

ROTAGRAM

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Thank You President Laila Sanchez
for a wonderful year.

Welcome In-Coming President
Jeff Nickell.

End to a Great Year



President **Laila Sanchez** wrapped up a wonderful year with a backyard Demotion-Transition dinner. Catered by California Grill, the food was delicious, and the drinks were plentiful.

A big thank you to Laila and her outgoing board: Jeff Nickell, Vice President, Irene Muro & Marci Ellison, Secretaries, Owen Newcomer, Treasurer, Jeremy Furguiele, Past President, and Directors Bruce Lindsay, Gina Lopez, Maria Martinez-Poulin, Dennis Sargent, and Trini Urtiz.

Laila started her year with a bang: our Community & Youth Awards, in which we gave local charities \$17,050, and Quartermania, a fundraising night at the DoubleTree. She pioneered two exciting new projects: Adopt a Family (gift card) and Adopt a Classroom (we built new storage shelving). 2025 continued with our annual Student Speech Contest, the Corazon Mexico Home Build in Tecate, and Rotary's Walk for Mental Wellness fundraiser. Quite a year.

Your 2025-2026 Board



President **Jeff Nickell's** team, from left to right, Owen Newcomer, Treasurer, Trini Urtiz, Director, Laila Sanchez, Past President, Bruce Lindsay, Director, Sierra Roberts, Vice President, Jeff Nickell, President, Rett Rasmussen, Director, and Jeromy Furguiele, Director. Filling out the 2025-2026 team, not pictured, Marci Ellison, Secretary, Dennis Sargent and Linda Fierro, Directors.

Jeff previewed a year of building on Laila's success: expanding Quartermania, launching new initiatives, and recruiting new members—and having fun. A survey will soon show up at inboxes, with Jeff asking members for advice on how Whittier Rotary might advance Rotary's theme for next year: Unite for Good.

On Whittier Rotary's Foundation side, the team for 2025-2026 will be led by Laila Sanchez, Jeff Nickell, Sierra Roberts, Owen Newcomer, and Jeromy Furguiele.

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