An Introduction to Global Grants

Global grants fund large-scale international projects and activities, involving both a Host partner and an International partner. All projects that received Foundation grants must comply with the *Terms and Conditions for Rotary Foundation District Grants and Global Grants.*

Your project must:

- Have a long-term, sustainable impact
- Include activities that clearly fit into one of Rotary's areas of focus
- Invest at least $30,000 within a community
- Address an important need identified by the community itself
- Strengthen the community's capacity to meet its own needs

You must:

- Apply for a grant through Rotary.org
- Actively involve the benefiting community in the project
- Partner with a club in another country
- Qualify your club for global grants every year
- Act as primary sponsor of no more than 10 active global grants at a time
- Develop a project plan that includes a budget and a financial management
- plan
- Measure progress toward the outcome
- Stay up-to-date in reporting for all active grants

Global grants support international activities within Rotary's areas of focus:

- **Humanitarian projects** provide sustainable, measurable outcomes that address real community needs.
- **Vocational training** builds skills within a community through targeted educational programs or by supporting teams of professionals who travel abroad to build their own capacity or the capacity of the community they visit.
- **Scholarships** fund international graduate-level study by people seeking a career within an area of focus.

How they're funded:

- The minimum budget for a global grant activity is $30,000**.**
- The Foundation's World Fund provides a minimum of $15,000 and maximum of $200,000.
- Clubs and districts contribute District Designated Funds (DDF) and/or cash contributions that the World Fund matches. DDF is matched at 100% and cash is matched at 50%.

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Major Questions and information for planning a Global Grant

PLANNED ACTIVITIES

1. **In a few short sentences, tell us your objectives for this global grant.**

2. **Who will benefit from this global grant? Provide the estimated number of direct   beneficiaries.**

3. **Which of the following activities will this global grant fund?**

4. **Where will your project take place?**

5. **When do you anticipate your project will take place?**

6. **Outline your project implementation schedule.**

No.	Activity	Duration (2 mos. etc.)
1:		
2:		
3:		

SUSTAINABILITY

7. **What community needs will your project address and how were these needs identified? Provide any relevant data or survey results.**

8. **Detail how your project will address these community needs.**

9. **How were members of the local community involved in planning the project?**

10. **Does your project align with any current or ongoing local initiatives?**

11. **Describe any training, community outreach, or educational programs, if applicable, and who will conduct them. How will recipients be selected?**

AREAS OF FOCUS

12. **What Area of Focus does your project fit?**

13. **Which goals will your activity support?**

14. **How will you meet these goals?**

15. **How will you measure your impact?**

No.	Measure	Measurement Method	Measurement Schedule	Target
1:				
2:				

16. Who will be responsible for collecting information for monitoring and evaluation?

PARTNERS

17. List any additional partners who will participate and identify their responsibilities. This may include Rotary clubs, Rotaract clubs, Rotary Community Corps, or individual persons

ROTARIAN PARTICIPATION

18. Describe the role of the host Rotarians in this activity and list their specific responsibilities. Describe the role of the international Rotarians in this activity and list their specific responsibilities.

SUSTAINABILITY

19. Describe the role that members of the local community will play in implementing your project. What incentives (e.g., compensation, awards, certification, promotion) will you provide to encourage local participation?

20. Identify any individuals in the local community who will be responsible for monitoring outcomes and ensuring continuity of services. How will you support these individuals to help them take on this leadership role?

BUDGET

21. Select the local currency for your budget and enter the rate of exchange to 1 U.S. dollar.

Obtain the current RI exchange rate from Rotary's website. If your country is not on the official RI exchange rates list, visit the Oanda or Bloomberg website to obtain the current rate.

22. Detail your proposed expenses by adding items to the budget. Note that the total budget must be equal to the total financing of your activity.

#	Description	Supplier	Category	Local Cost	Cost in U.S. $
1					
2					
3					
				Total Budget	

23. **Describe the process for selecting these budget items. Do you plan to purchase any items from local vendors? Have you performed a competitive bidding process to select vendors? Do these budget items align with the local culture and technology standards?**

24. **How will the beneficiaries maintain these items? If applicable, confirm that spare or replacement parts are readily available and that the beneficiaries possess the skills to operate equipment.**

25. **Who will own the items purchased with grant funds at the end of the project, including equipment, assets, and materials? Note that items cannot be owned by a Rotary club or Rotarian.**

FINANCING

26. **To determine the World Fund match for your global grant, list all sources of funding, specifying contributions from cash, DDF, and other sources. Note that the total financing must be equal to the total budget of your activity.**

#	Funding Method	Organization	Amount (USD)
1:	**Cash from clubs**		
4:	**District Designated Fund**		

Funding Summary	
DDF contributions:	
Cash contributions:	
Other contributions:	
World Fund match (maximum):	
World Fund match (requested):	
Total Financing:	
Total Budget:	

27. **Have you identified a local funding source to ensure long term project outcomes? Will you introduce practices to help generate income for ongoing project funding?**

28. **Authorizations:**

    Prior to acceptance as an application by TRF, the Primary Contacts, Club Presidents, the DRFCs, and the District Governors will have to give their authorizations for the expenditure of their funds.

29. **Add Memorandum of Understanding for Co-operating Organization (if any).**

30. Review the *Reporting On Global Grants* screenshots section of this manual to ensure that you understand all the details required for your reporting to TRF on your project.

31. A *Guide to Global Grants* is posted on the District 7090 website. This 40 page guide provides invaluable insights to the Global Grant process, but is due to be replaced soon as reported on the Grant Application Tool:

"Exciting changes are coming to the grant application tool. In the next few months, it will become the Grant Center, where you will see a new look and a streamlined grant application, particularly for vocational training teams. Stay tuned!"

Resources and References on the RI website: www.rotary.com .

- **Terms and Conditions for Rotary Foundation District Grants and Global Grants**
- **Areas of Focus Policy Statements**
- **Guide to Global Grants**
- **Six Steps to Sustainability**
- **Grants travel request**
- **Global Grant Lifecycle**
- **Cadre of Technical Advisers**
- **Global Grant Monitoring and Evaluation Plan Supplement**
- **Global Grant Online Application Process**
- **Global Grant Vocational Training Team Member Online Application Process**
- **10 Ways to Improve Your Global Grant Application**
- **Reporting on Global Grants**
- **Global Grant Scholar Online Application Process**
- **Global Grant Application Template**
- **Global Grant Calculator**
- **Training Plan for Global Grants**

Tools:

- **Take a course on Rotary grants in the Learning Center**
- **Get started with the grants application tool**
- **Check our discussion groups**

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