**Application for District 6450 Supported Environmental Service Projects 2023-24**

 **Mary Onorad, Environmental Service Chair**

We want to demonstrate to our communities how Rotarians value the environment and want to create hope to save the environment for generations to come. Awards will be $250-$500.

 To qualify for funds, your club must meet the following criteria:

* Spending must occur between July 1,2023 and June 1, 2024
* Projects must include direct involvement/hands-on participation by Rotarians. Check writing without Rotarian participation is not permitted.
* Project must be publicized somehow – social media, print media, clubs/district websites and promote Rotary as People of Action, and Creating Hope in the World.
* Provide copies of Proof of Payment for spending to cover the grant amount (paid invoice/receipt)
* If the project is already completed after July 1, 2023, and you can provide a summary and receipts, it will be considered since we were just informed of this grant.
* When project is complete, write a summary and include photos for our District newsletter and website.

Consider collaborating with another club, your town, park district, or schools for this project. Some ideas could include stream or land clean up, recycling project, plant a native pollinator community garden, tree planting, composting, water barrels, & purchasing environmental books for a school library.

**The deadline to submit is March 1, 2024.** The grant is on a first come basis so please submit early. Fill out the following information and email it to: maryonorad@gmail.com. You may call me with any questions, (630) 561-2374.

Thank you,

Mary Onorad, District 6450 Environmental Service Chair

**Please include the following information for consideration:**

* Project Name, dates, and timeline
* Name of Club
* President and contact information
* Environmental/Service Project Chair (if applicable) with contact information
* Please describe your project and its involvement of members, the community, or other Rotary clubs
* Total project budget and amount of funds requested
* Mailing address and who to make the check payable to