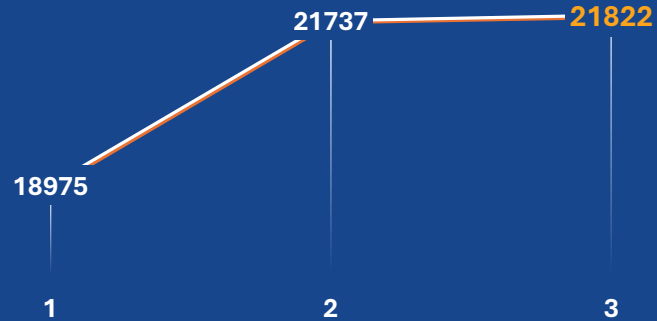
TOTAL NUMBER OF  
LONG-TERM STUDENTS - GLOBAL



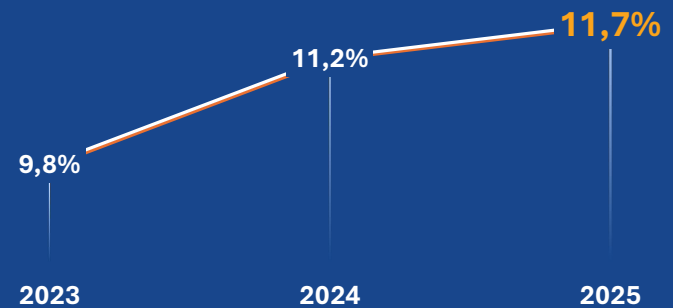
TOTAL NUMBER OF SHORT-TERM  
STUDENTS - GLOBAL



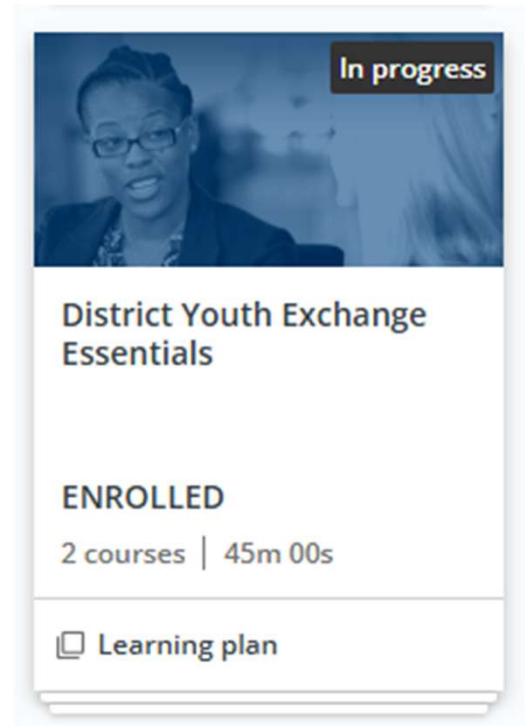
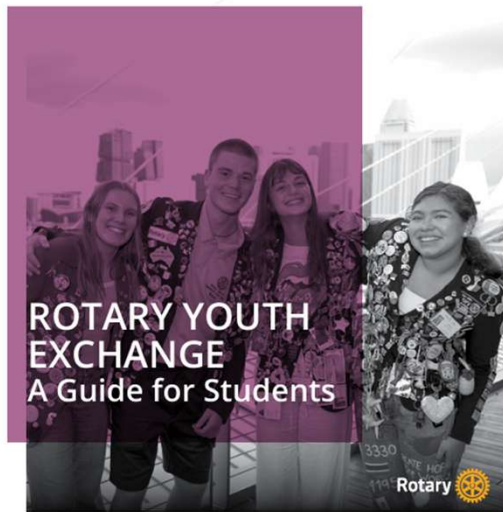
TOTAL VOLUNTEERS



PERCENTAGE OF ROTARY CLUBS THAT  
PARTICIPATE IN RYE



# ADVANCE LEARNING & PROGRAM QUALITY



# AWARENESS & PROMOTION



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# LIAISE WITH

# Youth Advisory Council

- Youth voices advise Rotary's Board
- Champion youth inclusion strategy

# RI YOUTH EXCHANGE TEAM

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**Logan Johnson**

Engagement Specialist



**Lauren Antosz**

Operations Specialist



**Chelsea Dresen**

Officer



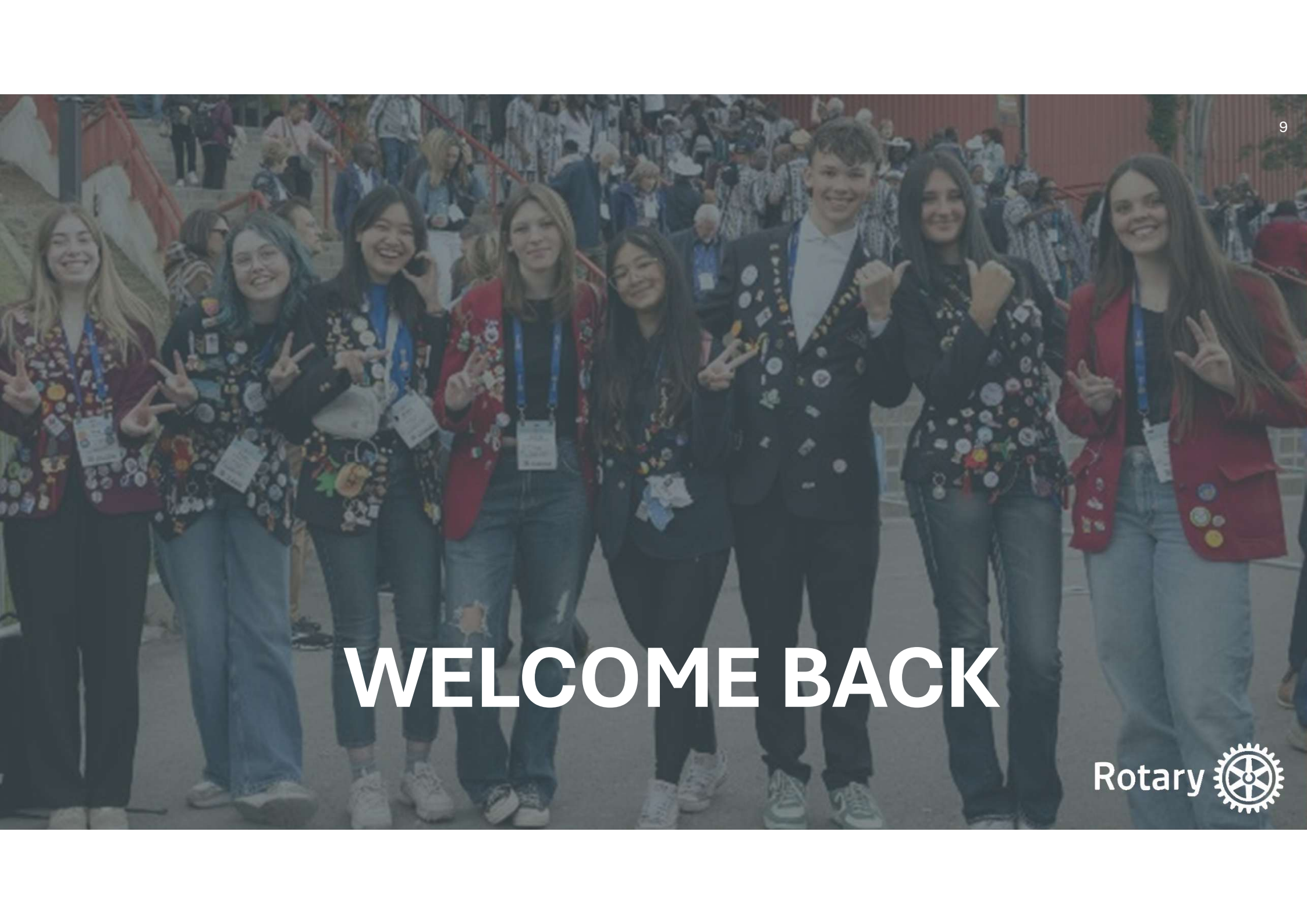
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## **Statement of Conduct for Working with Youth**

**Rotary International strives to create and maintain a safe environment for all youth who participate in Rotary activities. To the best of their ability, Rotary members, their partners, and other volunteers must safeguard the children and young people with whom they come into contact and protect them from physical, sexual, and psychological abuse.**

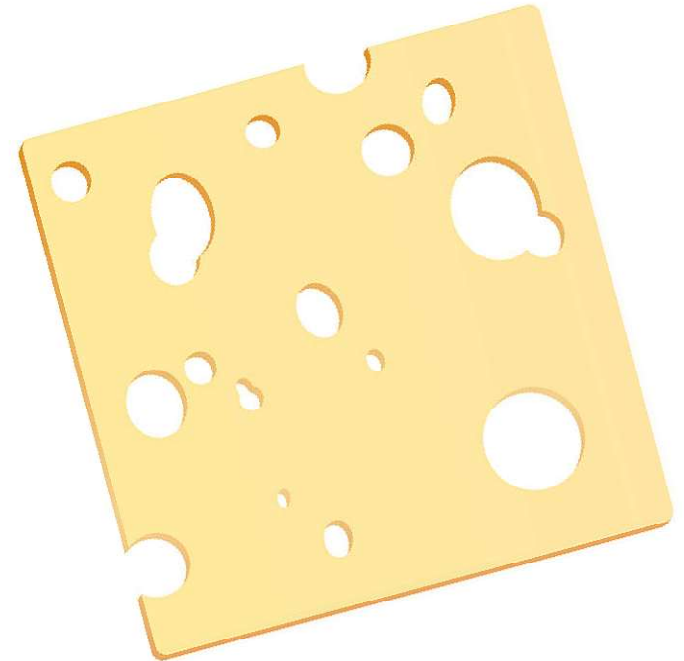
# **RYE PROGRAM OVERLAP WITH YOUTH PROTECTION**

**Safeguarding incidents have a higher prevalence during exchange because:**

- **Participants aged 15-19**
- **Away from home**
- **Living with unfamiliar adults**
- **Navigating new culture and language**
- **Experiencing increased vulnerability**
- **Dependent on volunteer networks**

# RYE: MULTIPLE LAYERS OF YOUTH PROTECTION

1. Training and engagement
2. Volunteer and host family screening
3. Rotary counselor
4. Multidistrict, district, club oversight



# FIND RESOURCES

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the enduring success of  
Rotary Youth Exchange**

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