Annual DDF Disbursement and Timeline

District Designated Fund (DDF) Allocation 2019-20

Total amount of money District 7780 clubs and members contributed to The Rotary Foundation Annual Fund in 2016-17 was $237,418.

Half of that sum, or $118,709, is in the World Fund controlled by The Rotary Foundation and made available to our clubs via “matches” to Global Grants.

The other half of that sum, also $118,709, is under the discretion of District 7780 and available for District Grants, “matches” to Global Grants, and for designation to Polio Plus and the Rotary Peace Centers. This is the money that is called “DDF.”

Allocation of Funds
(how the District distributes the $118,709 under District control)

$59,354 Global Grants (District match to Global Grants)
$59,354 District Grants

District Grant Allocation
(how the District distributes the $59,354)

$49,071 District Grants, initiated by Clubs
$  9,000 District-led International outreach
$  1,283 Administrative Expenses

Estimated DDF Allocation for 2020-21

Contributions to the Annual Fund in 2017-18 were $225,531.

$112,765.50 Retained by TRF in World Fund for Global Grant matching
$112,765.50 Under District Control
$  56,382.75 Global Grants - (District Match to Global Grants)
$  56,382.75 District Grants and International Outreach

Timeline for District Grants

District Grant applications must be submitted by email and received in the Grants email box, grants@rotary7780.org by June 1. Applications for District Grants will be reviewed by the District Grants Screening Subcommittee (made up of nine Club Foundation Chairs from across
the District). After review, the Screening Committee’s recommendations will be submitted to the District Foundation Committee for final review.

All clubs will be notified of whether or not their application has been approved by mid-July.

An Interim Report is due on all District grants by **February 1**. A Final Report is due by **May 30**. Please understand that these reports require all expenditures for the grant to be accounted for. In certain situations, the work on the grant may still be ongoing after the grant is closed out. In that case, the club is expected to notify the District when the grant is completely finished.

**Timeline for Global Grants**

Applications for Global Grants are reviewed by the District throughout the Rotary year, and will be submitted to The Rotary Foundation consistent with the timeline established by the Rotary Foundation Trustees.

**Disbursement Policy**

**District Grants**

1. Clubs must include a minimum of $500 in club cash in the budget of their District Grant application (except as described in #2 below). Funding is not awarded on a fixed-match (or $1 for $1) basis. However, a club’s financial commitment to the project will be considered as one factor among the merits of all applications (see District Grant criteria, Tab D).

2. Generally District Grant awards are from $1,000 to $5,000. In certain circumstances, at the discretion of the Foundation Committee and if surplus DDF funds are available, awards of over $5,000 may be requested.

3. One grant of $1000 will be made available each year to one of the District’s smaller clubs with a minimum club cash investment of $100. “Small” is defined as those clubs with fewer than 20 members as reported to Rotary International on January 1. A club is not eligible to receive this grant in two consecutive years. Please contact Lawrence Furbish lkfurbish@mac.com to confirm the size of your club on January 1.

4. Payment of 100 percent of the award will be distributed by Labor Day or early September.

5. The Final Report includes all expenditures on the grant. In certain cases, work on the grant may continue after the expenditures have been accounted for. In this case, the Club will report to the District when the project is completed but no later than May 30.

**Global Grants**

1. For projects in which a single District 7780 club is involved, District 7780 will match club contributions $1 for $1 to a maximum of $10,000.
2. For a project involving two District 7780 clubs, our District will match D7780 club contributions $1 for $1 up to a maximum of $15,000, provided each D7780 club participating in the grant has made a minimum commitment of $500.

3. For a project involving three or more District 7780 clubs, our District will match D7780 club contributions $1 for $1 up to a maximum of $20,000, provided at least three D7780 clubs participating in the grant made a minimum commitment of $500.

4. For a project initiated in another District, our District will match D7780 club contributions $1 for $1 under the terms described above.

5. The Foundation Committee will consider other funding requests on an individual basis. Contact the District Foundation Chair, Lawrence Furbish lkfurbish@mac.com.

6. All grant DDFG awards are subject to funds being available.

Other Uses of DDF

1. In the final quarter of the Rotary year, the District Foundation Committee may retain any unreserved DDF for future or anticipated projects or allocate such funds to Polio Plus, the Peace Centers, or any other TRF fund as the committee deems appropriate.

2. The District Governor and District Foundation Chair must obtain approval from the District Foundation Committee to authorize use of DDF, of any amount, for Global Grants in which D7780 clubs are not participating.

3. Although Rotary Foundation policy permits use of DDF for Global Grants originated at the District level, District policy is that club-initiated projects have priority. District-initiated Global Grant funding requires full committee review of project impact, DDF balances, and possible future club requests.

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