**District 7850 District Grant Procedures**

**July 1, 2015 - June 30, 2016**

**2015/2016 District Governor Louisa Tripp’s Year**

The District Grant Subcommittee will:

* Educate clubs in District 7850 about District Simplified Grants DSGs) and determine grant application deadlines.
* Distribute District Grant overview information and application documents.
* Approve and Monitor grants. This committee will meet at the pleasure of the District Governor and/or the District’s Foundation Chair to monitor the grant process.
* Account to the Rotary Foundation for all funds granted.
* Application Process:
	+ All information and application forms are currently available to clubs. Applications should be completed; and then mailed, or emailed to Larry Vars, District Grants Chair.
	+ The committee will meet after the grant application deadline to consider all applications received. Clubs will learn the status of their application once the District 7850 Grant Application is approved by the Rotary Foundation.
* If there are applications for funds in excess of the total available, and the applications are otherwise in order, the following criteria will be used by the committee to determine grant awards;
	+ Club creativity and involvement of Rotarians in the project.
	+ How does the grant meets The Rotary Foundations 6 Areas of Focus?
	+ Timely submission of the grant. Did it arrive by the deadline?
	+ Per capita Foundation giving by club members. The District goal is US$100/member.
	+ Does the project relate to the Rotary International President’s theme?
	+ Club contributions to the project.
	+ Has the club received previous grants relative to their Rotary Foundation Giving?
	+ Is/are the club's report (s) current for any previous grants?
	+ Geographic diversity/balance within the district.
	+ Sustainability is not a requirement, but can be considered.
	+ Rotary Foundation Goals for the current Rotary year have been entered into Rotary Club Central on the Rotary International’s My Rotary web site.

District Grants will be administered by the District Grant Committee, a sub-committee of the District Rotary Foundation committee. Members of the committee include the Rotary Foundation chair Marilyn Bedell (Lebanon-Riverside), District Grant Subcommittee Chair Larry Vars (Lancaster), Ginia Allison (Hanover), Barbara LaFleur (Stowe), Jim Leyton (Mad River Valley),Michael Swaidner (Colchester-Milton), Stan Bradeen (South Burlington), and 2015-16 District Governor Louisa Tripp (Northfield), 2016-17 District Governor Jay Polimeno (Lincoln-Woodstock), and ex officio District Treasurer “T” Tall (Middlebury)

Lionel Emond (Boundary) will serve as the District Steward, and will review all final reports to make sure reporting requirements have been met.

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