

## OVERVIEW

This handbook serves as a comprehensive guide for both new and returning members of the Rotary Club of Atlanta West End (AWER), outlining the club's mission, expectations, structure, and opportunities for engagement.

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## ABOUT THE CLUB

- **Founded:** 1958, with a legacy rooted in civic leadership and community service.
  - **Mission:** To unite leaders, exchange ideas, and take action for lasting change locally and globally.
  - **Values:** Integrity, inclusiveness, mutual respect, and ethical leadership.
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## ROTARY PRINCIPLES

- **Four-Way Test:** A guiding ethical framework.
  - **Object of Rotary:** Promotes service, ethical standards, and international understanding.
  - **Avenues of Service:** Club, Vocational, Community, International, and Youth Service.
  - **Areas of Focus:** Includes Peacebuilding and Conflict Prevention, Disease Prevention and Treatment, Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene, Maternal and Child Health, Basic Education and Literacy, and Community Economic Development. A seventh area, the Environment,
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## MEMBERSHIP EXPECTATIONS

- **Dues:** Paid quarterly; includes RI and district assessments.
  - **Attendance:** Regular participation in meetings and service projects is encouraged.
  - **Engagement:** Members are expected to serve on committees, contribute their unique talents, and support The Rotary Foundation.
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## ORIENTATION & INVOLVEMENT

- **New Member Support:** Includes this handbook, mentorship, and a checklist for engagement.
  - **Checklist Highlights:**
    - Attend meetings and service projects.
    - Join a committee.
    - Create a MyRotary account.
    - Contribute to The Rotary Foundation.
    - Understand that the dues enhance the strength and capacity of the club.
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## TOOLS FOR SUCCESS

- **MyRotary Portal:** Manage membership, register for events, and access learning resources.
  - **Learning Center:** Offers self-paced courses on leadership and Rotary operations.
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## CLUB CULTURE & COMMUNITY

- Diversity & Inclusion: The club embraces members of all backgrounds and fosters open dialogue.
- Fellowship: Includes social events, traditions, and recognition programs.
- Community Engagement: Focus on literacy, youth mentorship, food security, and economic development.

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## LEADERSHIP PATHWAYS

- Board Roles: President, President-Elect, Secretary, Treasurer, and Committee Directors.
- Standing Committees:
  - Club Administration
  - Membership
  - Public Image
  - Service Projects
  - The Rotary Foundation
  - Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI)
- District & International Opportunities: Includes roles in District 6900 and global Rotary programs.

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## MAKING ROTARY PERSONAL

- Benefits: Leadership development, networking, skill-building, and global service opportunities.
  - Travel & Exchange: Rotary conventions, friendship exchanges, and global grants.
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