



Up to \$277,000

in total grant funding available

The Rotary Club of Petoskey invites eligible organizations in Emmet County that serve the people of Emmet County to apply for its **Centennial Grant Program**. This grant funds a **capital community project** — something new or significantly improved that becomes a lasting, visible physical asset in Emmet County. Projects must be ready to break ground promptly and be completed within **12–24 months** of award.

WHO CAN APPLY

- Tax-exempt **nonprofits** in Emmet County serving the people of Emmet County
- **Educational institutions** and public schools
- **Municipalities** and public agencies
- Faith-based organizations for **non-religious** community projects
- Individuals or unincorporated groups must partner with an **eligible fiscal sponsor**

PROJECT TYPE REQUIRED

“Bricks-and-Mortar” Projects Only

New construction or significant physical improvements to an existing structure or site. Must result in a tangible, lasting community asset — not events, programs, or operational services.

- New pavilions, plazas, parks, or playgrounds
- Community buildings or public facilities
- Infrastructure that serves a defined public need
- Must include permanent **Rotary recognition** (plaque or naming)
- Must be **shovel-ready** at time of application

WHAT YOUR APPLICATION MUST INCLUDE

- **Project description & scope** — what will be built or created and who benefits
- **Sponsoring organization & partners** — lead applicant and any collaborators
- **Shovel-readiness** — current status of design, site control, and permits
- **Implementation timeline** — projected start date and completion within 24 months
- **Full budget** — total project cost, the requested Rotary contribution, and all confirmed or pending funding sources
- **Feasibility evidence** — secured funding, approved plans, or site agreements
- **Community impact** — who will be served and the lasting benefit to Emmet County
- **Rotary visibility plan** — how the club's centennial contribution will be permanently recognized

STRONG APPLICATIONS WILL SHOW

- Planning and prerequisites are complete or nearly so
- Additional funding is **already secured**, not speculative
- A realistic, detailed implementation plan
- A clear plan for long-term maintenance and sustainability

KEY DATES

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| AUG 2026 | Application portal opens |
| SEPT 24 | Optional info session via Zoom, 1 PM ET (will be recorded) |
| NOV 1 | Application deadline — 11:59 PM ET |
| NOV–JAN | Committee review & scoring |
| FEB 2027 | Finalists announced |
| MAR 17 | Finalist presentations to Rotary Club of Petoskey |
| MAR 24 | Winner announced |
| MID 2029 | Project completion |

HOW TO SUBMIT

- Visit **petoskeyrotary.org** or scan the QR code — full details and application instructions are located there
- Optional Zoom info session: **Sept 24, 2026 at 1 PM ET** (will be recorded)



Scan to Apply

Ready to apply or have questions?

Visit <https://www.petoskeyrotary.org/> or contact:

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