

DISTRICT 6980

2026 -2027 DISTRICT GRANTS WORKSHOP

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

- Club Representatives
- Foundation Committee
- District Leadership
- Guests

DISTRICT 6980 FOUNDATION COMMITTEE

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FOUNDATION CHAIR (DRFC)

(OPEN) – INTERNATIONAL SERVICE CHAIR

SANJAY DESHPANDE – GLOBAL GRANT SUB-
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RON JANSSEN – ENDOWMENT CHAIR

KATHRYN FARYNOWSKI – DDF ADMINISTRATOR

TODAY'S TOPICS

- District Grants Overview
- District Grant Considerations
- Funding
- Grant Management Details
- Global Grant DDF Transfers



GRANT TYPES

- District grants
- Global grants
- Disaster response grants
- Programs of Scale grants



DISTRICT GRANTS

- Fund small-scale, short-term activities that address needs in the community and communities around the world
- Align with the Foundation's mission to help Rotary members advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace by improving health, providing quality education, improving the environment, and alleviating poverty
- Issued annually to the district

GLOBAL GRANTS

- Fund larger, longer projects with sustainable, measurable results
- Align with our areas of focus
- Include international partners
- Have a US\$30,000 minimum budget
- Receive an 80% match from the World Fund for DDF



DISTRICT GRANTS – THE BIG PICTURE

- District grants give Rotarians freedom in determining how to best spend funds donated to The Rotary Foundation in their district.
- Each Rotary year, **districts may apply for one district grant**, which can be used to support one or more projects, based on that district's interests and needs.
- The Rotary Foundation funds district grants with District Designated Funds (DDF). Each year, the district may request up to half of its available DDF, which in turn represents **half of the district's Annual Fund donations from three years earlier**. This system, known as SHARE, enables Rotarians to benefit from the short-term investment of their donation dollars.



Donation to Annual Fund **SHARE**

Donation is invested for
3 years; growth supports
Foundation operations.



SPENDING DECISIONS SHARED

World Fund
(Trustee discretion)



GLOBAL
GRANTS AND
PROGRAMS*

**District
Designated
Funds (DDF)**
(District discretion)



DISTRICT GRANTS GLOBAL GRANTS

*Includes PolioPlus, Rotary Peace Centers, other districts,
and the Endowment Fund (areas of focus)

SHARE FUND DONATIONS

- The big picture

SHARE FUND DONATION SOURCES

Club Member contributions to the **Annual Fund - Share**

- Every Rotarian Every Year contributions - \$25 Annually
- Sustaining member contributions - \$100 annually
- Paul Harris Fund Contributions - \$1,000
- Paul Harris Society Contributions - \$1,000 Annually
- Major donation Member(\$10,000 or greater) commitments to the Annual Share Program Fund. Benefactor and Bequest commitments, when exercised

YOUR CLUB'S DDF – BEGINS WITH DISTRICT ALLOCATION

- Starting point - Annual Fund-SHARE contributions from our District Clubs/Members in Rotary Year minus 3
 - The Rotary Foundation retains 50% (World Fund), returns 50% to the District as DDF
 - 5% retained by TRF for administrative expenses
 - 2026-27 DDF based on 2023-24 contributions
- D6980 uses a DDF share program
 - 40% to individual clubs for District Grants or Global Grant Transfers
 - 10% to District
 - 50% Global Grants supported by District Clubs
 - District obligation of 20% of total AF to PolioPlus
- Club allocations determined from Rotary Year minus 3 giving
 - Posted on DACDB under “Foundation Documents”
 - Available balances updated periodically as applications received/approved

INDIVIDUAL CLUB GIVING – 2023-2024

Club No	Name	Jul 2023	Aug 2023	Sep 2023	Oct 2023	Nov 2023	Dec 2023	Jan 2024	Feb 2024	Mar 2024	Apr 2024	May 2024	Jun 2024	Year to Date	ACTUAL 2026-2027
4386	Altamonte Springs, FL	270.00	270.00	1,085.00	185.00	270.00	5,185.00	270.00	270.00	2,195.00	270.00	1,270.00	2,360.00	13,900.00	5,560.00
4387	Apopka, FL	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,525.00	4,525.00	1,810.00
71934	Avalon Park-Orlando, FL	1,025.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,025.00	410.00
85202	Brazil Orlando, FL	580.59	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	580.59	232.00
26967	Celebration, FL	1,189.26	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	825.00	0.00	2,014.26	806.00
23458	College Park (Orlando), FL	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,400.00	5,400.00	2,160.00
4391	Dr. Phillips, FL	170.00	70.00	70.00	1,270.00	20.00	70.00	170.00	75.00	50.00	150.00	50.00	9,100.00	11,265.00	4,506.00
90180	Horizon West, FL	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,875.00	0.00	2,875.00	1,150.00
84196	International Drive-Orlando, FL	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	1,500.00	2,600.00	1,040.00
4397	Kissimmee, FL	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	6,100.00	0.00	6,100.00	2,440.00
50061	Kissimmee Bay, FL	0.00	50.00	0.00	819.46	0.00	5,112.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	856.00	175.00	3,215.00	10,227.96	4,091.00
23293	Kissimmee West, FL	100.00	85.00	85.00	85.00	185.00	85.00	85.00	85.00	85.00	85.00	85.00	85.00	1,135.00	454.00
4398	Lake Buena Vista, FL	0.00	0.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	850.00	100.00	683.00	100.00	0.00	5,600.00	200.00	7,833.00	3,133.00
4393	Lake County Golden Triangle, FL	0.00	300.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,735.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	6,035.00	2,414.00
4399	Lake Mary, FL	400.00	400.00	971.00	0.00	0.00	1,000.00	1,325.00	825.00	100.00	8,500.00	0.00	2,184.00	15,705.00	6,282.00
87936	Lake Nona, FL	223.88	650.00	100.00	100.00	851.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	350.00	600.00	100.00	100.00	3,374.88	1,350.00
83097	Lake Nona-Orlando, FL	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
4400	Leesburg, FL	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	640.00	640.00	256.00
4401	Leesburg-Sunrise, FL	0.00	200.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	880.00	1,080.00	432.00
4403	Maitland, FL	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00	2,600.00	0.00	0.00	1,475.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	6,075.00	2,430.00
4408	FL	50.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	150.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	200.00	80.00
4409	Orlando, FL	1,619.00	1,115.00	284.00	84.00	294.00	1,944.00	984.79	694.00	444.00	1,994.00	494.00	694.00	10,644.79	4,258.00
4411	Orlando Breakfast, FL	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	800.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	800.00	320.00
86704	Orlando Dragons, FL	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,000.00	400.00
73058	Orlando-Evening, FL	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	227.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	227.00	91.00
4412	Oviedo, FL	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	910.00	10.00	4,110.00	10.00	10.00	5,120.00	2,048.00
29714	Pet Rescues Orlando, FL	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	750.00	750.00	300.00
83962	Poinciana, FL	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,175.00	2,175.00	870.00
4416	Sanford, FL	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,600.00	100.00	25.00	25.00	0.00	0.00	200.00	0.00	1,950.00	780.00
4417	Sanford (Breakfast), FL	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	60.00	10.00	2,010.00	10.00	2,120.00	848.00
4388	Seminole County-Central, FL	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	300.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	300.00	120.00
4418	Seminole County South, FL	50.07	150.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	2,450.00	0.00	0.00	3,000.07	1,200.00
83493	Seminole County Sunset, FL	0.00	1,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,000.00	0.00	0.00	1,000.00	4,000.00	1,600.00
4419	South Lake County (Clermont), FL	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
4415	St. Cloud, FL	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,470.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,940.00	0.00	0.00	6,908.00	13,318.00	5,327.00
31697	The Villages, FL	1,269.00	269.00	269.00	504.00	354.00	4,354.00	14,654.00	7,369.00	7,304.00	5,108.71	354.00	354.00	42,162.71	16,865.00
84594	The Villages-Evening, FL	1,825.00	1,075.00	75.00	325.00	6,025.00	50.00	1,300.00	50.00	3,075.00	75.00	275.00	10,075.00	24,225.00	9,690.00
62612	The Villages-Noon, FL	122.44	2,044.00	804.00	2,344.00	919.00	1,054.00	154.00	54.00	1,254.00	3,054.00	54.00	954.00	12,811.44	5,125.00
4426	Windermere, FL	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,890.00	4,990.00	1,996.00
4427	Winter Garden, FL	0.00	0.00	425.00	0.00	0.00	1,251.00	255.00	0.00	0.00	250.00	3,850.00	2,300.00	8,331.00	3,332.00
4428	Winter Park, FL	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,000.00	0.00	2,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	7,000.00	2,800.00
4429	Winter Park Breakfast, FL	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	99.92	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	99.92	40.00
Total for Rotary Year 2023-24		10,004.24	7,788.00	5,428.00	15,046.46	10,778.00	24,475.42	22,067.79	11,300.00	28,379.00	27,612.71	24,427.00	60,309.00	247,615.62	99,046.00

2026-2027 District DDF Tracking Form

Last Updated January 13, 2026

Club NBR	Club Name	2023-2024 APF Giving	2026-2027 DDF	
		Total	Allocated	Available
4386	Altamonte Springs, FL	13,900	5,560	5,560
4387	Apopka, FL	4,525	1,810	1,810
71934	Avalon Park-Orlando, FL	1,025	410	410
26967	Celebration, FL	2,014	806	806
23458	College Park (Orlando), FL	5,400	2,160	2,160
4391	Dr. Phillips, FL	11,265	4,506	4,506
90180	Horizon West, FL	2,875	1,150	1,150
84196	International Drive-Orlando, FL	2,600	1,040	1,040
4397	Kissimmee, FL	6,100	2,440	2,440
50061	Kissimmee Bay, FL	10,228	4,091	4,091
23293	Kissimmee West, FL	1,135	454	454
4398	Lake Buena Vista, FL	7,833	3,133	3,133
4393	Lake County Golden Triangle, FL	6,035	2,414	2,414
4399	Lake Mary, FL	15,705	6,282	6,282
87936	Lake Nona, FL	3,375	1,350	1,350
4400	Leesburg, FL	640	256	256
4401	Leesburg-Sunrise, FL	1,080	432	432
4403	Maitland, FL	6,075	2,430	2,430
4408	Orange County East-Winter Park, FL	200	80	80
4409	Orlando, FL	10,645	4,258	4,258
4411	Orlando Breakfast, FL	800	320	320
4412	Oviedo, FL	5,120	2,048	2,048
29714	Pet Rescues Orlando, FL	750	300	300
83962	Poinciana, FL	2,175	870	870
4416	Sanford, FL	1,950	780	780
4417	Sanford (Breakfast), FL	2,120	848	848
4388	Seminole County-Central, FL	300	120	120
83493	Seminole County Sunset, FL	4,000	1,600	1,600
4415	St. Cloud, FL	13,318	5,327	5,327
31697	The Villages, FL	42,163	16,865	16,865
84594	The Villages-Evening, FL	24,225	9,690	9,690
62612	The Villages-Noon, FL	12,811	5,125	5,125
4426	Windermere, FL	4,990	1,996	1,996
4427	Winter Garden, FL	8,331	3,332	3,332
4428	Winter Park, FL	7,000	2,800	2,800

DDF “TRACKING FORM”

- Individual Club Available Funds
- Updated periodically as applications approved
- Available on DACdb – Foundation Documents

DISTRICT QUALIFICATION

- District Governor & District Rotary Foundation Chair must complete the qualification process online annually
- DRFC must complete the required mandatory course work in the Learning Center
- Agree to implement the memorandum of understanding (MOU)
- Conduct grant management seminars (District & Global) for clubs

CLUB QUALIFICATION

- District Grant Management Seminar attendance (mandatory)
- Agree to implement the club memorandum of understanding (MOU)
- Complete any other district requirements

DISTRICT GRANTS (ACTIVITIES)

- Activities that address needs in your community and communities abroad
 - Small-scale, short term
 - No minimum budget (normally less than \$30k)
 - Awarded annually
 - Aligned with the Foundation mission
 - In one of the Rotary 7 Areas of Focus
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- NOTE: The collection of all approved Club applications is deemed as the “District Grant” for the Rotary Year

AREAS OF FOCUS

- Peacebuilding and conflict prevention
- Disease prevention and treatment
- Water, sanitation, and hygiene
- Maternal and child health
- Basic education and literacy
- Community economic development
- Environment



YOUR CLUB'S GRANT CONSIDERATIONS

- How are ideas brought to the club?
- What new ideas are being explored?
- Have the community needs changed?
- Has our club focus changed?
- Are legacy projects continuing to deliver impact (and how do you evaluate)?
- To what extent is the club engaged vs. individual member?
- Should we consider using funds for Global Grant (DDF Transfer)
- Is the grant making a difference?
- ????

EXAMPLE ACTIVITIES ELIGIBLE FOR DISTRICT GRANT FUNDING

- Local or international service projects and related travel
- Scholarships for any educational level
- Vocational training teams (groups of professionals who teach others about a particular field or learn more about their own) and related travel
- Humanitarian projects, including service travel and disaster recovery efforts
- Grant management seminars
- Rotary members' participation in, and travel to and from, Rotary project fairs, to help clubs and districts find project partners
- Projects and activities in countries where Rotary has clubs as well as in areas where we do not
- Rotary Youth Exchange, RYLA, Rotary Friendship Exchange, Rotaract, or Interact programs
- Community assessments
- Microcredit activities
- Campaigns to build awareness to the presence of land mines

OTHER KEY GRANT REQUIREMENTS

- Active participation by Rotary members
- Protect the safety and well-being of all minors who participate, and comply with Rotary International's youth protection policies
- Demonstrate sensitivity to the traditions and culture of the area where a project will be carried out
- Comply with the Conflict of Interest Policy for Program Participants
- Adhere to Rotary's policies for the use of the name "Rotary" and Rotary logos, emblems, and graphics
- Include signage on or near project sites that identifies the grant sponsors and The Rotary Foundation
- Adhere to Rotary's Privacy Statement for Personal Data
- Reviewed and approved by the Foundation before they are implemented. If changes to the spending plan are necessary after a grant has been approved, you need to submit a request through the district grant report section in the Grant Center.

INELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES

- Discriminate against any group
- Promote a particular political or religious viewpoint
- Perform purely religious functions
- Provide continuous or excessive support to any one person, entity, or community
- Expenses that are incurred, or activities that are in progress or already completed, before the grant is approved
- Contributions to The Rotary Foundation, PolioPlus, or another Foundation grant
- Purchases of land or buildings

CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Before a Rotary district, club, or member conducts business related to a grant-funded activity that involves a vendor being paid by a Rotary entity, a fair, transparent, and thorough request for proposals or a bidding process needs to be conducted to ensure that the best services are secured at a reasonable cost.

Possible conflicts of interest may arise when a Rotary entity is considering business in which funds will be paid to a member, a provider of goods or services that is owned or managed by a member, an honorary member, or the people listed above who are ineligible for Foundation grants.

DISTRICT 6980 CLUB GRANT PROCEDURES

- Send a representative to the District Grant training Workshop
- Submit signed District Grant application(s) by **May 30th, 2026**
 - Project details (to assure alignment with District Grant requirements)
 - Summary budget
 - Amount of DDF requested
 - Current and incoming President signatures
 - Letter from any cooperating partner
- Review and approval by District Grant Committee
- Begin activities and spending
 - **Note: Individual club approvals are not “final” until the entire District Grant consisting of all club/district activities is approved by TRF.**
- Submit final reports with all required documentation by **April 30th, 2027**
- Reimbursements paid following review and approval of documentation/receipts

DISTRICT GRANT APPLICATION

- Access the 2026-2027 District Grant Application from the Foundation Document Folder on DACdb
- [DISTRICT GRANT 2026-2027 APPLICATION](#)
- Submit to the District Grants e-mail district6980grants@yahoo.com
- Follow up on questions, concerns using district6980grants@yahoo.com
- Primary Contact will receive a copy of the approval (including the Final Report Form) from the DG Committee

DISTRICT GRANT LIFECYCLE (CONSOLIDATED CLUBS)

Application Phase

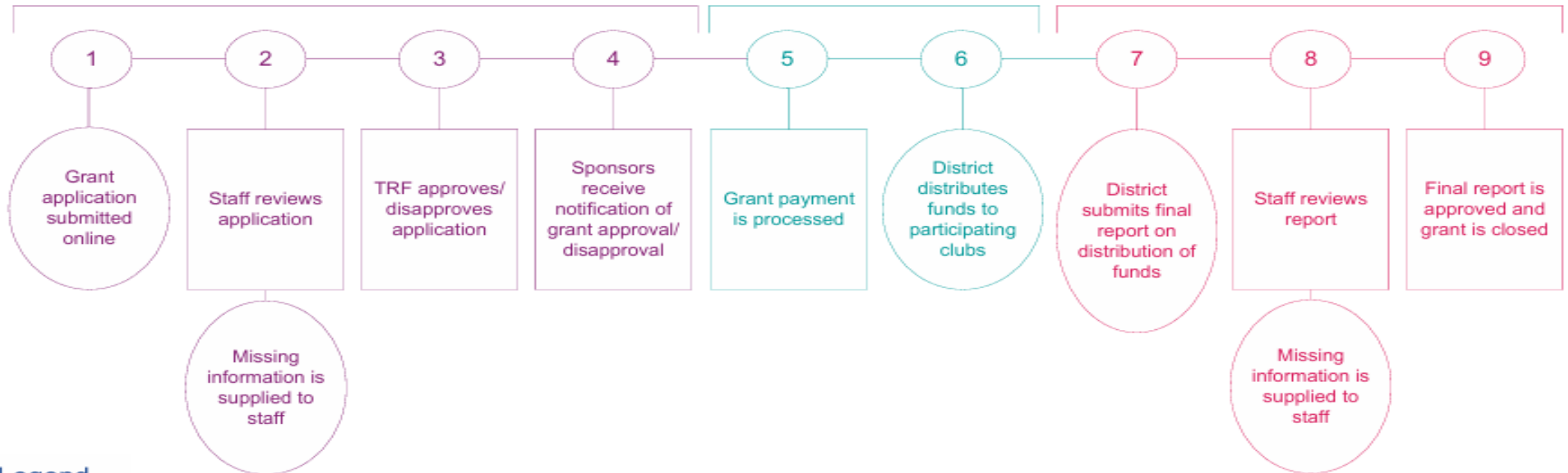
Applications are accepted during the planning and implementation years. Applications must be received before 15 May of the Rotary year for which the funds are requested (implementation year).

Payment Phase

Payment information is due by 15 May of implementation year. Funds will be released after 1 July of the implementation year once all payment requirements are fulfilled and the previous Rotary year's district grant is closed.

Reporting Phase

Final report documenting the disbursement of funds must be submitted to TRF within 12 months of receiving the payment, or within two months of the grant's total disbursement.



Legend

○ = Rotarian action

□ = TRF action

KEY DATES

- Submit completed, signed District Grant application by **May 30, 2026**
- Funds available for club payment/reimbursement January 2027 (dependent on TRF approval of consolidated District Grant)
- Final reports due April 30th, 2027

- Funds not requested by Clubs for District Grant after May 30, 2026 are available only for transfer to Global Grants
- Unused DDF will revert to district June 1st, 2027

FINAL REPORTS AND CLUB PAYMENT

- Final Report document is included with the Approval sent to Application Contact
- Receipts or cancelled checks (or similar) required for all spending UP TO THE AMOUNT OF THE GRANT!
 - Please do not include receipts for spending over the total DDF request
- Submit to District Grants e-mail district6980grants@yahoo.com
- Checks issued following verification of receipts (and District Grant approval by TRF)
- Checks sent to contact address on the Final Report form
- [Approval and Final Report](#) Form

DDF TRANSFERS AND GLOBAL GRANTS

- How to do a transfer

DDF TRANSFERS TO GLOBAL GRANTS

- Club DDF can be used for a District Grant, or for transfer to Global Grant, or any combination up to available funds
 - After May 30 District Grant end date, funds are only available for Global Grants
- DDF Transfers are NOT limited to Global Grants sponsored by clubs in the District
- The Foundation provides an 80 percent World Fund match for all DDF contributions

DDF TRANSFERS PROCEDURE

- Complete 2026-27 DDF Transfer Form (available on DACdb – Foundation Documents)
- Submit to the District Grants e-mail district6980grants@yahoo.com
- Follow up on questions, concerns using district6980grants@yahoo.com
- Primary Contact will receive a copy of the approval (including the Final Report Form) from the DG subcommittee
- The requesting Club is responsible for providing approvals to Global Grant lead

- DDF Transfers may be made until May 30, 2027

- [DDF Transfer Form](#)

DISTRICT SPONSORED GLOBAL GRANTS



GRANT STATISTICS

2024-25 ROTARY GRANT STATISTICS

District grants

468 grants

US\$29 million

Global grants

1,423 grants

US\$88.2 million

Disaster response grants

74 grants

US\$1.9 million

Programs of Scale grant

1 grant

US\$2 million



2025-26 DISTRICT GRANT STATISTICS (YTD)

District grants

20 Club Sponsored Grants

3 District Support Grants

\$64,000

DDF to Global Grants

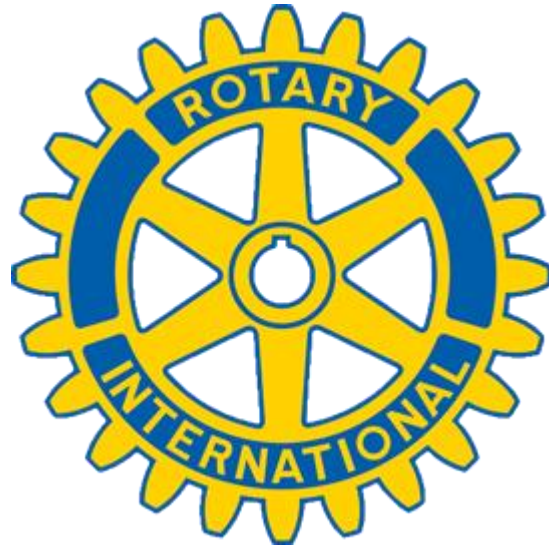
3 grants

\$18,000

Polio Plus

\$24,618





DISCUSSION, QUESTIONS

