

ROTARY DISTRICT 6860

District Grant Guidelines 2014-2015

The three-year pilot phase of Future Vision concluded in 2012-2013 and the new Rotary Foundation grant model went into effect on July 1, 2013. This funding model focuses on three grant types – district, global, and packaged. The new grant structure is both more efficient and sustainable, and will enable The Rotary Foundation to make a greater impact around the globe.

WHAT ARE DISTRICT GRANTS?

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.

You can use district grants to fund a variety of activities, including:

- Humanitarian projects, including service travel and disaster recovery efforts
- Scholarships for any level, length of time, location, or area of study
- Vocational training of any team size or timespan

Clubs within District 6860 must be qualified in order to apply for district grant funding. To meet the qualification requirements clubs must do the following:

- Club President or his/her designee attends a grant management workshop. Club members involved with district grant projects are also encouraged to attend.
- Submit completed and signed MOU
- Contribute to the Annual Programs Fund of The Rotary Foundation

Clubs must qualify annually to apply for district grants. Grant management workshops will be held on May 3 immediately following District Training Assembly. Additional grant management workshops will be held on May 24 and June 7. Refer to the district website calendar for details on location and times. **All clubs applying for district grants must complete qualification requirements by July 31.**

HOW DO I APPLY FOR A DISTRICT GRANT?

Once a club has fulfilled the qualification requirements, a district grant application may be submitted to the District Grants Subcommittee chair. **The deadline for district grant applications is August 1, 2014.** A small contingency may be established for consideration of grant applications received after August 1. Funding for applications received after August 1 will be based upon availability of contingency funding. Clubs may submit one or more applications, but a cumulative **maximum amount that a club may request should not exceed \$4,000.**

HOW ARE DISTRICT GRANTS FUNDED?

Districts may use up to 50 percent of their District Designated Fund to receive one District Grant annually. Districts receive this funding as a lump sum, which they can then distribute to their clubs. Applications are reviewed by the Grants Committee which includes the Chair of the Grants Subcommittee, District Foundation Coordinator and District Governor. The Grants Subcommittee Chair may identify additional Rotarians to review and make recommendations on funding of district grants.

District grants will be awarded based on the following:

- Club has fully met the qualification requirements
- Club has no outstanding reports for district grants in previous years
- Application meets the terms and conditions for use of TRF funding for district grants
- Club per capita giving to the Annual Programs Fund of The Rotary Foundation for 2013-2014

***Please note that funding may not be available to fully fund every grant application. Priority for fully funding requests will be given to clubs that have a \$100 or greater per capita giving to the Annual Fund in 2013-2014. Applications should be designed such that if full funding is not awarded, the project can still be completed in total or in part.**

REPORTING REQUIREMENT

Final reports for district grants are due within two months of project completion. All district grants must be completed and reported on **prior to June 30, 2015**. Clubs should maintain all original documentation related to the financial management of the grant. Scan and email copies of receipts and checks along with the District Grant Final Report Form to the District Grant Subcommittee Chair.