



Rotary Club of Tacoma #8 Grant Policies and Priorities

Refer to this document prior to completing a Grant Application.

Maximum Grant: \$5,000

Grant Application Deadlines for 2017-2018

- Round One: August 29, 2017
- Round Two: November 28, 2017
- Round Three: February 27, 2018

Prerequisites for Eligibility

- Organization with current IRS 501(c)(3) status.
- If an organization has received a Tacoma 8 Rotary grant for each of the three (3) previous years, the organization is not eligible to receive a grant during the following (4th) year.
- Organization is current on its 12-month progress reports for prior Rotary 8 grants.

Target Populations

- Low-income and at-risk youth ages 0 - 18
- Low-income seniors 55+

Priority projects and programs (P/P)

Priority 1: The P/P will **directly** provide the following types of services to a target population.

- Food
- Shelter
- Clothing
- Medical/Dental Care
- Violence protection
- Overcoming disabilities
- Household necessities

Priority 2: The P/P will **directly** provide the following types of services to a target population.

- Basic literacy
- Early learning (pre-K)
- K-12 interventional) tutoring (basic education)
- Basic self-esteem / socialization
- Job training
- Mental / emotional health

Priority 3: The P/P will **directly** provide the following types of services to a target population.

- Arts
- Parks
- Environment
- K-12 Enrichment (non basic education i.e. leadership, learning beyond basic education, etc.)

Priority 4: The P/P will **indirectly** provide one or more of the services identified in Priorities 1 – 3 above to a target population.

Target Geographical Areas

- Priority A: City of Tacoma
- Priority B: Pierce County outside Tacoma

Grants will not be awarded to:

- To organizations practicing any form of unlawful discrimination;
- To programs the primary focus of which is political, e.g., lobbying or supporting campaigns of candidates for public office;
- To grant-making organizations (exceptions may be made if control of Rotary funds can be maintained);
- To programs the primary purpose of which is fostering religion;
- To individuals;
- For academic scholarships to individuals (Rotary 8 has a scholarship program).

Incomplete or excessive applications may not be considered.

Process:

1. Grant applications are available from the Rotary Club of Tacoma #8, by calling 253-473-7723, or by downloading from our website at www.rotary8.org.
2. 2016-2017 Grant Application Deadlines:
 - Round One: August 29, 2017
 - Round Two: November 28, 2017
 - Round Three: February 27, 2018
3. Deliver Three (3) complete sets to Rotary of Tacoma #8, attn: Community Grants, at:
 - By US Mail: PO Box 1777, Tacoma, WA 98401
 - In person or by courier: 47 St. Helens Ave, Suite 200, Tacoma, WA 98402 (Monday-Friday, between 8:30 am and 5 pm)

Applications must be received by the deadline, not merely postmarked.

4. Grant decisions are anticipated in November of 2017 for Round One, February, 2018, for Round Two, and May, 2018, for Round Three. Allow at least 60 days following those dates for notice of a grant award.
5. Representatives of the Community Services Grants Committee will make arrangements for a site visit and/or interview. Following their site visit/interview, the representatives will report to the Committee for deliberations.
6. Following its deliberations, the Committee will make grant recommendations to the Board of Directors of Rotary of Tacoma #8, which in turn will make recommendations to the Board of Trustees of the Tacoma Rotary Foundation for final approval of the grants to be awarded.