

## Sam Maddali Rotary District 7475

Sam Maddali was born and raised in Vijaywada, India. After moving to New York, he and his wife decided to find a place in the suburbs to raise their family and settled in Roxbury, NJ. Together they have formed a wonderful family with two grown daughters, Navya and Vineeta Maddali, both pursuing a career in pharmacy and medicine respectively. A pharmacist by trade, the family acquired Valley Pharmacy, the longest-operating business in Roxbury. Looking to connect with other local businesses, Sam soon joined the Roxbury Rotary Club and has been an active member ever since. Having arrived in this country with basically nothing and finding success, Sam always looks for a way to pay back his good fortune. Rotary gave him the opportunity to do so.

Sam's Rotary membership achievements include being named a Paul Harris Fellow+8 and a Level 2 Major Donor. He is a Level 5 member of the Rotary Bequest Society. He sits on the TRF Cadre of Technical Advisers from 2018 to Present. Sam has had the honor to serve as Assistant Governor under PDG John Wilson, PDG Ray Freaney and DG M. Ann Walko

Sam is a past president of the Roxbury Rotary Club and used this opportunity to focus on international issues facing Rotary. Sam has secured numerous global grants for causes including the donation of dialysis machines, operations and vocational training for leprosy patients and eyesight saving surgeries in 17 countries through the Eye Foundation of America. However, the cause that is dearest to Sam is Gift of Life serving as a Trustee for fifteen years.

Outside of Rotary, Sam is an entrepreneur with a diverse portfolio of businesses ranging from small business ownership, group purchasing organizations focused on independent pharmacies, and real estate development.

Beyond his business ventures and Rotary projects, Sam keeps busy with his involvement in many clubs and charities including the North American Telugu Society, India Youth Fund, and 200 Club of Morris. He actively contributes to local organizations by donating to area social services and food pantries. His family has formed scholarships for community high school seniors and the Maddali Endowment Fund for students pursuing degrees in pharmacy sciences through Northeastern University. In fact, Sam has just been nominated to the Bouvé Advisory Council at Northeastern University to provide expert advice and feedback to help drive strategic goals at both Bouvé College and within the Northeastern infrastructure.

Throughout his career, Sam has been bestowed many honors including being awarded the 2018

New Jersey Pharmacist of the Year award for his advocacy for the rights of independent pharmacy. Sam is a frequent guest speaker and panelist at various business events throughout the country. Charity and entrepreneurship have been the forefront of Sam's journey thus far and will continue to guide his involvement as District Governer in the near future.