



ROTARY INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT 7150
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District Simplified Grants Program: January 15, 2009

Our District Rotary Foundation Committee has approved \$7,561 for Simplified Grants. These funds are available to our 47 clubs for use in our communities. Special consideration will be given to projects, which enhance the quality of life for children in the areas of water, health, hunger and literacy.

Criteria:

(A) The use of funds must:

1. The project must be new and start after April 1, 2009
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 that receive district 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 the club, district or other Rotary entity, or of Rotary International, or a spouse, lineal descendant (child or grandchild 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 PolioPlus program and the World Health Organization for projects involving vaccines and immunizations.

(B) Grant funds cannot be used:

1. For the purpose of land or 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 such as manufacturing, processing, maintenance 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
 - Electrical, Windows/Doors, Walls/Roof, General Refurbishment (carpet, paint, soundproofing)

All Simplified Grant Applications are due by March 1, 2009. Submit to:

*Frank Decker, D7150 DSG Chair
6954 Old Quarry Road
Fayetteville, NY 13066*

Our Grants Committee will decide how the available funds will be disbursed to you, based upon the applications received. The grants awarded will be based on the merits of the 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 the available funds. All clubs with approved grants will be notified prior to April 1, 2009. 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 also available on our district website (www.rotarydistrict7150.org)

Yours in Rotary Service,

2008-2009 District Governor
Larry Calabrese