

# Nominations for District Governor for 2026-27 are now being accepted.

Each Rotary year, the District Governor leads and supports our clubs by inspiring and motivating them to have a life-changing impact in their communities and in the world. Clubs and individuals are encouraged to propose candidates who can provide this kind of leadership and who meet the qualifications to serve in this capacity. Among the requirements is that at the time of taking office, the Nominee must have been a past president of a club, completed seven or more years of membership in one or more clubs, and have attended the Governors-Elect Training Seminar and the International Assembly.

If you feel that your club has such a leader among your members, or you know of someone in another club in the District, please consider nominating them so that, together, we can keep on doing the important humanitarian and peacebuilding work of Rotary.

The deadline to submit nominations is **November 15, 2023**, with interviews to follow on December 9 or 16, 2023. The interview location is to be determined. Nominations should include a signed application (found attached to this email or by clicking this [link](#)) endorsed by your club's secretary and a cover letter of 1,000 words or less introducing yourself and why you would like to be the next District Governor. Nomination applications should be sent to PDG Mary AufdenKampe at [mary\\_aufdenkampe@hotmail.com](mailto:mary_aufdenkampe@hotmail.com).

## What are the requirements to become a district governor?

1. You must have previously served as President of a Rotary club.
2. You must have been a member of Rotary for at least seven or more years by the time you become District Governor.

## Is there training?

There is extensive training. The candidate MUST be able to attend the Governors Training Seminars at the Zone Training Institutes during their DGN and DGE years. In addition, Rotary International provides a week of training, called IA (International Assembly) where you will train with over 500 fellow Governors-Elect from around the world.

## How is the Governor selected each year?

The nominating committee includes past District Governors and Past Club Presidents from a variety of different sized clubs throughout District 6600. In addition, the current line of Governors will be in attendance but are non-voting members.

The committee is looking for a number of characteristics in selecting the right candidate. Two important aspects are the ability to lead and the desire to work with our existing District Governor track. Being an expert on everything Rotary is not a requirement.

## Do I have to be retired to be District Governor?

Absolutely not. A number of Past District Governors (PDG) have continued to work full or part-time during their year as Governor.

## **Do I have to be a certain age?**

Not at all. Anyone with the desire to serve is encouraged to apply.

## **What documents must I submit?**

1. The Rotary International Governor Nominee Designate Form (found attached to this email or by clicking this [link](#)). Make sure the Secretary of your club signs the form.
2. A letter to the Nominating Committee, 1,000 words or less, introducing yourself and why you would like to be the District Governor for the 2026-2027 Rotary year.

You can send all documents electronically to [mary\\_aufdenkampe@hotmail.com](mailto:mary_aufdenkampe@hotmail.com) or you can send them via mail to: Mary AufdenKampe, 1510 Lexington Drive, Vermilion, OH 44089.

**ALL DOCUMENTS MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN NOVEMBER 15, 2023.**

## **When will the next Governor be nominated?**

Following the completion of the interviews, the committee will discuss all the nominees and select one by consensus that same evening. All nominees will be notified immediately by the District Governor.

PLEASE NOTE - If you are not selected, do not be discouraged from applying again. Many of the Past District Governors went through the selection process more than one time.

## **Questions?**

Mary AufdenKampe, PDG is Chairperson of the Nominating Committee  
- [mary\\_aufdenkampe@hotmail.com](mailto:mary_aufdenkampe@hotmail.com) or 216-570-9669.

Any of the current Governor line would be more than happy to answer your questions:

District Governor Jim Duke - [jimd6600@outlook.com](mailto:jimd6600@outlook.com)

District Governor Elect Tim Ryan - [imtryan@gmail.com](mailto:imtryan@gmail.com)

District Governor Nominee Pamela Brumbaugh - [pbrumbaugh@brumbaughelderlaw.com](mailto:pbrumbaugh@brumbaughelderlaw.com)

Any of the Past District Governors would also be an excellent resource, as well.

Becoming familiar with the Rotary International (RI) Manual of Procedures, the By-Laws and the District 6600 Manual of Procedures (MOP) would be helpful, as well.