



## **GROW: A guide to chartering Key Clubs**

Starting a Key Club at your school or in your community is as easy as securing the four basic necessities:

### **SITE AND SPONSOR**

Key Clubs can be built at any high school, community center, church or anywhere else teenagers meet! Look for local Kiwanis clubs and seek their sponsorship. If they deny, don't worry; Key Clubs can always be chartered and grow successfully without Kiwanis sponsorship. Don't forget to find an adult advisor to sign on to your new club.

### **MEMBERS**

The heart of every Key Club is its membership base. These are the dedicated individuals who will do the service Key Club International has become famous for. Fifteen chartering members are required, but expect that fewer than half of the original members will graduate after the first year.

### **CHARTER**

Obtaining a charter to become part of Key Club International is now easier than ever. Fees range from US\$400–600 in the United States and Canada, and vary worldwide. Find the necessary paperwork and additional information online at [www.keyclub.org/startclub](http://www.keyclub.org/startclub).

With charter in hand, there are a few final steps you should complete to ensure the long-term success of your club:

### **TRAIN**

Without a clear example of club leadership nearby, it's important to have your club's chartering officers well trained in the beginning of their terms in office. Visit [www.keyclub.org/fad/gov/cbd](http://www.keyclub.org/fad/gov/cbd) and contact your lieutenant governor to start the year off strong.

### **PLAN**

Welcome to the world's oldest and largest high school service-leadership organization! Put your charter to good use doing service to build your home, school and community. Tips for planning and project ideas can be found on [www.keyclub.org](http://www.keyclub.org).

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