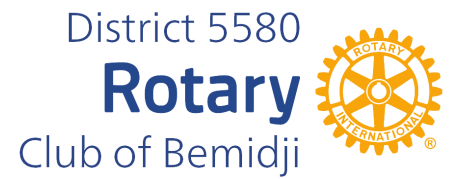


# **Bemidji Rotary Club**

## **Local Community Service Grant**

### **Guidelines for Application**



*Grants will be considered on an ongoing basis, as funds are available.*

*See Grant Application Guidelines for more information. Complete applications can be submitted at any time.*

#### **1. The Bemidji Rotary Club generally favors:**

- a. Organizations that deal with “basic human needs,” especially those that help socially or economically disadvantaged people become more self-sufficient.
- b. Projects or programs that are demonstration in nature, and preferably could be carried on by others at the conclusion of Rotary support (i.e., a “pilot” program, start up, or special need). We are not adverse to high-risk programs with potential for significant leverage.
- c. Grant requests for small, identified capital improvement or special purpose. We will consider funding requests for local capital campaigns, but have generally not funded large, national campaigns.
- d. Grant requests that would benefit many individuals, rather than a few.
- e. Programs that serve the Bemidji area.

#### **2. The Bemidji Rotary Club generally has \$10,000 or \$15,000 per year to distribute; grants range from \$100 to \$5,000.**

#### **3. The Bemidji Rotary Club supports numerous international, educational and humanitarian programs through its Foundation, Youth Exchange Programs, World Community Service Committee and other programs.**

Consequently, organizations requesting support from Rotary for projects dealing with international issues should make application for grants directly to Rotary International. Contact us for information or refer to [www.rotary.org](http://www.rotary.org).

#### **4. The Bemidji Rotary Club has historically not funded grants to:**

- a. Individual persons
- b. Religious organizations for purely religious purposes
- c. Organizations primarily engaged in lobbying or political activity
- d. Basic or applied research.

#### **5. The Bemidji Rotary Club has generally not favored, but will consider grants to:**

- a. Support travel by groups
- b. Fund the operating budget or an ongoing program of an organization
- c. Special events, tickets, or benefits.

#### **6. Be advised that Rotarians encourage their members to be involved and provide hands on service to support important community projects.** Our club hosts a variety of expertise, capacity for physical labor and more. Feel free to include non-cash contributions to further support your project.

All grant requests must be submitted on the Bemidji Rotary Club grant application form. Additional information may be attached, if necessary. Other formatted requests may be returned.

You may be asked to make a brief presentation to the Bemidji Rotary Club Board of Directors. Final decisions are general made within 30 days of the application.

**Grant Applications should be mailed to:** Bemidji Rotary Club  
PO Box 1321  
Bemidji, MN 56619