

District 7780 Foundation Committee Report

2018-19

Lawrence Furbish, District Foundation Chair

Draft May 14, 2019

Dollars Expended

District Grants. The District had \$52,620 available for District Grants in 2018-19. It was apportioned as follows:

- \$9,000 was set aside for the District International Outreach, this year in Romania
- \$5,000 was set aside for a project in Kenya resulting from last year's International Outreach
- \$1,578 was set aside for administrative expenses
- \$37,042 was available for District Grants initiated by clubs

Eight clubs applied for District Grants, all were awarded. They were:

- Boothbay Harbor - \$5,000 for playground equipment for pre-K and 2nd graders
- Brunswick - \$4,496 for laptop computers for a teen center
- Dover - \$5,000 for a playground expansion for at-risk children
- Kennebunk Portside - \$1,692 for two park benches in Dock Square, Kennebunkport
- Portland - \$5,000 for recovery coach training and community outreach for substance disorders
- Saco Bay - \$2,180 for a beach wheelchair to provide access for persons with disabilities
- Saco Bay Sunset - \$400 for purchase and use of a world map template at a middle school
- Yarmouth - \$4,500 for a sustainable prosthetic hands project in Kosovo

After the \$28,268 was allocated to the eight clubs, \$8,774 was left as unallocated DDF. The committee later voted to provide \$3,660 to support the Rotaract service project to Puerto Rico for hurricane relief, which left \$5,114 still unspent.

From the administrative expense line, \$670 was spent on the Grants Management Seminars, leaving \$908 unspent. All of the Kenya money was spent, and thus far, \$7,407 of the International Outreach money has been spent, but more expenditures may occur before the end of the Rotary year. Final reports on the 8 District Grants are due by May 30.

Global Grants. At the start of the year, the District had \$103,979 available as DDF credit to match Global Grants. The following amounts of DDF were used to match club cash contributions from District 7780 clubs for the following Global Grants.

- \$13,500 for a Kigutu water project in Burundi (Brunswick Coastal)
- \$20,000 for Healthy Kids Brighter Future in Zambia (District 7930)
- \$10,000 for Guatemala Safe Passage (District 7950)
- \$9,760 for a Ubuntu Art Empowerment project in South Africa (Brunswick Coastal)
- \$5,000 for teacher digital learning in India (Yarmouth)
- \$10,550 for an irrigation and clean water check dam in India (Sanford-Springvale)
- \$19,325 for drilling wells in Guatemala (Westbrook-Gorham)

In addition, DDF has been set aside for the following three Global Grant applications if they are approved in Evanston:

\$4,000 for a solar powered lab in Haiti (District 7210)

\$7,712.50 for a maternity ward upgrade in Bulgaria (Yarmouth)

\$3,000 for a Guatemala Literacy project (District 7010)

If these three grant applications are approved, we will have \$1,131 in available DDF to match Global Grants. The Foundation committee voted to authorize spending up to \$1,130 of this to match any District 7780 club cash contributions for a clean water project in Costa Rica (District 7170).

Dollars Raised

As of the date of this report, Rotarians and clubs have donated \$164,582 (95% of goal) to the Annual Fund and \$31,871 (70% of goal) to Polio Plus. Per capita, our Annual Fund giving is \$101.72, and four clubs have not given to the Annual Fund yet this year. Ten clubs have not yet given to Polio Plus.

Fifteen clubs have reached an Annual Fund per capita giving of \$100 or more. They are:

- Bath
- Bath Sunrise
- Bethel
- Dover
- Freeport
- Kittery
- Oxford Hills
- Portland
- Portland Sunrise
- Portsmouth
- Sanford-Springvale
- South Portland-Cape Elizabeth
- Westbrook-Gorham

- Yarmouth
- York

The Foundation Trustees ask each club to donate at least \$1,500 to Polio Plus each year. This year so far six District 7780 clubs have met that challenge. They are:

- Dover
- Hampton
- Portland Sunrise
- Portsmouth
- Sanford-Springvale
- South Portland-Cape Elizabeth

As the Rotary year ends many of these figures will change and a final report will be available sometime in July or August. Often, there are many last minute donations and it usually takes the Rotary Foundation staff in Evanston some time to arrive at final figures.

Respectfully submitted,

Lawrence K. Furbish

District Foundation Chair