Q1.
Rotary Action Groups are one of the most important project resources throughout the Rotary world. With your support, club and district projects are more scalable and sustainable and Rotary's image and impact is growing around the globe. It is important that we report on our actions each year. Action Groups are asked to complete and submit their annual reports before 1 October.

The purpose of the annual report is twofold:

(1) To ensure each Action Group is compliant with the requirements articulated in the Rotary Code of Policies;
(2) To gather useful information that can be shared with clubs and districts so they understand what type of support Rotary Action Groups can provide to their service projects

Please note: **Action Group annual reports will be reviewed by the RI Board of Directors. Failure to complete this survey and submit an annual report by 1 October will result in immediate suspension.**

To prepare in advance, you may view a copy of the questions that was emailed to you as a PDF document. Please submit your answers via Qualtrics survey.

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Q2.
General Information

Please select the name of your Action Group.

- Hepatitis
- Malaria
- Menstrual Health and Hygiene
- Mental Health
- Multiple Sclerosis
- Peace
- Refugees
- Reproductive Maternal Child Health
- Slavery Prevention
- Water Sanitation & Hygiene

Q5.
Name of the RAG Officer submitting this form

Patricia Merryweather Arges

Q6. E-mail address of the RAG Officer submitting this form

dg6450pat@aol.com

Q3. Please enter your website address if it is different from what's listed on www.rotary.org/actiongroups

Q4. Please enter links to your Action Group's social media accounts if they have been created or changed since last year. If nothing has changed, please move on to the next question.

Facebook	
Twitter	
LinkedIn	
Instagram	
Other	

Q7.
Dues

Do you collect Individual Annual Membership Dues?

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No

Q8. Cost of Individual Annual Membership Dues(in USD)

25.00

Q9. Do you collect Lifetime Membership Dues?

- ( ) Yes
- (●) No

Q10. Cost of Lifetime Membership Dues (in USD)

This question was not displayed to the respondent.

Q11. If applicable, please list other membership dues options

$100 for five years of membership

Q15. Does your Action Group have paid staff?

- [ ] Yes
- [x] No

Membership. **Membership and Collaboration**

Please indicate how many of your members are:

Rotarians	1388
Rotaractors	012
Non Rotarians or Rotaractors	0
Total	1,400

Q12. How many members are serving in an expert capacity - meaning they are actively advising on project-related inquiries?

145

Q80. How many members serving in an expert capacity did your group gain and lose in the past Rotary year?

Gained	90
Lost	

Q22. How many Rotary clubs are members of your group?

0

Q23. How many Rotaract clubs are members of your group?

0

Q24. How many districts are members of your group?

0

Q25. How many countries are represented in your group's membership?

93

Q26. Write the top five countries represented by your members, starting with the country that has the most members

Country 1	United States
Country 2	Canada
Country 3	India
Country 4	Australia
Country 5	Nigeria

Q50. How many board members does your Action Group have?

Rotarians	14
Rotaractors	0
Peace Fellows	0
Other/non-Rotary	0
Total	14

Q51. How many members of your Action Group's board identify as

Male	11
Female	3
Prefer not to identify a gender	0

Total	14

Q52. Write the top five countries represented by your Action Group's board.

Country 1	USA
Country 2	India
Country 3	Guatemala
Country 4	Kenya
Country 5	Netherlands

Q29. How frequently does your Rotary Action Group communicate with all members?

- ○ Weekly
- ◉ Monthly
- ○ Quarterly
- ○ Other (please explain)

Q81. Please estimate the number of people (members/non-members) receive your newsletters and communications?

# of newsletter recipients	10000
# recipients of communications	1400

Q30. Please remember to add *actiongroups@rotary.org* to your distribution list.

Q31. Please estimate the number of service projects your RAG has collaborated on over the past year:

Club projects	22
District projects	1
Multi-district projects	0
TRF-funded projects	12
Other Rotarian-led projects	11

Total	46

Q83. Per RI's policies, **Rotary Action Groups must maintain an action plan and report progress towards action group objectives** in their annual report. Please use the following space to provide an update on the progress your group made towards the objectives in your action plan.

Goal 1: Sustainability of WASH Projects and Programs Support the development of sustainable WASH solutions in communities by promoting local ownership and leveraging the advocacy and expertise of Rotary members and strategic partners. Distribute and communicate the lessons learned on WASH projects and encourage incorporation into all WASH programs. Progress: Providing education and doing 'look back' at successful WASH initiatives to identify key drivers Monitor and understand lessons learned in order to enhance decision making, improve effectiveness, and to build capacity. Ensure that water and sanitation projects are sustainable over the long term. Develop and promote proven processes for long term success. This often involves training local communities in maintenance and management and developing financial models to support ongoing operations. Progress: We have OPS Team members monitoring the sustainability Goal 2: Increase the Impact of WASH Rotary Action Group Grow the WASH Ambassador program to have a more significant impact by engaging stakeholders. Progress: We had 90 Ambassadors in 2024-2025 year and are growing as we are now around 130 --- we have a goal of an Ambassador in each District Support WASH Ambassadors through training and sharing resources, including tools that global initiatives can support. Progress: Monthly topical training sessions are held by zoom Set goals and measure results to identify successful initiatives and share best practices. Progress: This is in progress Collaborate with local, regional, national and international organizations. Progress: This is in action and there is increased collaboration with outreach occurring. We are also exploring the concept of chapters at the Club, District, Zone and Regional level Build awareness of the global WASH crisis to motivate action. Progress: This is occurring through the Public Image Teams with assistance from Professional Services Team, Ambassadors, and Cadres Develop tools to assess programs for unbiased decision-making of WASH-RAG events and programs. Progress: We did analysis and study of our past approach and now have an integrated WASH RAG Member, Ambassador, and Cadre approach Goal 3: Expand our Reach Grow WASH Rotary Action Group membership among stakeholders. Progress: We increased WASH members through outreach and increased Ambassadors and Cadres Strengthen partnerships with other organizations, governments, and the private sector to leverage resources and expertise. Collaboration can enhance project reach and effectiveness. Progress: This is encouraged at the Grant level as well as we are modeling collaboration at the WASH RAG Board, Ambassador, and Cadre level Collaborate and partner with organizations such as WASH NGOs, United Nations, G7 and G20, governmental agencies, and sponsors of WASH. Progress: We support and keep current with the policy and funding organizations Develop communication and marketing plans that: o Represent the interests, languages, and cultures of the WASH regions. o Communicate with Rotary International, The Rotary Foundation leadership, and District, Regional and Zone leadership on WASH issues. o Maintain and expand the WASH-RAG brand Progress: This is underway and continues to expand Have a visible presence at major WASH events to encourage memberships and partnerships. Progress: We encourage Ambassadors to be actively engaged locally and this year we were able to get funds through a not-for-profit to help fund the Ambassadors attending Institutes, District Conferences, and PELs training Work collaboratively with other Rotary Action Groups and Rotary Fellowships to achieve goals. Progress: We have been working with other Groups and Fellowships doing joint webinars and inviting them to participate in the HUB and Summit. We also had the Photography Fellowship Board Members as the judges for our Annual WASH Photo and Video contest. Work with the WASH Foundation for a more significant impact. Progress: As WASH RAG is not a 501c3, we rely on the donations and support from the WASH Foundation. Goal 4: Enhance Participant Engagement Reach out and solicit the engagement of stakeholders to share WASH with Rotary members and their local governments. Progress: This is being done by local Ambassadors and Cadres Engage stakeholders to be actively involved in the planning and executing WASH-RAG activities. Progress: This is a key criteria for WASH Grants and projects By following Rotary's guidelines for Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion. Progress: We are always working to ensure that we are inclusive of more country representatives and are working with the communities in most need. Recognize the many contributions made by the WASH-RAG Board of Directors, Operations Team, Ambassadors, and our members. Progress: We celebrate these WASH RAG leadership groups. Build awareness about WASH-RAG within Rotary leadership at the club, district, regional, and global levels. Progress: Through our outreach with Ambassadors, Cadres, OPS Team, and Board Members we continue to do outreach Goal 5: Increase our Ability to Adapt Develop a process to prepare for and implement changes in a reasonable timeframe, including periodic reviews and necessary adjustments to the WASH-RAG structure to optimize effectiveness. Progress: We assessed our organizational structure and re-framed it in the Grant Review area; Ambassador and Cadre leadership; and have a more responsive approach and outreach Seek new ideas and innovative approaches to WASH from our various stakeholders. Progress: We are always gaining new ideas and approaches from our WASH RAG members and we share in Newsletters, Webinars, and Summit Address the impacts of climate change on water resources, which includes developing strategies to manage water scarcity, protect water sources, and ensure that WASH infrastructure is resilient to extreme weather events Progress: This is an ongoing initiative and we are developing collaboration with ESRAG on these issues.

Q79. Action Group Model

Select the option(s) that describe your Action Group (please **select both** if applies):

- [x] Our Rotary Action Group serves as a consultant for clubs and districts in the area of our specialty.
- [ ] Our Rotary Action Group has a signature initiative. Signature initiative is defined as a multi-year project for which your Action Group is the entity that is responsible for managing the outcomes.

Q69. How many signature initiatives does your Action Group have? Please respond by typing a 1, 2 or 3 in the box.

This question was not displayed to the respondent.

Q34. Signature Initiative Details

Signature initiative is defined as a multi-year project for which your Action Group is the entity responsible for managing the outcomes.

This question was not displayed to the respondent.

Q35. Signature initiative information

This question was not displayed to the respondent.

Q34. Signature Initiative Details

Signature initiative is defined as a multi-year project for which your Action Group is the entity responsible for managing the outcomes.

This question was not displayed to the respondent.

Q35. Signature initiative information

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Q34. Signature Initiative Details

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This question was not displayed to the respondent.

Q35. Signature initiative information

This question was not displayed to the respondent.

Q58.
Service Activities

Please select the type of assistance members of your Rotary Action Group have provided to clubs and districts in the past year. **For each type of assistance that you select, you will be asked to provide examples or further details for at least three of them. These examples will help us better showcase your Action Group to the Rotary community.**

The examples will enable Rotary to better showcase the type of services Rotary Action Groups provide.

- [x] Coached clubs/Rotary members on developing a TRF global grant application
- [x] Served as a cooperating organization on a global grant
- [x] Provided technical assistance to implement a project
- [x] Raised funds
- [x] Monitored a project
- [x] Advised on data collection and usage
- [x] Developed tools around impact reporting
- [x] Publicized successes of projects or initiatives
- [x] Conducted subject matter trainings or workshops
- [x] Conducted awareness campaigns
- [x] Created guidelines, training manuals, compilation of best practices, etc
- [x] Hosted conference or learning event on a related subject
- [x] Served as subject matter speaker(s) at a meeting, conference, event, etc
- [x] Facilitated partnership with private or public donor agencies
- [x] Facilitated partnership with government ministries
- [x] Facilitated partnership with cooperating organizations
- [x] Facilitated partnership with corporations or vendors

Q80. You selected that members of your Rotary Action Group coached clubs/Rotary members on developing a TRF global grant application. Please use the following space to provide more details on how your Action Group coached clubs/Rotary members on developing TRF global greant applications.

WASH RAG offers a free service to have a Global Grant reviewed by cadres. If the Global Grant is acceptable or it needs modifications, WASH RAG donates $2000 toward the grant if the modifications are done and the Global Grant is deemed ready for submission

Q81. You selected that members of your Rotary Action Group raised funds over the past year. Please select the means by which your Action Group raised funds (select all that apply):

- [x] From the Action Group members
- [x] From the broader Rotary network
- [x] From donors outside of Rotary
- [x] From external organizations/corporations

Q67. You may use the following space to provide more details on how your Action Group raised funds.

WASH RAG does get some Rotary member and organization donations. We also partner with WASH Foundation and received a $25,000 grant and funds raised by the Fellowships of BREW and Wine. We also had some private donations from donors honoring WASH RAG Past President and current board member, Ron Denham.

Q52. You selected that members of your Rotary Action Group served as a cooperating organization on a global grant.
You may use the following space to provide more details about how your group served as a cooperating organization on a global grant during the past year.

While there are many WASH Global Grants, we are asked to provide some technical assistance and oversight on particular grants per the Rotary Club or District requests.

Q53. You selected that members of your Rotary Action Group provided technical assistance to implement a project.
You may use the following space to provide more details about how your group provided technical assistance to implement a project during the past year.

We provide a detailed review of Global Grants and encourage the requestor to follow the technical assistance.

Q54. You selected that members of your Rotary Action Group have monitored a project.
You may use the following space to provide more details about how your group monitored a project over the past year.

We review and monitor grants in which some of our OPS Team, Ambassadors, Cadre, and Board members are involved in.

Q55. You selected that members of your Rotary Action Group advised on data collection and usage.
You may use the following space to provide more details about how your group advised on data collection and usage during the past year.

We have a master data base for membership and a listing for interested newsletter recipients. This data base is managed by our OPS team and is only avaialbel for a need to know. We encourage members of the RAG to utilize data for outcomes analysis

Q56. You selected that members of your Rotary Action Group publicized successes of projects or initiatives.
You may use the following space to provide more details about how your group publicized successes of projects or initiatives during the past year.

They are readily available on our website, newsletter, webinars, and conferences.

Q57. You selected that members of your Rotary Action Group conducted subject matter trainings or workshops.
You may use the following space to provide more details about how your group conducted subject matter trainings or workshops during the past year.

The Ambassador and membership training information is on our website.

Q58. You selected that members of your Rotary Action Group conducted awareness campaigns.
You may use the following space to provide more details about how your group conducted awareness campaigns during the past year.

WASH RAG members along with the Ambassadors and Cadres work together. The WASH Photo and Video Contest also raises awarenesss.

Q59. You selected that members of your Rotary Action Group created guidelines, training manuals, compile best practices, etc.
You may use the following space to provide more details about the guidelines, training manuals, and best practices created by your members. how were those used by clubs and districts?

The WASH RAG members have access to the guidelines, training manuals, and best practices on-line and through their Ambassadors and Cadres.

Q60. You selected that members of your Rotary Action Group hosted a conference or learning event on a related subject.
You may use the following space to provide more details about how your group hosted a conference or learning event on a related subject.

We host webinars each month for the Ambassadors so they are well trained and knowledgeable to support their local Rotary members. We held our WASH Summit with a focus on "WASH Away Polio and Other Infectious Diseases" just prior to the opening of the RI Convention in Calgary. We had the largest attendance in about 10 years primarily due to lower registration fee and concentrated half day session. We also held many sessions in the HUB this year.

Q61. You selected that members of your Rotary Action Group served as subject matter speaker(s) at a meeting, conference, event, etc.

You may use the following space to provide more details about how your group served as subject matter speaker(s) at a meeting, conference, event, etc.

We are always actively engaged in meetings of other RAGs, Fellowships, and WASH related groups --- this is a constant occurrence throughout the year.

Q62. You selected that members of your Rotary Action Group facilitated partnerships with private or public donor agency in the past year.
You may use the following space to provide more details about how your group facilitated partnerships with private or public donor agency in the past year.

We worked closely with individual donors to raise funds in honor of Ron Denham and Anna Sheperd ---both remarkable people that build the foundation of WASH RAG. We also work closely with the WASH Foundation and received a $25,000 grant and donations from BREW and Wine Fellowship Fundraisers.

Q63. You selected that members of your Rotary Action Group facilitated partnerships with government ministries.
You may use the following space to provide more details about how your group facilitated partnerships with government ministries in the past year.

The partnerships are at the local level with local WASH members,Ambassadors and cadres.

Q64. You selected that members of your Rotary Action Group facilitated partnerships with cooperating organizations.
You may use the following space to provide more details about how your group facilitated partnerships with cooperating organizations in the past year.

We have numerous relationships through our WASH Board, OPS Team, Ambassadors, and Cadres.

Q65. You selected that members of your Rotary Action Group facilitated partnerships with corporations or vendors.
You may use the following space to provide more details about how your group facilitated partnerships with corporations or vendors in the past year.

For the Foundation, we shared how we utilized their funds in the past and identified a need for support for the Ambassadors and an uncovered geological government requirement in countries that prevented them from applying for grants --- we now fund these studies in the countries that need them before applying for a TRF Global Grant

Q65. You selected that members of your Rotary Action Group developed tools around impact reporting.
Could you provide a brief description of those tools?

Yes they are available through our Cadre and the cadres and Ambassadors are able to support the requestor with the tools they need. Tools and resources are available on the WASH RAG website.

Q66. You selected that members of your Rotary Action Group developed tools around impact reporting.
If relevant, upload a copy of the tool here.

Q63. **Partnerships**

This is the partnership section. You will be asked to first insert the name of your partner (formal and informal), then select the type of partnership, whether or not you have a written partnership, and finally you have an opportunity to provide any additional details about the partnership. Please do not include Rotary clubs or districts.

How many partners does your Action Group have? Please respond with a number up to 10.

4

Q65. Enter the name of Partner 1

WASH Foundation

Q64. Please select the category of this partner:

Other

Q67. Do you have a formal, written partnership with this organization?

A formal written partnership is defined as having a Memorandum of Understanding, Memorandum of Cooperation, or similar written agreement.

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) I don't know

Q68. Please provide any additional details you would like about this partnership.

Q65. Enter the name of Partner 2

BREW Fellowship

Q64. Please select the category of this partner:

Private donor agency

Q67. Do you have a formal, written partnership with this organization?

A formal written partnership is defined as having a Memorandum of Understanding, Memorandum of Cooperation, or similar written agreement.

- (●) Yes

- ○ No
- ○ I don't know

Q68. Please provide any additional details you would like about this partnership.

Q65. Enter the name of Partner 3

WINE Fellowship

Q64. Please select the category of this partner:

Private donor agency

Q67. Do you have a formal, written partnership with this organization?

A formal written partnership is defined as having a Memorandum of Understanding, Memorandum of Cooperation, or similar written agreement.

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No
- ○ I don't know

Q68. Please provide any additional details you would like about this partnership.

Q65. Enter the name of Partner 4

Wallace Genetics

Q64. Please select the category of this partner:

Private donor agency

Q67. Do you have a formal, written partnership with this organization?

A formal written partnership is defined as having a Memorandum of Understanding, Memorandum of Cooperation, or similar written agreement.

- (●) Yes
- ( ) No
- ( ) I don't know

Q68. Please provide any additional details you would like about this partnership.

We work through the WASH Foundation on our terms for grants with Wallace Genetics

Q65. Enter the name of Partner

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Q64. Please select the category of this partner:

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Q67. Do you have a formal, written partnership with this organization?

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Q68. Please provide any additional details you would like about this partnership.

This question was not displayed to the respondent.

Q69.

Programs of Scale

How engaged is/was your Action Group in Programs of Scale? Select all that apply.

- ☐ Our Action Group members helped promote the Programs of Scale competition

- [ ] Our Action Group directly partnered on a Programs of Scale grant application/s
- [ ] Our Action Group reviewed / provided feedback on a Programs of Scale grant application/s
- [ ] Our Action Group is current supporting a Programs of Scale awardee, finalist or honorable mention
- [ ] Our Action Group has been sharing learnings and best practices from the previous programs of scale awardees
- [x] Our Action Group has not had any involvement in Programs of Scale

Q70. You selected that your Action Group partnered on a Programs of Scale grant application.
What is the title, location and objective of the Programs of Scale grant application program?

This question was not displayed to the respondent.

Q71. Why did your Action Group decide to partner on a Programs of Scale grant application?

This question was not displayed to the respondent.

Q72. You selected that your Action Group reviewed / provided feedback on a Programs of Scale grant application.
What is the title, location and objective of the program on which your Action Group reviewed or provided feedback?

This question was not displayed to the respondent.

Q73.
What were the main areas of program feedback to the applicant/s?

This question was not displayed to the respondent.

Q76. Why isn't your Action Group engaged in Programs of Scale?

The WASH RAG does not undertake any programs or projects itself. Our focus is on assisting Clubs, Districts, and WASH RAG members through education, technical advice, Global Grant Reviews, and finding partners and funding for Grants.

Q84. Did your Action Group support Rotary Healthy Communities Challenge?

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

Q85. Where did your Action Group support Rotary Healthy Communities Challenge?

This question was not displayed to the respondent.

Q86. What was your group's role in supporting Rotary Healthy Communities Challenge?

This question was not displayed to the respondent.

Q62. **Finances**

Please summarize your group's financial activity during the past Rotary year indicating revenues, expenditures, and a statement of available funds at the end of the Rotary year. (in USD)

Account balance at the start of the Rotary year (in USD)	177,300.53
Account balance at the end of Rotary year	127,925.51

Q63. **Revenues**

Total revenues during Rotary year (in USD)	46561
Revenues from membership dues	19355
Revenues from donations	14871
Individual donations	6334
Corporate donations	6000

Q64. **Expenditures**

Total expenditures during Rotary year (in USD)	95936
Expenditures on administrative expenses	5113
Expenditures on service projects	20,000 to DAF; 25,000 to TRF WASH

Q65. Groups with annual gross receipts or expenditures of **more than** US$25,000 or equivalent must provide an annual financial statement and report that has been independently reviewed by a qualified accountant or by an action group audit committee.

Please upload the forms below and then you can add additional documents once you click forward to the next screen.

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Q66. Additional financial documents-continued

This question was not displayed to the respondent.

Q67. Additional financial documents

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Q68. Additional financial documents-continued

Q69. Additional financial documents-continued

Q59. Additional financial documents-continued

Q72. Additional financial documents-continued

Q70. Feel free to use this space to upload any additional information/documents you want to share with RI.

Q77. You have come to the end of the report form. If you want to review what you have submitted, please use the Table of Contents to access each section. Access the Table of Contents by selecting the three lines in the upper left hand corner.
If you are ready to submit your responses, please proceed. A copy of your responses will be emailed to you when you submit your survey.

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