

District Governor Announcement: October 20, 2007

Our Rotary Foundation has approved \$5,466. for Simplified Grants to D7150. These \$s are available to our 46 clubs for use in your communities.

Criteria:

V. Appropriate Grant Implementation:

A. The use of funds from The Rotary Foundation must:

1. Project must be new and start after July 1, 2007
2. Promote active and personal participation of all Rotarians involved in the implementation of the grant;
3. Assist in the development of stronger Rotary networks as Rotarians implement projects that have been initiated by a Rotary Club in a project location. Projects which receive TRF support should satisfy the real humanitarian needs of the receiving community;
4. Not involve the establishment of a permanent foundation, trust, or permanent interest-bearing account.
5. Not directly benefit a Rotarian; an employee of a club, district or other Rotary entity, or of Rotary International, or a spouse, lineal descendant (child or grandchild by blood or legally adopted child), a spouse of a lineal descendant, or an ancestor (parent or grandparent by blood) of any living Rotarian or Rotary employee;
6. Not duplicate any existing TRF or other Rotary-sponsored program;
7. Be consistent with the criteria, procedures, and policies of the Polio Plus program and the World Health Organization for projects involving vaccines and immunizations;

B. Grant funds cannot be used:

1. For the purchase of land and buildings. If the grant depends upon the construction of a building, the construction must be funded by club/district funds or funded by a cooperating organization. The Rotary Foundation will not release grant funds until such construction is completed;
2. For construction of any structure in which individuals live, work, or engage in any gainful activity such as buildings, containers, and mobile homes or structures where individuals carry out any type of activity including manufacturing, processing, maintenance and/or storage. Construction of infrastructure such as service roads, wells, reservoirs, dams, bridges, latrines, toilet blocks, and water supplies and other similar structures is acceptable;
3. For renovation of structures, including the provision of new services or upgrade of utilities (i.e. electrical & plumbing), in which individuals live, work, or engage in any gainful activity such as buildings, containers, and mobile homes or structures where individuals carry out any type of activity including manufacturing, processing, maintenance, and/or storage; ineligible expenditures include, but are not limited to:

Unacceptable Construction & Renovation

Electrification

Windows/Doors

Walls/Roof

General Refurbishment (carpet, paint, soundproofing)

All Simplified Grant Applications are due December 15, 2007. Submit to:

Earl J. Lewis, District 7150 Grants Chair, P. O. Box 840, Clark Mills, NY 13321

Our Grants Committee will decide how the \$5,466. will be disbursed to you, based upon the applications received by December 15, 2007. Disbursements will be based on the merits of your project and the humanitarian impact. There is no stated minimum or maximum allowed grant request, however our Grants Committee reserves the right to approve partial requests in order to maximize the benefit of these \$5,466. throughout our community.

All clubs with approved Grants will be notified prior to December 31, 2007. You will be required to spend the dollars and then submit receipts at least sufficient to cover the amount of your approved Grant for reimbursement from our District.

An application is attached for your use, and is up on our district website. If unable to open, notify us and an application will be emailed or faxed to you.

With Rotary regards, 2007-08 District Governor, Marlene B. Brown