

Sister City Agreement

between

Sondershausen,
Thuringia, Germany

and

Rolla,
Missouri, USA

"Shaping Our Future Through Transatlantic Cooperation"

Transatlantic ties and friendship play a significant role in ensuring a peaceful and strong global development. As the states of the European Union merge and build towards dynamic cooperation, transatlantic relations shall be promoted and strengthened in similar ways.

For this reason, Sondershausen, Thuringia, and Rolla, Missouri conclude the following agreement: To encourage, develop and enhance the cooperation among our citizens and to promote international dialogue and understanding through alliances and friendship.

The partners agree on the following goals:

- To support projects for children and youths, as well as sport projects
- To promote cooperation of cultural and educational institutions
- To strengthen the municipal democratic structures by learning from each other
- To foster exchange of experiences in administration, particularly with regard to civic engagement
- To enhance communication regarding environmental issues and the protection of natural resources
- To work towards identifying and promoting cooperation between trade, business, handicraft, and industry

This agreement's principal target is to establish friendly and open contacts between the citizens, clubs, associations, and other institutions of our cities. Serving the greater goal of tolerance and democracy, this sister city partnership intends to do so by encouraging the free exchange of ideas, information, opinions, and experiences.



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