

Rotaract District 5050 Polar Bear Plunge - White Rock Beach

Rotaract District 5050 is a collective group of Rotaractors with clubs spanning Everette, WA, to Hope, BC, who continuously work to grow, strengthen, and give back to our communities. A club based in White Rock, called the Semiahmoo Peninsula Rotaract, continues to lead community initiatives and charitable work in the White Rock area. As a member district of Rotaract Canada, Rotaract District 5050 is joining forces with Rotaract districts and clubs across Canada with a collective goal of raising \$75,000 for The Rotary Foundation's Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene Fund, with a specific focus of providing clean water to Indigenous communities in Canada. Rotary Canada has committed to matching this donation to further the project's impact.

As both member districts of Rotaract Canada, District 5050 has partnered with Rotaract District 5040 to raise a collective goal of \$16,195 CAD, contributing to the \$75,000 goal. As a primary form of fundraising for this project, Rotaractors across Canada will be hosting a polar bear plunge in Canadian bodies of water on March 19, 2022, called Making Waves. With the motto of "Freezin' for a Reason" - jumping into the ice-cold water simultaneously, making one big splash!

We hope to host the Rotaract 5050 Plunge at White Rock Beach as a free event open to all community members, and participants can **donate online** to the cause if they feel compelled to. Should we host the plunge at White Rock Beach, we plan to have all safety precautions in place, such as Search and Rescue, First Aid, and more. We also plan to have media coverage promoting the event and sharing the collective goal of providing clean water for Indigenous communities in Canada.

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