



OGUNQUIT ROTARY COMMUNITY IMPACT GRANT APPLICATION INFORMATION

Thank you for your interest in the Rotary Club of Ogunquit's Community Impact Grants Program. Every year, Ogunquit Rotary distributes several grants to deserving nonprofit organizations in our area. Please review these application instructions carefully and contact our Community Impact Grant Committee at impactgrants@ogunquitmerotary.org if you have any questions.

GRANT SCHEDULE – Deadline for submissions is November 15, 2026

Ogunquit Rotary awards Community Impact Grants each year in one or more of four categories: Mental Health, Food Insecurity, Families/Kids/Seniors, and Environmental Sustainability. Typically, the maximum grant award is \$1000.

The deadline for application submissions is November 15, 2026 with awards announced and funded in January, 2027.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

- 1-Organizations must be a nonprofit agency and hold an IRS 501(c)(3) designation.
- 2-Organizations must be based in or provide services in York County.
- 3- Project and services must address a local need, be available to the community as a whole, and/or target a specific segment of the community in need.
- 4-Project and/or service should be unique and innovative; a grant may be used for capital items, and special projects or services. Grant money will not be awarded to retire debt, for general operating expenses, to assist specific individuals, or to duplicate established projects in the community.
- 6-Organizations may apply in multiple grant categories but may only receive one grant during the Ogunquit Rotary fiscal year (July-June). Organizations are encouraged to apply in the category that matches their primary mission statement or the primary

purpose of their community service/project.

7-Organizations are not eligible to be considered for a grant if they received an Ogunquit Rotary Community Impact Grant during the previous 12 months.

8-Organizations are not eligible to be considered for a grant if they are designated to receive money from other Ogunquit Rotary fundraising activities during the Ogunquit Rotary's fiscal year (July-June).

9-Organizations will receive acknowledgement that their grant application was received. If you do not receive a response within two weeks of your submission, please contact the Community Impact Grant Committee at impactgrants@ogunquitmerotary.org

GRANT PROPOSAL REQUIREMENTS

Your proposal must include the following:

- **Completed Grant Application** (1 page) – Download the application from the Ogunquit Rotary Website under the Community Grants tab at the top of the home page (www.ogunquitmerotary.org)
- **Proposal Narrative** (up to 4 pages) – Refer to requirements below.
- **Copy of IRS letter of 501(c)(3) determination**

GRANT PROPOSAL NARRATIVE

Proposal narrative should include:

- Needs statement
- Objectives of the project to be funded
- Organization's qualifications to carry out the project
- Whether the project is new or ongoing
- Community/constituency to be served
- Community and volunteer involvement
- How the project will be evaluated as successful
- Plans for continued funding of the project, if applicable

The narrative must not exceed four pages. Please do not provide marketing brochures/flyers.

GRANT PROPOSAL SUBMISSION

Please submit your Community Grant Application, your Grant Proposal Narrative and a copy of your IRS letter of 501(c)(3) determination by email in PDF format to impactgrants@ogunquitmerotary.org by November 15, 2026 to be considered for the current round of community grants.

GRANT PROPOSAL EVALUATION

The Ogunquit Rotary Community Impact Grants committee will evaluate each proposal based on, but not limited to:

- response to community issues
- financial and community need
- availability to the community as a whole or large segment in need
- feasibility of accomplishment based on resources available
- ability to improve community members' lives
- measurable results

Any information provided in the grant application and proposal narrative may be used in Rotary press releases, social media, reports, research, or other published materials unless confidentiality is specifically requested.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

If you have questions about the community grant process or criteria, please email us at impactgrants@ogunquitmerotary.org