Eligibility & Restriction Guidelines for Rotary Grants

This is not intended to replace the Rotary Grants Terms & Conditions; it is simply a reiteration of some highlights. It is recommended that the Rotary Grants Terms & Conditions be read in full.

All Foundation Grant activities need to:

1. Relate to the Foundation's mission.
   That mission is to help Rotarians contribute to advancing world understanding, goodwill, and peace by improving health, providing quality education, improving the environment, and alleviating poverty.
2. Include active participation from Rotarians
3. Exclude The Rotary Foundation or Rotary International from any liability beyond the amount funded by the grant
4. Comply with the laws of both the United States and the area where the grant will be carried out and cause no harm. If you sponsor projects in or plan travel to countries sanctioned by the U.S. Treasury Department's Office of Foreign Assets Control, you may need to supply more information.
5. Be reviewed and approved by the Foundation before being implemented. You can't use grants to reimburse clubs or districts for activities and expenses that are in progress or already completed. We encourage you to plan for activities before a grant is approved, but don't incur any expenses. If you want to alter a project after a grant is approved, District approval of those changes are required before they are carried out.
6. Demonstrate sensitivity to the traditions and culture of the area where a project will be carried out
7. Comply with the Conflict-of-Interest Policy for Program Participants as outlined in section 30.040. of The Rotary Foundation Code of Policies
8. Comply with Rotary International's policies for the use of the name "Rotary" and other Rotary logos, emblems, and graphics, as outlined in sections 34.040.6. and 34.040.11. of the Rotary Code of Policies.
9. Include signs on or near projects that identify the role of the grant sponsors and The Rotary Foundation, as outlined in section 40.010.2. of The Rotary Foundation Code of Policies and in accordance with Rotary's Voice and Visual Identity Guidelines.
10. Follow Rotary's Privacy Statement for Personal Data outlined in section 26.080. of the Rotary Code of Policies. Don't include the personal data (name, age or date of birth, or other identifying information) of grant beneficiaries or images of them in grant applications and reports unless the Foundation requests it and you have the written consent of the beneficiary (or their parent or legal guardian). Inappropriately including that personal data can cause delays in the grant process while we ensure compliance with Rotary's Privacy Policy.

District grants

In addition to the eligibility criteria listed above, district grants:
1. Support local and international projects, scholarships, vocational training teams, and related travel
2. May fund scholar and vocational training team orientation and grant management seminars
3. May pay for travel to and participation in Rotary project fairs to help clubs and districts find partners
4. Fund projects and activities both in countries where Rotary has clubs and in areas where we do not, and in geographic areas where permitted by law and in accordance with Foundation policies.
5. May be used to support Rotary Youth Exchange, RYLA, Rotary Friendship Exchange (with vocational emphasis), Rotaract, Interact, and New Generations Service Exchange programs
6. May fund the costs associated with conducting community assessments
7. May fund construction and renovation
8. When paying for project expenses, clubs must use club funds first; once club funds are fully spent, clubs may use grant funds to pay for the balance of project expenses. Any unspent funds remaining at the conclusion of a project are considered Grant Funds and must be returned to the District.

RESTRICTIONS

Grants cannot be used to unfairly discriminate against any group, promote a particular political or religious viewpoint, support purely religious functions, support activities that involve abortion or that are undertaken

solely for sex determination, fund the purchase of weapons or ammunition, or serve as a new contribution to the Foundation or to another Foundation grant.

Grants also cannot fund:
1. Continuous or excessive support of any one beneficiary, entity, or community
2. The establishment of a foundation, permanent trust, or long-term interest-bearing account. Grant funds can be used to establish a microcredit fund if the sponsors comply with the requirements detailed in section XI of the Rotary Grants Terms & Conditions.
3. The purchase of land or buildings
4. Fundraising activities
5. Expenses related to Rotary events such as district conferences, conventions, institutes, anniversary celebrations, entertainment activities, or project ceremonies
6. Public relations initiatives, unless they are essential to carrying out the project
7. Project signs that cost more than $1,000
8. The operating, administrative, or indirect program expenses of another organization, except for expenses allowed within the project management allocation for global grants
9. Unrestricted cash donations to a beneficiary or cooperating organization
10. Activities for which the cost has already been incurred
11. Transportation of vaccines over national borders without prior approval of appropriate government and regulatory authorities in the originating and recipient countries
12. Travel to National Immunization Days
13. Immunizations that consist solely of the polio vaccine
14. The purchase of COVID-19 vaccines
15. Study at a university that hosts a Rotary Peace Center in the same or similar academic program as Rotary Peace Fellows
16. Projects that require a person to work without pay. Projects should instead strive to reinforce labor rights and fair wage practices. If beneficiaries are required to provide sweat equity their explicit consent is required.
17. Projects that require work from someone below the country's legal working age, or under age 16 if the law doesn't specify.