

# Improve your club through training

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To foster the development of leadership skills and increase awareness about Rotary at the club level, the RI Board created a new optional club-level trainer position in November 2006.

After being appointed by the club president, the club-level trainer will work with the club president, the district training committee, the assistant governor, and the district governor to ensure that a club training program is adopted that meets the club's needs.

The club-level training program should include the following:

- Ensuring that club leaders attend district meetings
- Providing consistent and regular orientation for new members
- Offering ongoing educational opportunities for current members
- Creating a leadership skills development program for all members

In addition to the club-level trainer position, the RI Board has also created the leadership development program. This program aims to strengthen the leadership skills of club members. The development program is typically organized by the club trainer, club president, assistant governor, and/or district training committee. The following topics are recommended:

- Communication skills
- Leadership styles
- Leading and motivating volunteers
- Mentoring
- Time management
- Goal setting and accountability
- Strategic planning
- Ethics (Four-Way Test)
- Building consensus
- Teamwork

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