



District grants offer clubs and districts flexibility in carrying out activities supporting the Foundation Mission. Districts are encouraged to distribute these grant funds for relatively short-term activities, either local or international.

District grants fund smaller, short-term activities that address needs in both your local community and communities worldwide. Each district gets to choose which activities it will fund with these grants.

Districts can request matching funds of their District Designated Fund (DDF) in one annual block grant. Districts are responsible for administering the activities undertaken with these funds. They may disperse these grant funds at their discretion for district- or club-sponsored new, innovative and sustainable activities. The Rotary District 6600 online grant application can be found here: <http://rotaryfoundation6600.org>

The grant process and requirements have changed, so be sure to review the guidelines and scoring process.

Due Date for first round - District grant applications are due no later than **August 1st, 2018**. If all funds are not awarded, a second round will be open. No funds will be distributed until all funds are awarded.

District Match –

Local Grant - The district match for Local Projects is \$1.00 for every \$2.00.

- *Example* - a project that is \$9,000 can receive \$3,000 in district grant funds + \$6,000 other funds.

International Grant – The district match for International Projects is \$1.00 for every \$1.00.

- *Example* – a project that is \$9,000 can receive \$4,500 in district grant funds + \$4,500 other funds.

Requirements and Guidelines

All activities funded with district grant funds must adhere to the eligibility requirements set forth in the terms and conditions for Rotary Foundation grants.

Districts must be qualified by the Foundation to receive district grant funds.

District grants may be used to fund a variety of district and club projects and activities, including:

- Projects that are congruent with Rotary's areas of focus.
- Humanitarian projects and disaster recovery efforts.
- Scholarships for any level, length of time, location, or area of study.
- Vocational training teams, which are groups of professionals who travel abroad either to teach local professionals about their field or to learn more about it themselves.

District Grant requirements:

- Grants must be submitted electronically through DacDb. (NO Paper submissions will be accepted)
- At least two (2) members of the Club must participate in the online grant webinar. (www.rotary.org/grants)
 - It is recommended that the Club President, President-Elect, another officer, and or Rotarian that will be coordinating the project participate in the webinar.
- Non District Grant Funds must come through the club.
- Program must be sustainable after the funding period (not an ongoing program funded by District).
- Program must have a component for Rotarian participation.
- Program should benefit many in the community locally or internationally.

- Goals should be clearly identified and measurable.
- Grant funds must be spent within the grant year.
 - Recipients are required to submit a year-end report (May).
- No expenses incurred prior to grant approval will be reimbursable with District Grant funds.

Grant applications will be scored by the committee based on the following:

- Project Narrative (50 points)
 - What is the project? What Rotary area of service does it address?
 - What is the need for the project? How was this need determined? Provide data.
 - Who will it serve?
 - How many will it serve?
 - Project timeline to include meetings, project work, ordering materials, submission of reports, etc.
 - Specify the goal of the project and how the goal will be measured
 - eg: By December 2018, 1000 parents of newborns in the service area will receive a new book and literature regarding the importance of reading prior to being discharged from the hospital.
- Sustainability (10 points)
 - Explain how the program will be sustained beyond District Grant Funding.
 - Has this project previously been funded with District Funds?
 - Priority will be given to projects that have not been previously funded by the District for the club.
- Community Partners (10 points)
 - List all project partners and their level of involvement.
 - What are their roles?
- Club Foundation Giving (20 points)
 - Has your Club contributed to Rotary International?
 - The level of giving will determine the amount of points assigned to this category.
- Rotarian Participation (10 points)
 - Explain how Rotarians will be involved in this project?
 - Eg: committee involvement, project oversight, hands on volunteer work, marketing, etc.