# Applying for a New District Grant for the Rotary Year

# GUIDE FOR D5010 DISTRICT GRANTS

### Introduction

This handout provides an overview for submitting a district grant at the *Rotary District Grants Website (www.matchinggrants.org/district)*. All grant submissions must be completed on-line. The website serves as a repository for all District 5010 grants.

Not all of the features of the website are addressed in this handout. There are links at the bottom of the website titled *FAQs* and *About This Site* for additional questions. For more information about grants, go to the District 5010 website, <a href="https://www.rotarydistrict5010.org">www.rotarydistrict5010.org</a>. Scroll down to "Quick Links" and click on "D5010 Grants".

For questions, contact Janet Brown or Paul Paslay, District Grants Resource Co-Leaders, at <a href="mailto:cheaders">chena53@gmail.com</a> or <a href="mailto:paul@paul@paulpaslay.com">paul@paul@paulpaslay.com</a>.

### **District 5010 Important Dates**

Here are some key dates to remember regarding District 5010 grants:

KEY DATES	COMMENTS
April 20th	Deadline for district grant proposals. <i>Note:</i> Memorandum of Understandings and Grants Management Seminars can be accomplished anytime, but must be completed before distribution of funds.
May 31st	All District Grants and final reports with receipts and signed invoices are due.
July 1st	Matching grant funds will be issued after this date.
October 31st	If funds are not used, project budgeted funds will be reallocated.

# **District Grant Guidelines**

- 1) Local or international projects
- 2) Include active Rotarian participation
- 3) Projects should align with the Rotary Foundation mission and Areas of Focus
- 4) District funds must be matched 1:1 with club cash contributions
- 5) Each club is limited to 3 projects per year

District Grants can be used for a wide variety of activities, including, but not limited to, funding scholarships, supporting vocational training teams, sponsoring volunteer service, providing disaster relief, and carryout community and international service projects.

# **Qualifying Your Club**

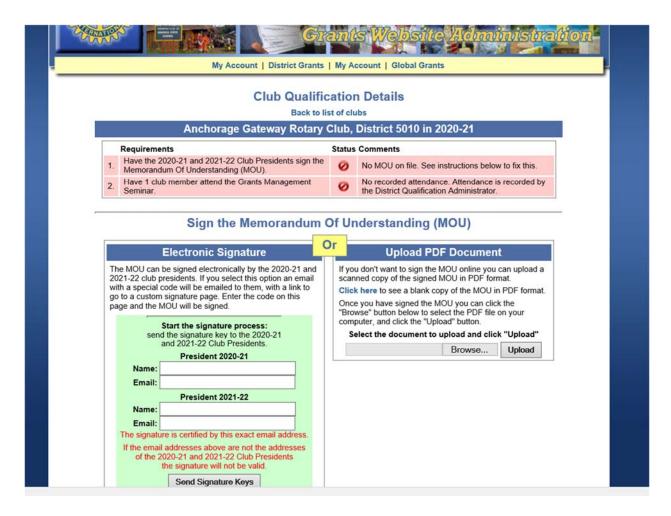
There are 2 steps to qualifying your club each year for TRF grant participation:

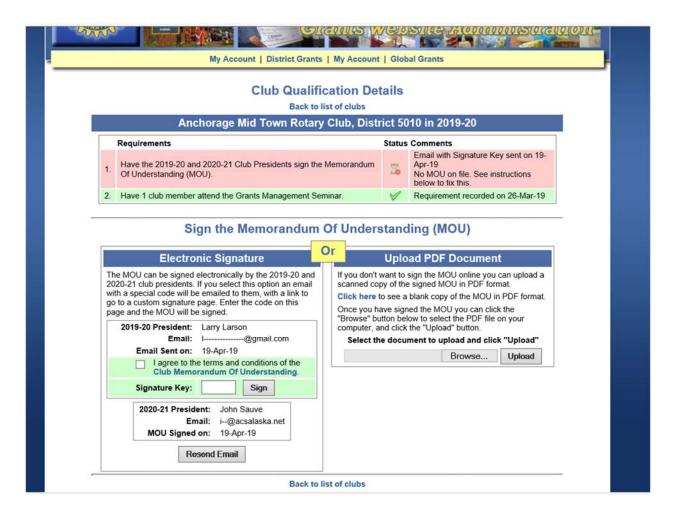
- 1) One club member must attend a Grants Management Seminar which is offered at PETS every year. The Grants Committee is working on providing more throughout the year, possibly online.
- 2) Read and sign the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU).

# Signing the MOU

- 1) To find the MOU and start the signature process, any club member can go to the District website: <a href="https://rotarydistrict5010.org">https://rotarydistrict5010.org</a>. Scroll down to Quick Links on the lower right side and select "D5010 Grants".
- 2) On the Grants Information page, select Club Qualifications on the left hand side.
- 3) Click on the displayed link to process your MOU.
- 4) This will take you to the Club Qualification Summary page of the matchinggrants.org website used to manage the district grants.
- 5) Use the blue arrows to select the upcoming Rotary Year.
- 6) Click on your club name.
- 7) In the Electronic Signature section, fill in the names and emails of your incoming club president and following year's club president. If you have no following year president yet, enter a board member or Foundation Chair willing to sign.
- 8) Select "Send Signature Keys" button. Matchinggrants.org will automatically send an email to these people providing a link to go in and "sign" the grant by entering the signature key.







# **Submitting the Project**

- a. Go to www.matchinggrants.org/district.
- b. Click **Submit Project** near the top or bottom of the website.
- c. Once you click on **Submit Project**, read the instructions carefully and click on the link below:

### Submit a Project

### Please read carefully before submitting a project.

Projects on this website are usually submitted by a Rotarian from the project primary club.

You can submit a new project to be published on this website. You should do so if you want to go through your district approval process. You project will be included in the Main List and anybody can review the project description. You will be notified by email when your project has moved to the next level in the approval process, or when you are requested to do something.

When submitting a new project, make sure you include a complete description. Only projects with a detailed description will be accepted on this site. Give us an email address that you check very often, as this is the only way you will be notified when changes are made to your project. You can submit pictures and other supporting documents to describe your project.

Before you begin, please be familiar with the Terms and Conditions for Rotary Foundation District Grants and Global Grants.

### >> Submit a New Project <<

- d. Begin completing the on-line application. See instructions below.
- e. Here are some points to remember:
  - (1) The DDF Requested amount cannot exceed the Club Contribution amount; however, the Club Contribution should match or exceed the DDF Requested amount.
  - (2) Ensure the correct Rotary year is listed on the grant application. The Rotary year is July 1<sup>st</sup> to June 30<sup>th</sup>.
  - (3) Rotary District Grant projects must be completed and reported before the end of May. Grants cannot be extended into the next Rotary year.
- f. Click "Save" at the bottom of the application to submit the project. After submitting, if you need to make changes to your grant, see the *QuickTips* page on the website for detailed instructions on how to make changes.
- g. Once your project has been submitted, your application will be routed to the District 5010 Grants Resource Leader. If there is missing information or questions, you will be contacted. Once the proposal is checked for accuracy, the D5010 Grants Resource Leader publishes the grant which changes the status to "Fully Pledged". The Resource Leader or club may "start the signature process" to require the proposer and the incoming club president to sign. If that is the same person, then another responsible club member should sign. During the signature process the grant status is "Submitted", after club signatures are completed, the status changes to "Signed".
- h. The District Grants Committee will meet and review all of the District 5010 grant applications in late April. Funding of the grants is based on several factors: number of grants received, how much DDF funds were received for the district, club contributions to The Rotary Foundation, etc.
- i. All clubs will be notified regarding approval of their project and the actual amount approved by the committee. Modifications may be made to the amount of the **DDF requested** on the grant application by the Grants Resource Leader who will then restart the signature process. Club funds may be spent only AFTER the block grant has been approved by The Rotary Foundation. The District Grants Treasurer will mail checks to the club shortly after the beginning of the new Rotary year.

# Sample of District Grant Application

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This must be	e YOUR name and YOUR email address if you are not the primary contact for this project,
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Project Title	Rotary Year 2015-16 💠
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☐ Pe	ace and conflict prevention/resolution   Disease prevention and treatment
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Ba	sic education and literacy Economic and community development
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funded, who is benefitting from th	ce to explain the project. This project description should provide information about what activity is being e activity, and the name of the location of the project or activity, including the city or country. For example, "Five r children in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia."
project. Please specify what the p	include what needs have been identified, how the project will meet those needs, and the timeline for your project funds will be used for and how club members will be involved.
Project Contact Person	
District Nun	nber Rotary Club of
Contact N	ame Email
Project Budget	
Total Budget	Club Contribution District Contribution (DDF)
Payment Information	
This is the information	to provide to your District Leadership to send the check payment after the project is approved.
Contact Phone	Number Make checks payable to
Address	City State Zip
The mission of The Rotary	o certify that this project fits within the guidelines of the Rotary Foundation Mission Statement:  Foundation is to enable Rotarians to advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace through the provement of health, the support of education, and the alleviation of poverty.

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### Making Updates To A District Grant Project

Please keep us updated of the ongoing status of this project. You can make changes to the project page by clicking on the *Administration* link on the right section of the tab navigation bar of your project page, and then clicking on one of the headings in the yellow banner. We recommend that you upload photos and supporting documents to the website to better define your project.



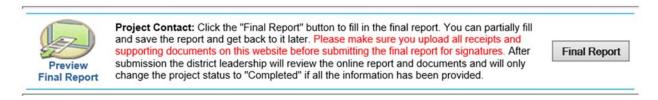
- a. All files in the *Documents* section must be PDF files. *Photos* do not have to be PDF files. *History Logs* can be used to update significant information about the grant during the course of the Rotary year. If there have been no updates to the website project page in 6 months, you will receive an automated email from the website inquiring about the status. Please use the link in the email to make any updates and include an entry in the *History Logs*.
- b. When uploading files, the files may not show up right away on your project page. Please wait at least a day before trying again to upload the file. If your files do not show up on your grants page after a couple of attempts, please contact the District Grants Resource Leader.

## **Preparing The Final Report**

Once the grant is completed, ALL DOCUMENTATION showing expenditures of the project funds must be uploaded to the website from the *Documents* tab BEFORE the Final Report is completed. All receipts must be in a PDF format. If uploading check copies, please remember to *lock the document*. The Final Report must be completed within two months of project completion, but NO LATER THAN May 31. To fill out the Final Report form, go to the project website and click on the *Administration* tab.



Then click on the **Description** tab. You will see a paragraph in the middle of the page with instructions to complete the Final Report (see below). Click on that link to open the Final Report. Complete the report and click on the "**Save and Send for Signatures**". This will alert the District Grants Resource Leader that your project is completed and ready for final review.



### The next page is an example of the Final Report.

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-	Club: Susitna									
Project	Title: Water Safety	and Literacy Prog								
Project Description										
1. Describe the project. What was done, when and where did project activities take place?										
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4. How many	Rotarians participate	d in the project?								
5. What did th	ney do? Please give a	t least two examples, not including financial suppo	rt provided to the projec	ct.						
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6. If a cooper	ating organization wa	as involved, what was its role?								

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7. Income				
	Sources of Income	9	Amount	
	1. District Grant funds re	ceived from District 5010	2166	
	2. Rotary Club Contribut	on: Susitna	2167	
	Other funding			
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