

Rotary 1918 Community Service Grants

GRANT CRITERIA 2024

Thank you for your interest in the Rotary 1918 Community Service grants. Requests for funding will be accepted from February 26 until April 5, 2024. The requests will be reviewed by a sub-committee and then forwarded to the Rotary Club of Windsor (1918) Board of Directors for approval. All Registered Charitable Organizations who have submitted a request for funding will be notified by April 30, 2024. Below you will find some guidelines to assist you in completing your request for funding.

2024 Focus for Grants: The 2024 Community Service Grants will be focussed on Food Security. Food security is defined as ensuring all people, at all times, have physical and economic access to sufficient safe and nutritious food that meets their dietary needs and food preferences for an active and healthy life. This may include, but not be limited to, the following:

- Strengthening safety nets to ensure that vulnerable families have access to food and water;
- Supporting existing projects that respond to crisis situations related to food insecurity;
- Improving supply chains to reduce post-harvest food losses or improve hygiene in food distribution channels;
- Strengthen capacities to assess and manage food safety risks in low and middle-income neighbourhoods.

Before completing the request for funding you should know:

1. Requests must be from a **registered charitable organization**.
2. Organizations will only be considered for one grant within a fiscal period (July – June). We **will not** fund the same organization within a three-year period after a grant has been received.
3. The maximum amount for a grant will be up to **\$5000.00**; requested amounts may be adjusted by the sub-committee upon review of the grant.
4. Funding will only be considered for a specific project or capital costs (i.e. equipment).
5. Requests for new programs or services requiring seed money must demonstrate how they will be sustainable.
6. The Rotary Club of Windsor (1918's) request for funding form is required.
7. All projects must have a Rotary Champion - an active member of the Rotary Club of Windsor (1918) - who is not a member of the Community Service Grants Committee.

8. Funding will **NOT** be provided for the following:

- Sponsorship/general donation requests
- Religious or political activities
- Fundraising projects
- Debt relief
- International projects
- Annual operating costs (i.e. contract or permanent staff costs, rent, utilities, phones, etc.)
- Individual scholarships/sponsorships
- Marketing/promotional activities

If your organization is successful in receiving a Rotary (1918) Community Service Grants, the following is required:

- Recognize the Rotary Club of Windsor (1918) for its contribution;
- Participate in a media event announcing the funding;
- Submit an update by email or letter, with pictures if appropriate, that confirms the funding was used for its requested purpose within three months of completion.

Community Service Grants Committee

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