

RYDA

INFORMATION FOR OUR ROTARY PARTNERS IN VICTORIA

In FY23 37,400 students took part in RYDA throughout Australia

RYDA is the leading and only national road safety education program for youth in Australia, providing young people with the skills and strategies they need to stay safe on the roads.

RYDA is the largest Rotary-supported youth program in Australia

No other education program provides Rotary with more opportunity to engage directly with young people in their communities. In South Australia, a growing number of schools are seeking to have their students participate in RYDA, and we need Rotary support to make this happen.

What is RYDA

Created in Australia for senior high schools, RYDA gives students a unique opportunity to set road safety goals and build strategies alongside the friends they will most likely be riding with, as drivers or passengers.

At the workshop, students attend six interactive sessions at a dedicated venue over the course of a school day. Back in the classroom, we give teachers everything they need to continue the learning throughout the school year.



Teachers

98%

of the classroom teachers we surveyed believe RYDA should be compulsory for senior high school students.



Students

95%

of the students we surveyed said they are likely or very likely to apply the things they learned at RYDA as a passenger or driver in the future.

Why should every young person participate in RYDA?

Over the past 10 years, 189 young South Australians lost their lives, and a further on roads. Despite making up less than 10% of the total population, 20% of road deaths were 17-25 year-olds.

Many times this number were injured, with over 7,000 young road users hospitalised, many with life-long physical and emotional wounds. Road trauma not only effects the individuals directly involved but their families and communities.

Whether they are the driver or a passenger, every young person contributes to the safety of the road users around them - RYDA helps young people make positive contributions from any seat of the car.

How your Rotary Club can get involved

In South Australia Rotarians run RYDA for their local schools. This includes:

- securing participation from schools (RSE have templates you can send to schools)
- recruiting local facilitators (RSE will look after training)
- identifying a suitable venue for the workshop (RSE have a guide for this)
- raising funds to offset participation costs for students to attend (development costs are subsidised by RSE's Corporate Partners, and RSE can support in lodging funding applications)
- volunteering during RYDA workshop days.

Road Safety Education Limited (RSE) are here to help, with full training for RYDA coordinators and facilitators, a full RYDA implementation guide and comprehensive information on our dedicated Rotary Partner Portal.

Next step

To get your club involved, contact either:

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