



Laurie Menzel is a Major Gifts Officer for The Rotary Foundation, Zone 33. Laurie has over 15 years' experience in the Nonprofit sector working for a variety of nonprofits. She earned a master's degree in Non-Profit Management from Regis University and the Certified Fund-Raising Executive (CFRE) certification.

Through challenging nonprofit leadership positions and business ownership, she gained a solid background in financial oversight, strategic planning, volunteer management, and fund development. She has led successful large scale fundraising events and trained boards in the importance of a culture of philanthropy, however individual giving is her passion. These experiences give her a strong focus on volunteer and team-based approaches to working with donors, all with the objective of meeting the donors' philanthropic goals.

She was a Jazzercise Franchise owner for over 13 years, operating multiple locations both in the US and abroad. She has a genuine love of fitness, especially teaching youth the benefits of exercise and healthy eating.

Laurie's Rotary Foundation area of responsibility includes six Districts which cover Virginia, West Virginia, Maryland, Washington DC, Delaware, and part of Tennessee. Laurie works from her home office in Alexandria, Virginia, and travels throughout the area to meet individually with donors.

She is a Rotarian in the Rotary E-Club of Global Peacebuilders in District 7610 and has served in a variety of club positions. She and her husband, Ralph, also a Rotarian, live in Alexandria VA, after spending 18 years in various overseas locations.