

THE GROUP STUDY EXCHANGE PROGRAM

Group Study Exchange, an educational, vocational and social activity of The Rotary Foundation, offers a unique person-to-person opportunity for the promotion of better understanding and friendly relations among peoples of the world. The program provides travel grants for the exchange of teams of young business and professional men and women between paired districts in different countries.

This opportunity enables them to study and experience vocational institutions and the cultures of their hosts through the personal interaction of living in hosts' homes and by the exchange of cultural ideas and customs. The opportunity exists for the selected teams to present themselves and their cultures to a diverse range of people. Travelling with a sense of mission derived from their desire to learn and to promote understanding, these young men and women bring personal knowledge of their own country to the thousands they meet while abroad. Through their study of another country, their observations of its customs, their explorations into its business and professional life, their meetings and discussions with its people, come many opportunities for the development of understanding and lasting friendships.

Group Study Exchange is a reciprocal program. Over a one or two year period each of the paired districts must both send and receive a team. A District selects a team of outstanding young people who represent a cross section of business and professions in the district and sends them to a district in another country for a study program of not less than four weeks and not more than six weeks.

Since the formation of District 9640, exchanges have been experienced with the following:

YEAR	DISTRICT	PLACE	TEAM	YEAR	DISTRICT	PLACE	TEAM
1985	6460	Illinois, USA	Male team	2001	9920	Samoa	Mixed team
1987	5190	California/Nevada, USA	Female team	2002	5750	Oklahoma	Mixed team
1988	7530	West Virginia, USA	Male team	2002	4630	Brazil	Mixed team
1989	3260	India	Male team	2003	7770	South Carolina, USA	Mixed team
1990	4050	South Caribbean, West Indies	Male team	2004	3290	India	Mixed team
1991	6490	Illinois, USA	Female team	2004	2110	Sicily, Italy	Mixed team
1992	1390	Finland	Mixed team	2005	1920	Switzerland	Mixed team
1993	1010	Scotland	Mixed team	2005	1980	Austria	Mixed team
1994	9350	South Africa	Mixed team	2006	7530	West Virginia, USA	Mixed team
1995	5020	Canada/USA	Male team	2007	5000	Hawaii, USA	Mixed team
1995	1900	Germany	Mixed team	2007	6900	Georgia, USA	Mixed team
1996	1290	Cornwall, England	Mixed team	2008	1230	Scotland	Female team
1996	4620	Brazil	Mixed team	2008	2450	Middle East	Mixed team
1997	2560	Japan	Mixed team	2009	3520	Taiwan	Mixed team
1998	1100	Wales	Mixed team	2009	7020	Caribbean	Mixed team
1999	1100	Bristol, England	Mixed team	2010	7690	North Carolina, USA	Mixed team
1999	3630	South Korea	Mixed team	2011	6080	Missouri USA	Mixed team
1999	7010	Canada	Mixed team	2011-12	5510	Arizona USA	Mixed Team
2000	2440	Turkey	Mixed team	2012	6250	Wisconsin	Mixed team
2001	5010	Alaska	Mixed team	2013	3450	China	