



# Programs of Scale

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**The application for the 2026 Programs of Scale award is open!**

**Learn more about how to apply and join us for a webinar in March to get extra tips.**

The US\$2 million Programs of Scale grant may be awarded each year to a member-led, evidence-based program that is ready to expand over three to five years to increase its impact in one or more of Rotary's [areas of focus](#). Applicants should be [qualified](#) Rotary and Rotaract clubs and districts that have long-term plans to work with other organizations to expand programs that are already successful.

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How and when to apply

**Concept notes are due 23:59 Chicago time (UTC-5) on 1 August 2025.**

During the first phase of the application process, The Rotary Foundation accepts concept notes that summarize these programs. The main phases are:

- 1 August 2025 — Concept notes are due.

- October 2025 — Applicants with exceptional concept notes are invited to submit full proposals.
- January 2026 — Full proposals are due.
- January to March 2026 — Full proposals are evaluated.
- April 2026 — The award decision is made.

You can learn more about [the application process](#) and [previous Programs of Scale grant recipients](#). You can find many more details about applying, including the requirement to secure at least US\$500,000 in cash from entities other than Rotary members, clubs, and districts, in [Rotary's Programs of Scale Grant Competition Handbook](#).

## CONCEPT NOTE APPLICATION

### Participate in a Programs of Scale webinar

To learn more about this grant and how to apply for it, join us on 19 March for a webinar, Programs of Scale Competition: Insights and Tips for Applying. It will be offered twice:

- 08:00 Chicago Time (UTC-5) [Register](#) (in English, with French, Portuguese, and Spanish interpretation available)
- 16:00 Chicago Time (UTC-5) [Register](#) (in English, with Japanese, Korean, and Mandarin interpretation available)

Use this [time zone converter](#) to find the local time of the webinar for your city.

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