

2017-2018 Application for Rotary District 5930 International Scholarship to Costa Rica

Before completing this application, please read the scholarships information for Costa Rica Project on Rotary District 5930's website.

Application Deadline: Submit to Marissa Longoria at marissa.longoria@laredo.edu by **November 8, 2017**

Qualifications: 1) Must have completed by time of departure two years of college or university study with a declared major compatible with any one of the following Focus Areas of Rotary:

- **Peace and Conflict Prevention/Resolution**
- **Disease Prevention and Treatment**
- **Water and Sanitation**
- **Maternal and Child Health**
- **Basic Education and Literacy**
- **Economic and Community Development**

2) Must be sponsored by a Rotary Club in District 5930 and reside in District 5930, attend college or university in District 5930 or have graduated from a high school in District 5930 (Rotarians and family members of Rotarians not eligible). Membership in a Rotaract Club does not affect eligibility.

Selection Process: **Competitive interviews** will be conducted by the District 5930 Scholarship Sub-committee on **November 18, 2017** at the Best Western Northwest Corpus Christi Inn & Suites. The hotel address is: **3838 U. S. Highway 77; Corpus Christi, TX 78410.**

Applications submitted directly to The Rotary Foundation will not be considered.

Please print legibly or type. Do not use initials or abbreviations.

Family name: _____ Given names: _____

Male _____ Female _____

Current mailing address:

Email _____

Telephone: _____ Telephone (alternative): _____

Country of citizenship: _____

Country of birth: _____

Emergency contact information (relationship, name, address, phone number, email):

EDUCATIONAL HISTORY

Post-secondary or university level (include any studies planned between now and the scholarship term; list planned or most recent studies first):

Institution: _____

City, State/Province, Country: _____

Dates attended (month & year): _____

Field of study: _____

Degree or certificate received or expected: _____

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Degree or certificate received or expected: _____

Secondary School (name and location)	Dates attended (month and year)	Diploma or equivalent
_____	_____	Yes____No ____
_____	_____	Yes____No ____

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

(List current or most recent first)

Name of employer	Job title or type of work	Dates worked (month & year)
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE ABROAD

State / Province	Country	Dates	Circumstances
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

ESSAYS

Prepare the following documents with your name and the name of the sponsor Rotary club in the upper right corner.

1. A brief autobiography, no longer than two pages, describing
 - a. Academic strengths and challenges
 - b. Work experience
2. A detailed statement of intent, no longer than two pages, describing
 - a. Your reasons for applying for a scholarship.
 - b. Your current field of study and future career plans.
 - c. Your principal interests and activities and any leadership positions you have held. Indicate any training or experience in public speaking or community service.
 - d. What you have to gain from participating in the program in Costa Rica?
 - e. How will this experience relate to future career aspirations?

LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION

Have **two** academic instructors or employers or supervisors provide letters of recommendation.

TRANSCRIPTS

Provide original transcripts from all post-secondary colleges or universities attended.

LOCAL ROTARY CLUB ENDORSEMENT

To submit your application, you must first be sponsored by a local Rotary Club, which can be any Club in the 5930 District. If you are unsure of the closest Club, please visit our District website: <http://www.rotary5930.org/>. The Club will usually want to informally interview you before they submit your application to ensure you are a suitable candidate. Please note that this process may take time, so do not wait until the last minute to contact a Club. A Club rep (ideally the President of the Club) will need to sign the last page of this application and submit it with the rest of your attachments.

APPLICANT'S CERTIFICATION

My signature below certifies that the information provided in this scholarship application is truthful and accurate. I certify that I have read and understand all the requirements for the Costa Rica scholarship, in addition to the proposed itinerary of the trip. I also certify that I will abide by Rotary's conflict of interest policy. Likewise, to be eligible for any Rotary scholarship funds I certify that I do not fit in any of the categories listed below:

- * Rotarian, including honorary Rotarian
- * Employee of a club, district, or other Rotary Entity, or of Rotary International
- * Spouse, lineal descendant (child or grandchild by blood, legal adoption, or marriage without adoption), spouse of lineal descendants, or ancestor (parent or grandparent by blood) of person(s) in the above categories
- * Employee of an agency, organization, or institution that partners with The Rotary Foundation or Rotary International
- * Former Rotarian or honorary Rotarian who has terminated membership within the preceding 36 months
- * Person who is ineligible based on a familial relationship to a former Rotarian or honorary Rotarian, for a period of 36 months after termination of family member's membership

Applicant's signature: _____ Date: _____

ROTARY CLUB ENDORSEMENT FOR COSTA RICA APPLICANTS

The Rotary Club (Name): _____

City: _____ State: _____

Proposes (Name of Applicant): _____
for the District International Costa Rica Scholarship and forwards this application to the appropriate district official, as instructed.

Club Rep's (Preferably Club President) Signature: _____ Date: _____

The club interviewed this candidate in person. **YES NO** If **no**, please explain why not. *Optional:* If **yes**, you may add a summary of the interview or additional comments about the candidate.

ROTARY CLUBS: Please email completed applications to Marissa Longoria at marissa.longoria@laredo.edu

Deadline is 11/8/17