



San Diego Rotary “YoPro’s” Young Professionals Program

Purpose: Create a program that will bring in energetic, young members to the San Diego Rotary Club.

Opportunities:

- The San Diego Rotary Club has strong ties to young professionals, most notably through the San Diego State University Rotaract Club and two Community Rotaract Clubs
- Many young professionals have a strong connection to the club and would very much like to join. The only obstacles in them doing so are the costs associated with regular membership as well as the expectation of lunch attendance.
- Younger Rotarians in our club are more apt give what they can financially and are, on average, more active in committees than their older counterparts.

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- Eligible for individuals who are 39 years old or younger and meet the membership criteria as outlined in the San Diego Rotary bylaws.
- Individuals can remain in the program for no more than 10 years or when they reach the age of 40, whichever comes first.
- YoPro’s must go through the standard membership approval process, including a review by the Young Professional sub-committee of the Review Committee. A successful candidate must meet all of the membership Bylaw requirements including hold an important position in their company or show a sustained propensity of service through their collegiate and post-college years (if applicable) or through involvement with San Diego community leadership programs, such as LEAD.
- Request minimum \$250 donation to Rotary International and the San Diego Rotary Club Foundation (same as regular members).
- Be active in no less than two San Diego Rotary committees or projects in addition to the YoPro’s events.
- Individuals in this category are encouraged to attend at least half of the “YoPro’s” gatherings.
- Specific dates/times and agendas TBD, but they will be designed to be networking, with discussion around upcoming service opportunities as well as guest speakers.
- Sponsors are encouraged attend at last half of the YoPro’s gatherings
- Benefits include:
 - No Initiation fee (\$250 donation to the Club Foundation and/or RI requested)
 - Annual dues of \$295
 - Pay only for lunches when they attend a regular club meeting.