

Lincoln Rotary Club #14 Foundation Project and Grant Application Evaluation Criteria

The following criteria will be used by the Project & Grants Evaluation Committee to evaluate applications and make recommendations to the Rotary Board of Directors for the selection of Community Grants and Club Projects.

Highest Priority

- **Demonstration of value.** Proposal documents or demonstrates that the overall value of the project to the community is high.
- **Clear, tangible outcomes.** Objectives and outcomes for the project are clear and measurable or tangible (For example, the project will result in improved client status, greater public awareness, new or improved systems, replicable models, provision of services, etc.).
- **Fit with Rotary.** The project has a clear fit with Lincoln Rotary Club #14 funding priorities (see below).
- **Engages Rotary members.*** Encourages club member participation
- **Raises community visibility of Rotary.**

Medium Priority

- **Timeliness.** The proposal shows that the investment in this work is timely. The scope and schedule are reasonable and appropriate.
- **Organizational credibility.**** The organization has credibility for this kind of work (name recognition, a history or track record of achievements, related mission and goals).
- **Leveraged contributions.** There is potential for the Rotary contribution to be leveraged or matched (matching funds, in-kind contributions, in-kind equipment or office space, etc.).
- **Innovation/Creativity.** The concept is innovative and does not duplicate other projects in the community. The project is a jumpstart for a new effort.

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Additional Considerations

- **International priorities.** For International Projects, how well would the grant meet International priorities (see below)?
- **Collaboration.** The proposal includes new partnerships and a collaborative approach.
- **Sustainability.**** The project is sustainable and will not require annual requests to Rotary for support.
- **Significant organizational impact.**** Impact of the grant on the organization and its mission
- **Past Performance.** If this is a continuing or renewed project, how well did it meet its objectives in the past?

Reference

Club priorities (in priority order)

- **Tier 1**
 - Children & Youth
 - Education & Literacy
- **Tier 2**
 - Hunger & Shelter
 - Health, Disease Prevention, & Water Quality
 - Economic & Community Development
 - Ethics
- **Tier 3**
 - Environmental Conservation & Education
 - Arts & Culture
 - Senior Services
 - Human Diversity & Resettlement

Rotary International priorities

- Peace and conflict prevention/resolution
- Disease prevention and treatment
- Water and sanitation
- Maternal and child health
- Basic education and literacy
- Economic and community development

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