

2025 Gunnison Rotary Community Grant Guidelines

OVERVIEW: The Rotary Club of Gunnison invites proposals from tax-exempt charitable organizations in the Gunnison Valley for grants that enable youth, especially low-income youth, impacted by the Gunnison Watershed School District's suspension of the free Summer Enrichment Program, to participate in activities in summer, 2025. Applications from Crested Butte nonprofits may be entertained if they can demonstrate that Gunnison-area youth will be participating in their program. This year, Rotary will make flat amount awards for \$1000. You will describe how this amount will enable you to address the 2025 summer emergency. You will not need to submit a project budget.

DEADLINE: Close-of-business on Friday, March 21. You may only submit one application although you may be a partner in another group's application. The application form is found below these guidelines. Email your application and the requested attachments to gunnisonrotarygrants2025@gmail.com. Late applications will not be accepted.

NONDISCRIMINATION POLICY. Only organizations that do not discriminate based on race, sex, religion, color, creed, disability, sexual orientation, gender, national origin, ancestry or age, or any other basis prohibited by law will be considered.

ASSURANCES: Applications must be signed by an authorized official of the organization.

WE DO NOT FUND: We will not help retire an existing debt, reimburse expenditures already made, fund capital projects (construction or major equipment purchase), or fundraising events. If a faith-based group applies, the program must be open to any child and be non-denominational.

DECISIONS REGARDING FUNDING. During the grant review process, a member of the Rotary grant committee may contact an organization if additional information is required. Grant awards, approved by the Gunnison Rotary, will be announced after April 2, 2025. All organizations that have applied will receive a letter or email regarding their funding status.

GRANT MANAGEMENT. In the event an organization's needs change so the Grant will not be utilized in whole or in part as per the request, please touch base with the 2025 Grants Chair, Maryo Ewell, at gunnisonrotary@gmail.com, to discuss new or different use of the funds or returning funds that are not able to be used.

AWARD. If a grant is approved for your organization, will invite you to receive your check at a Rotary board meeting. We may invite you to make a presentation about your summer to the Gunnison Rotary later in the year. Regardless, at summer's end you'll write us describing what you did with the grant.

QUESTIONS? Call Maryo Ewell, 970-641-4340 or email gunnisonrotarygrants2025@gmail.com.

