



Raffle Grant Project Selection Guidelines

Joliet Rotarians:

You are invited to suggest a local community worthwhile project in need of funds. The 2026 Joliet Rotary Raffle Grant selection process needs your input.

Applications are now welcome. The deadline to submit your project application is ***March 13, 2026.***

Project Guidelines

The following guidelines must be met:

- A. Each project must be sponsored by a member of the Joliet Rotary Club. If the project is selected, that member, along with a representative of the organization, shall monitor the progress and report on the implementation.
- B. The project must be a long-term benefit for the Joliet Community and will be used for capital expenditures, OR a program/service that will have a substantial impact on the Joliet community.
- C. The capital project must be clearly identified, including the Rotary Club of Joliet recognition plan. For a program request, the Joliet Rotary Club must be identified on all program brochures, social media, and websites for the program's duration.
- D. ***The project will be funded up to \$45,000.*** Exact funds will be determined by the result of the Annual Joliet Rotary Raffle Fundraising Event.
- E. Bids or estimates from design or construction professionals for all work and supplies should be submitted with each application for capital work. Specific program budget and expenses should be provided for any program/ service submitted.
- F. The Rotary Member sponsoring the project should return the application and supporting documentation to Diane Cepela at gdcepel@gmail.com.



2026 Joliet Rotary Raffle Grant Application

PROJECT SUMMARY

Name of Project: _____

Benefitted Entity/Charity: _____

Dollar Amount Requested: _____

APPLICANT REPRESENTATIVE

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Fax: _____

Email: _____

Brief Description of Project:

You may attach a full description of your project and charity. Please remember to attach your cost estimates and bids from the professionals who will complete the work on your project.

Is there any part of this project that could be completed by local Rotary Members willing to assist (volunteer labor, etc.) at no cost? If so, please explain on an attached document.

ROTARY MEMBER SPONSOR(S): _____

Sponsors Email/Phone #: _____

To the best of my (our) knowledge, this proposal meets the project guidelines.

Signature(s):

Please deliver your completed and signed proposal with attachments by March 31, 2026, via email to Diane Cepela at gdcepel@gmail.com.



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Raffle Proceeds Project Timelines

January 12, 2026	Raffle Applications Open
March 13, 2026, by 5:00 p.m.	Raffle Proceeds Applications are due
March 16 – March 30, 2026	Committee Selects Top 3 Applicants
April 28, 2026	Top 3 Applicants present at Rotary
April 28 – May 6 by 5:00 p.m.	Rotary Members Vote
May 7, 2026	Raffle Proceeds Award Recipient Announced
June 2, 2026	Rotary Proceeds Recipient Accepts Award at Meeting
September – October	Rotary Raffle
December 1, 2026	Proceeds Distributed to Recipient