



Kiwanis®

CLUB OF SOUTH ARLINGTON

SERVING CHILDREN - AROUND ARLINGTON AND AROUND THE WORLD!

THINGS TO KNOW ABOUT KIWANIS INTERNATIONAL

Kiwanis is an international service organization founded in 1915 and focused on supporting youth.

In addition to 185,000 members in 8,000 adult clubs across the globe, Kiwanis offers three specific programs for youth: **Key Club**, **Builders Club** and **K-Kids**. Key Club is the oldest and largest service organization for teens and teaches leadership through service to others. Builders Club provides students age 11-14 with opportunities to develop leadership skills, improve self-esteem, increase civic engagement and learn life skills through service. K-Kids gives students ages 6-12 opportunities to work together on service projects, develop leadership potential and create strong moral character.



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There also are **Kiwanis Aktion Clubs** for adults with disabilities, as well as **Circle K International** for college and university students.

Globally, Kiwanis and its members raise almost \$340 million and dedicate more than 7.3 million hours annually to strengthen communities and help children throughout the world.

Why should **YOU** consider Kiwanis membership? Consider these reasons:

- **Meaningful impact.** Kiwanis empowers you to make a tangible difference in your community.
- **Personal growth.** Kiwanis offers a place to enhance your skills and self-confidence – with opportunities for leadership development, public speaking and project management.
- **Investment in the future.** As part of an organization that improves the health and well-being of children and their communities, you help create global citizens who are better equipped for success.
- **Global network.** The Kiwanis family connects you with like-minded individuals worldwide, fostering friendships, collaborations and cross-cultural experiences.
- **Lasting friendships.** Lifelong friendships often blossom through shared service. Kiwanis clubs offer a sense of belonging and camaraderie.



THE KIWANIS CLUB OF SOUTH ARLINGTON: A KEY SOCIAL-SAFETY-NET SUPPORTER!

At the local level, the Kiwanis Club of South Arlington provides a fraternal ambiance with monthly meetings and exceptional speakers while also focusing on philanthropy. Your support of the Kiwanis Club of South Arlington aids our work on behalf of the following efforts:

- **Arlington Food Assistance Center:** The community's food pantry, serving thousands of families each week with healthy food offerings.
- **Arlington Thrive:** This organization provides basic support services for families facing short-term critical needs, like rental assistance and utility support.
- **Arlington Free Clinic:** For the past 30 years, the Free Clinic has provided comprehensive services to those who fall in between the cracks of the health-insurance safety net.
- **Arlington Community High School:** This unique public school delivers alternative-learning options for high-school-age and adult learners. Our support includes the school's Key Club and providing college scholarships to graduates.
- **Culpepper Garden:** For nearly 50 years, Culpepper Garden has provided affordable housing and quality support services to low-income Arlington seniors.
- **Aspire! Afterschool Learning:** This non-profit organization puts its emphasis on serving students by improving literacy skills and instilling a love of learning that can last a lifetime.
- **Arlington Pediatric Clinic:** This organization provides services to mothers and their newborn babies to ensure a bright future lies ahead.
- **Our Lady Queen of Peace Catholic Church Pantry:** This church food pantry provides vital support to those facing food-insecurity in our community.
- **St. George's Episcopal Church Pantry:** An outreach effort to support those challenged by food-insecurity, with a history of service dating back 35 years.
- **Arlington Community Foundation:** From scholarship programs to grants to research projects, the Arlington Community Foundation for 30-plus years has focused on key issues affecting the community, and brought together stakeholders to address them.
- **Kiwanis District Foundation:** The district foundation provides grants to organizations across the region, and serves as a conduit between local clubs and international efforts.
- **Kiwanis Children's Fund:** Across the globe, the Kiwanis Children's Fund targets its efforts on projects that improve the lives of youth in some of the world's most impoverished areas.

The Kiwanis Club of South Arlington welcomes new members and is eager to "meet you where you are" in terms of involvement level – the only key requirement of membership is a desire to support youth at the local, national and international levels.

For more information about Kiwanis International, see the Website at kiwanis.org. To connect with a member of the Kiwanis Club of South Arlington, contact:

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