



INTERNATIONAL SERVICE COMMITTEE



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2016 – 2017 GRANT AWARDS

GLOBAL GRANTS

INDIA: Financial Independence through Education for Girls Living in Poverty

The grant will enable the SRGVVK Trust School in Bangalore, India to give free education to 70 girls (ages 6-18), coming from families of migrant laborers and others with family incomes of less than \$200-300 per month. The grant will enhance girl's enrollment, enhance teacher skills, improve teaching methods and prepare girls after finishing high school for jobs or college, thus leading them to financial independence.

- Award Amount: \$4,500
- Total Project Cost: \$82,250
- DC RC proponent: Mark Wilson
- Host Club: RC of Bangalore West, India
- International Lead: RC of Bethesda-Chevy Chase, MD
- Cooperating Organizations: Edu-Girls; SRGVVK Trust School

ISRAEL: Rotary Hands Across Waters, Phase II

The Rotary Hands Across Waters (RHAW) Phase II program's global grant will convene students throughout Israel from varying cultures, beliefs, and backgrounds around a shared experience of learning about water and sanitation, resource development, environmental stewardship and sustainable conservation. In so doing, it will allow for productive interaction, greater understanding, and establishment of trust between diverse youth in the face of existing challenges, leveraging the successes and lessons learned of the RHAW Phase I program. To accomplish this, 20 schools will join the program, 10 of which will continue their successful participation from the previous year, and 10 new schools from a list of 30 candidates. Rotary International has requested to showcase the project at this year's RI Conference in Atlanta, GA.

- Award Amount: \$5,000
- Total Project Cost: \$157,000
- DC RC Proponent: Brendan McGinnis
- Host Club: RC Haifa, Israel
- International Lead: RC of Coral Springs-Parkland, FL
- Cooperating Organizations: Hi-Teach; Israel Technology Institute (Technion) and the Grand Water Research Institute

THAILAND: Bangkok Anti-Human Trafficking Program

The program will enable women and girls who are victims of human trafficking or whose vulnerabilities place them at grave risk, to be reinserted into normal society and strengthen the capability of non-governmental organizations in Thailand to address human trafficking issues beyond the two-year grant cycle. Measures of success include work permits for beneficiaries, right of re-entry for other SE Asian nationals caught up in trafficking, channels to the private sector, number of staff members trained, numbers of beneficiaries identified, numbers in basic survival support system, number in job training programs, number of visits to enterprises, training completion rates, number who require launching support, enrollment and attendance records, and number who locate a job or become self-employed.

- Award Amount: \$15,000
- Total Project Cost: \$278,500
- DC RC Proponent: Hal Vaughn
- Host Club: RC of Bangkok, Thailand
- International Lead: RC of Washington, DC
- Cooperating Organizations: Alliance Anti-Trafficking (AAT); NOMI

SMALL GRANTS

CHILE: Coaniquem - Vacuum Device for Burned Children Therapy

The project will help finance a Vacuum Therapy device for the Coaniquem Burn Center, which will improve rehabilitation treatment of burn victims (mostly children).

- Award Amount: \$2,250
- Total Project Cost: \$3,484
- DC RC Proponent: Clara Montanez
- Host Club: RC of Santiago, Chile
- International Lead: RC of Washington, DC
- Cooperating Organization: Coaniquem/Burn Center in Antofagasta, Chile

CYPRUS: Cyprus Friendship Program

This project will support the peace building efforts of the Cyprus Friendship Program, funding educational programs in Cyprus and the USA for an intensive year-long curriculum of ethnic integration and reconciliation, bringing Cypriot teens from the northern and southern parts of Cyprus to the USA for a concentrated month of education and training in conflict resolution and peace building techniques. Renowned professors and specialists in the Cyprus conflict and peace building are engaged to challenge and educate the teens in taking the message of peace back to their peers and family members at home.

- Award Amount: \$1,000
- Total Project Cost: \$15,000
- DC RC Proponent: Robert Schott
- Host Club: RC of Nicosia-Aspelia, Cyprus
- International Lead: RC of Washington, DC
- Cooperating Organization: Cyprus Friendship Program, Inc.

JAMAICA: Seed Money for Youth at Risk Program

Rotary Clubs of Negril and Lucea will take a leadership role in bringing together other western Jamaica Rotary Clubs (Montego Bay, Savannah La Mar) and influential young Jamaicans of their communities to be trained as trainers of trainers (TOTs) to deliver Peace and Conflict Resolution training skills. A plan will be developed to conduct Peace and Conflict Resolution skill building workshops in each of the participating communities. The goal will be to have at least 100 Jamaican youth/leaders in each of the participating communities to have the skills and approaches of Peace and Conflict Resolution for them to utilize in situations and events where these skills and approaches are relevant.

- Award Amount: \$2,500
- Total Project Cost: \$3,525
- Proponent established: Dick Pyle
- Host Club: RCs of Negril and Lucea, Jamaica
- International Lead: RC of Washington, DC
- Cooperating Organization: Jamaica Volunteer Association

KENYA: Classroom Furniture for the Nyumbani Village Youth Polytechnic

Nyumbani Village stands on 1000 acres of land donated by the Government through the Kitui County Council. The main aim of the Village is to provide a home for 100 families comprising of 1,000 orphans and 100 of their elderly grandparents who have been left behind following the death of the middle aged generation as a result of the AIDS pandemic. The project's objective is to provide these children with quality education so they can obtain the skills needed to gain employment. In order for this to happen, the children need to have classroom furniture. The project would help fund the purchase of 100 classroom desks/chairs and 5 classroom tables.

- Award Amount: \$2,250
- Total Project Cost: \$5,445
- DC RC Proponent: Maria Nelly
- Host Club: RC of Karen, Nairobi, Kenya
- International Lead: RC of Washington, DC
- Cooperating Organization: Children of God Relief Fund/Nyumbani Village Youth Polytechnic

DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF CONGO: Technical Innovation in Education

The project will help finance the acquisition of a wind turbine that will produce energy as a critical component of a robust information and technology project at the Congo Protestant University (UPC) in Kinshasa, Democratic Republic of Congo. To increase the quality of education and training of students at UPC, additional basic technology services are needed including: a dependable source of power, secure servers, trained professionals and end-users, a solid technology network, connectivity, and e-learning online resources. Each successive year will see an increase in the number of students and graduates, which will require increased availability of these basic services.

- Award Amount: \$5,000
- Total Project Cost: \$48,647
- DC RC Proponent: Mimi Kanda
- Host Club: RC of Kinshasa Kingabwa
- International Lead: RC of Washington, DC

- Cooperating Organization: North American Liaison Bureau (NALB)

ZIMBABWE: Walkway for a Bridge to Education in Murehwa

Additional funding by the RC of Washington, DC will help ensure completion of a footbridge connecting the villages of Maponga, Seke 2 and Chigaramasimbe to Murehwa town, where the Chemhondoro Primary and Secondary Schools are located. The footbridge will allow children from these villages to safely attend Primary and Secondary Schools year-round. During the rainy season, children either risk their lives trying to cross the high river and a number die, or they are forced to walk extremely long distances (over 10 km) over an indirect land route.

- Award Amount: \$2,000
- Total Project Cost: \$63,400
- DC RC Proponent: Jennifer Hara
- Host Club: RC of Harare City, Zimbabwe
- International Lead: RC of DuPont Circle

2015 – 2016 GRANT AWARDS

GLOBAL GRANTS

INDIA: Rotary Dialysis Center Project

Global grant to fund two kidney dialysis machines for the JMP Hospital in Piravom to provide free dialysis to poor patients.

- Award Amount: \$4,726
- Total Project Cost: \$40,000
- DC RC proponent: Balraj Gupta
- Host Club: RC of Piravom Pampakuda River Valley, India
- International Lead: RC of Washington, DC

SMALL GRANTS

EL SALVADOR: Scholarships for Rural Primary and Secondary School Students

Small grant to fund 45 school supply scholarships to primary school children in 16 indigenous communities in El Salvador, where illiteracy rates are above 60%.

- Award Amount: \$2,000
- Total Project Cost: \$2,000
- DC RC proponent: Alexander Kravetz
- Host Club: Rotary Club of San Salvador Maquilishuat, El Salvador
- International Lead: RC of Washington, DC
- Cooperating Organization: Co-Partners of Campesinas

KEYNA: Purple Slip Campaign for Prenatal and Child Care in Mfangano Islands

Small grant to fund “purple slip” pack to expectant mothers that make regular visits to local clinics for prenatal care after the child is born. The pack includes things like newborn clothing, blankets, and diapers, as well as products for the new mother.

- Award Amount: \$5,000
- Total Project Cost: \$5,000
- DC RC proponent: Ross Grantham
- Host Club: RC of Rotary Club of Mbita Mfangano Island, Kenya
- International Lead: RC of Washington, DC
- Cooperating Organization: Project Humanity

SURINAME: Strengthening the Schooling and Traditional Culture of Indigenous Youth

Partnered with the Amazon Conservation Team (ACT) and the Wayanas, one of the country’s most remote tribal groups, to publish and print educational booklets in the community and its elementary schools. In close cooperation with local indigenous park rangers, ACT created these educational textbooks in the Wayana language, showcasing local plants, animals and traditional

knowledge, and creating a template which can be adopted by tribal communities throughout the region.

- Award Amount: \$4,724
- Total Project Cost: \$4,724
- DC RC proponent: Alexander Kravetz
- Host Club: RC of Paramaribo, Suriname
- International Lead: RC of Washington, DC
- Cooperating Organization: Amazon Conservation Team

ZIMBABWE: Bridge to Education

District grant to fund construction of a footbridge to allow children from several villages to safely attend primary and secondary school year round. Absent the bridge, children risk their lives to cross a river that separates the villages from the school.

- Award Amount: \$5,000
- Total Project Cost: \$67,966
- DC RC proponent: Jennifer Hara
- Host Club: RC of Harare City, Zimbabwe
- International Lead: RC of DuPont Circle

2014 – 2015 GRANT AWARDS

GLOBAL GRANTS

HONG KONG: Leprosy Rehab Project

Global grant funded high nutrient packs for children in three villages in Hong Kong affected by leprosy, including continuous education to the villagers so they can maintain a healthy diet and hygienic environment for the children and themselves.

- Award Amount: \$5,000
- Total Project Cost: \$99,979
- DC RC proponent: Ross Grantham
- Host Club: RC of Hong Kong South
- International Lead: RC of Washington, DC
- Cooperating Organization: The Leprosy Project Limited

INDIA: Jawhar Rural Blood Bank

Global grant funded state of the art rural blood bank at Jawhar District in Maharashtra (completed in August 2016) in collaboration with its District 1020 Global Development Fund, Clubs, and District 3140 GDF.

- Award Amount: \$5,000
- Total Project Cost: \$107,000
- DC RC proponent: David Klaus
- Host Club: RC of District 1020 Global Development Fund (GDF) and District 3140 GDF
- International Lead: RC of Edinburgh, Scotland
- Cooperating Organization: Jawhar District Thane Maharashtra India

ISRAEL: Rotary Hands Across Waters, Phase I

Global grant funded cross-cultural exchange in 10 diverse schools throughout Israel, bridging divide between Palestinians and Israeli children. Pilot project successfully completed in June 2016.

- Award Amount: \$1,000
- Total Project Cost: \$161,750
- DC RC Proponent: Brendan McGinnis
- Host Club: RC Haifa, Israel
- International Lead: RC of Coral Springs-Parkland, FL
- Cooperating Organizations: Hi-Teach; Israel Technology Institute (Technion) and the Grand Water Research Institute

JORDAN: Rainwater Harvesting

Global grant funded construction of rainwater harvesting systems at the Lenticular Secondary School for Girls in Al Adaseya, Jordan, the Sweileh High School for Girls in Sweileh, Jordan, and the Sharhabil Bin Hassneh EcoPark in the Northern Jordan Valley. A parallel environmental education program will complement each system, engaging students in hands-on monitoring and

reporting of system data, offering lessons about environmental science, water stewardship, and conservation.

- Award Amount: \$2,500
- Total Project Cost: \$42,172
- DC RC proponent: Brendan McGinnis
- Host Club: RC of Amman West, Jordan
- International Lead: RC of Washington, DC
- Cooperating Organization: EcoPeace Middle East (Amman, Jordan Office)

NEPAL: Teacher Training Initiative

Global grant funded Nepal Teacher Training Innovations (NTTI) to improve the quality of education for more than 7,200 children from Humla District, one of the most remote and under-resourced parts of Nepal. NTTI will work in Humla over a period of two years to build local capacity and to insure that critical thinking and discovery-based learning practices become second nature to teachers.

- Award Amount: \$5,000
- Total Project Cost: \$40,000
- DC RC proponent: May O' Brien
- Host Club: RC of Kathmandu, Nepal
- International Lead: RC of Capitol Hill, DC
- Cooperating Organization: Nepal Teacher Training Innovations

SMALL GRANTS

JAMAICA: Support of Health Infirmary in Hanover Parish

The Askenish Infirmary is a health clinic that provides support to rural Jamaicans. The Infirmary is lacking in supplies and resources, which diminishes the assistance health professionals can provide. The project funded supplies to construct benches for patients waiting to be treated.

- Award Amount: \$1,200
- Total Project Cost: \$1,200
- DC RC proponent: Dick Pyle
- Host Club: RC of Lucea, Jamaica
- International Lead: RC of Washington, DC
- Cooperating Organization: Jamaica Volunteer Association

UGANDA: AAH Women Micro-Finance Program

Arlington Academy of Hope (AAH) provided micro-finance loans to 100 women in Bupoto village in Uganda. The program enabled rural women in this part of Uganda to start and manage businesses, and provide valuable income for their households.

- Award Amount: \$4,250
- Total Project Cost: \$15,000
- DC RC proponent: May O' Brien
- Host Club: RC of Kampala West, Uganda
- International Lead: RC of Washington, DC
- Cooperating Organization: Arlington Academy of Hope

2013 – 2014 GRANT AWARDS (Partial List)

GLOBAL GRANTS

MALI: Thrive for Five – Child Health and Survival

Global grant funded the building of a model system to improve child health and survival in Yirimadjo and deliver prevention resources, diagnostic tools, and medicines in an integrated, community-based health system. Grant goals included 1) Rapidly deliver life-saving tools to prevent and treat the leading causes of child death: malaria, diarrheal disease, and pneumonia 2) Reach 85% of under-5 children with care within 48 hours of symptom onset 3) Reduce child mortality by at least 50% compared to baseline 4) Create the vanguard model to advance Rotary's global efforts to improve child survival.

- Award Amount: \$7,500
- Total Project Cost: \$151,500
- DC RC proponent: Maria Nelly Pavisich
- Host Club: RC of Bamako Ouest, Mali
- International Lead: RC of Washington, DC
- Cooperating Organization: Muso

TURKEY: Breast Cancer Vocational Training

Global grant funded mission to bring U.S. and Turkish doctors to exchange knowledge, technology, and surgical skills to improve the lives of under-served women in Adana.

- Award Amount: \$10,000
- Total Project Cost: \$56,613
- DC RC proponent: Glynis Long
- Host Club: RC of Adana, Turkey
- International Lead: RC of Washington, DC
- Cooperating Organization: Turkish Breast Cancer Center in Adana