**2018-19 Rotary Community Corps Survey Results**

Every year, RI surveys all club presidents whose club sponsors at least one Rotary Community Corps (RCC). Survey responses provide valuable information about the activities and demographics of RCCs and the nature of their partnership with Rotary clubs. 164 of 3818 presidents responded to the 2019 survey to share insights from the 2018-19 Rotary year.

Below are the most significant insights gained from the 2019 RCC survey:

I. **Active RCCs and their projects:**
   - 10,580 RCCs were active during the 2018-19 Rotary year.
   - 61% of RCCs are located in urban areas.
   - 72% of RCCs meet at least once a month.
   - 10% of RCC members are 18-24 years of age, 16% are 25-34 years of age, 30% are 35-44 years of age, 24% are 45-54 years of age, and 20% are 55 and older.
   - 38% of RCCs have predominantly male members, 36% predominantly female members, and 26% equal number of female and male members.
   - Club presidents characterized RCC members in four different groups:
     1. people who are committed to service but not qualified for membership in a Rotary club;
     2. people who are qualified for membership in a Rotary club but are not interested in joining;
     3. people who are interested in joining a Rotary club and are demonstrating their commitment to service through their involvement in the RCC;
     4. people who are in need of services and could benefit from the RCCs’ service projects.
   - RCC projects address all of Rotary’s areas of focus. Projects focused on Community and Economic Development, Disease Prevention and Treatment, and Basic Education and Literacy seemed to be the most common.
2018-19 RCC Overview

10,580 RCCs were active in 102 countries throughout the year. 785 new RCCs were chartered and 42 RCCs were terminated. As a result, RCCs experienced a 6.5% net growth worldwide. India has the highest number of active RCCs with 5503 corps. Philippines has the second highest number of RCCs with 1984 corps. Brazil is in the third place with 394 RCCs, followed by Egypt with 289, and Bangladesh with 236.
Interestingly, the countries with the highest number of RCCs are different from the countries with the highest annual growth rates. Hong Kong experienced the highest RCC growth with a 90% growth in active RCCs during the 2018-19 year. Canada experienced the second highest growth with 50% increase. Portugal experienced the third highest growth with a 47% increase. The growth rates in Egypt (43%), Australia (33%), China (33%), Mongolia (33%), and Tunisia (33%) are also well above the global average (6.5%) whereas the growth rates in countries like India (6.7%) and Brazil (4.8%) are understandably stable.
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RCC Location Trends by Region

North America and Europe
- Rural: 75%
- Urban: 25%

South/Central America and the Caribbean
- Rural: 21%
- Urban: 79%

South Asia
- Rural: 36%
- Urban: 64%

Africa and the Middle East
- Rural: 25%
- Urban: 75%

Southeast Asia and Oceania
- Rural: 44%
- Urban: 56%

East Asia
- Rural: 56%
- Urban: 44%
RCC Member Age Demographics by Region

North America and Europe

- 18-24: 21%
- 25-34: 14%
- 35-44: 18%
- 45-54: 25%
- 55 and older: 22%

South/Central America and the Caribbean

- 18-24: 10%
- 25-34: 10%
- 35-44: 35%
- 45-54: 17%
- 55 and older: 28%

South Asia

- 18-24: 14%
- 25-34: 8%
- 35-44: 17%
- 45-54: 44%
- 55 and older: 17%

Africa and the Middle East

- 18-24: 17%
- 25-34: 14%
- 35-44: 21%
- 45-54: 27%
- 55 and older: 21%

Southeast Asia and Oceania

- 18-24: 3%
- 25-34: 24%
- 35-44: 14%
- 45-54: 28%
- 55 and older: 31%

East Asia

- 18-24: 11%
- 25-34: 11%
- 35-44: 11%
- 45-54: 67%
- 55 and older: 11%

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RCC Member Gender Demographics by Region

North America and Europe
- Majority male: 28%
- Majority female: 33%
- Equal: 39%

South/Central America and the Caribbean
- Majority male: 13%
- Majority female: 12%
- Equal: 75%

South Asia
- Majority male: 32%
- Majority female: 15%
- Equal: 53%

Africa and the Middle East
- Majority male: 36%
- Majority female: 27%
- Equal: 37%

Southeast Asia and Oceania
- Majority male: 10%
- Majority female: 30%
- Equal: 60%

East Asia
- Majority male: 33%
- Majority female: 34%
- Equal: 33%

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II. Sponsoring Rotary clubs’ involvement with RCCs

- Rotary clubs organize most of the fundraising activities and donate funds for RCC projects. RCC members are more likely to volunteer their time to implement a project rather than be responsible for the long-term oversight of the project or publicize it.
- Most of the Rotary clubs promote RCCs through personal contacts (rated highest) and social networking site(s), as well as by advertising RCCs using local media.
- Most of the Rotary clubs support their RCCs by organizing joint club/RCC projects and inviting RCCs to participate in club meetings.
- Most of the club presidents communicate RCC information to their club members at club meetings or via email and or/newsletters.

III. Characteristics of RCC Members

Members of Rotary Community Corps are generally characterized as:

1- People who are committed to service but are not qualified for membership in a Rotary club.
2- People who are qualified for membership in a Rotary club but are not interested in joining a Rotary club.
3- People who are interested in joining a Rotary club and are demonstrating their commitment to service through their involvement in the RCC.
4- People who are in need of services and could benefit from the RCCs’ service projects.

Characteristics of RCC Members by Region 2019

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IV. Rotary’s involvement with RCCs

Club presidents shared feedback on Rotary’s support of the RCC program:

- 59% think that Rotary International should communicate directly with RCC presidents while 41% believe Rotary International should not communicate directly with RCC presidents because of language and translation issues, risking weakening the role of the sponsoring Rotary club, as well as RCC members’ lack of regular access to email.
- 57% of club presidents think that Rotary should not suspend RCCs that have been inactive for six or more months.
- 73% of club presidents would like resources on fundraising ideas for RCC projects, 68% would like a “How To” guide on maintaining a sustainable collaboration with their RCCs, and 59% would like additional ideas for promoting RCCs to community members.