

## **ROTARY CLUB OF LAKEWOOD & ROCKY RIVER**

P.O. Box 770916, Lakewood, Ohio 44107-0041

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Each year, the Rotary Club of Lakewood & Rocky River provides grants to support 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations that serve our youth, adults and community within Lakewood and Rocky River. You are invited to submit one or more application(s) for financial support for your organization. Historically, these grants have ranged from \$500 to \$5,000. Due to the large number of requests typically received, however, there is no guarantee your application will receive an award.

Annually, we attempt to refine our selection process to focus on the needs of our ever-changing communities. Just like last year, we will again emphasize activities that assist with job training, youth leadership, health, and hunger services.

Special consideration will be given to applications that also meet one or more of the following:

- 1. Seed money for new programs, projects and services. We look to identify new programs or projects that may be eligible for one-time start-up grants of up to \$5,000. If you have a new program or project that you are trying to bring to fruition, please submit your request as a standalone application. There is no limitation to the number of applications an organization may submit.
- 2. **Hands-on opportunities.** We attempt to identify projects where our Rotary Club members may volunteer their time to work on one or more of your projects or events alongside your organization's volunteers.
- 3. Rotarian connection to your agency. We try to support our Rotary members who are also involved with service organizations outside of Rotary.

*Please note that we are changing our application process this year.* Instead of mailing your request, please submit your completed application form and materials via email to grants.lrrrotary@gmail.com. The application deadline is Saturday, November 14, 2020. Grant awards will be announced in late December.

The application form is attached. If there are any questions, or if you need to speak with someone about this process, please contact the undersigned utilizing the phone and email address noted.

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