

**District 7360 District Community Grant Application 2022-23**

**Application Deadline: August 1, 2022**

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Community Project  International

Rotary Club of: Bloomsburg

Project Title: Smart Devices for Increasing Digital Literacy Among Older Community Members

Amount of funds requested from District: 800

Amount of funds committed by Rotary Club for Project: 800 (Must be equal to or greater than amount of funds requested from District)

2022-23 Club Grants Chair Ginny Weibel weibelgl@aol.com  
(Name) (E-mail)

2022-23 Club Chair of this project Ginny Weibel weibelgl@aol.com  
(Name) (E-mail)

2022-22 Club Treasurer Bobbi Jo Broyles bjbroyles@diversifiedtechnology.com  
(Name) (E-mail)

**No project may start until final approval is received from District 7360 and The Rotary Foundation**

PLEASE ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS IN NARRATIVE FORM:

1. Briefly describe the proposed project. What will be done, when and where will the project take place, and how many people will benefit from the project? How will the project benefit the community?

As a group, adults 65 and older are on the wrong side of the digital divide and also lack the skills to use common information technology and devices. As a result, older adults become excluded from the many resources available through a computer, tablet, or smartphone. In a Pew Institute study conducted in 2021, adults 65+ lag far behind in the use of the Internet, smartphones, tablets, and social media. +

2. How many club members will participate in the project and in what role? Is there a cooperating organization also involved and what will their role be?

Two of the Bloomsburg Rotary Club's members serve as Board members of the Bloomsburg Public Library.

3. Will the project be completed if less than requested funds are granted?

Yes, the project would have to be modified if less than requested funds are granted. The Library would not use funds from the Operating Budget to purchase smart devices if this request is not fully funded. Our equipment budget would not cover the cost.

However, staff would definitely go forward with the planned digital skills classes and provide tutorials on how to use common devices like smartphones and tablets. We would not be able to offer "from beginning to end" step-by-step tutorials on how to set up a device or an app. Staff +

4. How does this project reflect the mission of The Rotary Foundation?

This project helps to advance world understanding and provides quality education to community members in need. These goals parallel those of the Rotary Foundation.

**APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:**

- All 2022-23 Rotary Foundation Certified Clubs may submit one (1) Community Grant Proposal if they gave \$6,000 or less to Annual Fund in 2019-20 OR two Community Grant Proposals if Annual fund giving exceeded \$6,000 OR one (1) collaborative project with one or more clubs.
- Each year the Rotary Club must be certified. Please check to certify that the following steps for the 2022-23 certification have been completed:

Club President or designee must have attended PETS or equivalent training.

One (1) club member must attend yearly a Grant Management Seminar (GMS) held by District 7360.

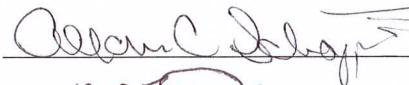
Clubs must submit a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) to the District 7360 Grants Subcommittee by August 1, 2022

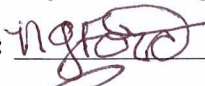
Clubs must have entered a (non-zero) Annual Fund Goal and at least 13 goals for the 2022-23 Rotary year in MyRotary by August 1, 2022


Club must be current on Rotary International and District Dues.

**Reminder: The club will receive the grant money when the final report and all receipts have been submitted to the District Grants Committee Chair**

**Grant Application Signatures:**

Rotary Club President (2022-23):  e-mail: b52dpilot@gmail.com

Rotary Club <sup>Past</sup> President-Elect (2022-23):  e-mail: ngford.rotaryd7360@gmail.com

Rotary Club Grants Chair: (2022-23):  e-mail: weibelg@aol.com

Submit by e-mail to Ken Martin, [kpmartin@stamps.org](mailto:kpmartin@stamps.org) and Pam Wagoner, [depotflorist@yahoo.com](mailto:depotflorist@yahoo.com)

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