

McKinney Rotary Foundation

Application for Funding



What is Rotary?

Rotary is a worldwide organization of business and professional leaders that provides humanitarian service, encourages high ethical standards in all vocations, and helps build goodwill and peace in the world. Approximately 1.2 million Rotarians belong to more than 31,000 Rotary clubs located in 166 countries. Rotary club membership represents a cross-section of the community's business and professional men and women. The world's Rotary clubs meet weekly and are nonpolitical, nonreligious, and open to all cultures, races, and creeds.

The main objective of Rotary is service - in the community, in the workplace, and throughout the world. Rotarians develop community service projects that address many of today's most critical issues, such as children at risk, poverty and hunger, the environment, illiteracy, and violence. They also support programs for youth, educational opportunities and international exchanges for students, teachers, and other professionals, and vocational and career development.

The Rotary motto is Service Above Self. The object of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy experience and, in particular, to encourage and foster:

- The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service;
- High ethical standards in business and professions;
- The recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations;
- The dignifying by each Rotarian of his or her occupation as an opportunity to serve society.

Funding Request Guidelines

Purpose and Activities: The McKinney Downtown Rotary is a service club that works in many ways to support the community, including making contributions to groups and projects that will benefit the larger community and the world. The Rotary Flag Lease Program, Rotary Christmas Parade of Lights and Rotary Wheel Lease Program are the primary sources for funding request.

All requests for Foundation Funding (community and international service) will be submitted using this form to ensure awardees meet the eligibility requirements.

Types of Support: Grants primarily for education, veterans, social service and youth agencies, programs for youth and the elderly, civic and community endeavors that enhance the quality of life. International programs that address these various areas in need of support are given consideration.

Limitations: Applicant must be a 501 (c) 3 and in operation a minimum of 12 months. No grants to individuals, or for ongoing operating budgets, deficit financing, advertising, publications or conferences, and no loans. If International, must meet equivalent 501 (c) 3 criteria.

Funding Application

All requests must be submitted in writing and must include:

- A completed information/contact sheet (form attached)
- A summary of the proposed program or project, including specific goals and objectives. Include how many people and the community(s) in which they reside that will benefit from the project, is there an opportunity for Rotarians to donate volunteer hours for the project (no more than one page)
- The dollar amount requested and a detailed budget for the project
- Audit of financial statements for the most recently completed fiscal year
- Proof of tax-exempt status
- List of staff and Board of Directors
- List of other sources of support/funding for the project or program
- Contact name, address and phone number(s)
- List of Partnerships/ for the program

Inquiries and requests for funding should be submitted to:

McKinney Rotary Foundation
P. O .Box 552
McKinney, Texas 75070

Submission Dates:

Jan 1, April 1

Response will be received within 30 days of the application deadline via electronic communication.

Reporting:

A final written and oral report with at least 3 photographs must be submitted within 30 days of completion and oral presentation scheduled with the club secretary.

Average Grant Requests:

\$500 - \$1,500

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Name of Organization _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Contact Person _____

Phone Number(s) _____

Email _____

Website Address _____

Total Amount Requested _____

Funds Needed By _____

Provide a summary of the proposed program or project, including specific goals and objectives. Include how many people and the community(s) in which they reside will benefit from the project.

Itemized Budget for This Request:

Are There Other Sources/Funding/Partnerships For This Project?

Have any other organizations been approached for funding?

How will you recognize Rotary Foundation for this project? (rotary logo usage must be approved)

Are there opportunities for Rotary members to volunteer?
