D9400 DISTRICT GRANT ALLOCATION CRITERIA 2023/24

Introduction:

The funds allocated to District Grants each year are directly tied to the District Designated Fund (DDF) allocation received each year. This amount received each year is directly linked to the contributions to the Foundation Annual Fund three years prior. At the Districts discretion, up to a maximum of 50% of the annual DDF may be allocated to District Grants.

Invariably, the funding requests for District Grants exceeds the available funds and it is necessary to have allocate the funds according to set criteria. Each District Grant application is evaluated and ranked against the criteria below.

Given the limited DDF available, grant applications exceeding USD 2000 are unlikely to be considered as this would limit the number of grants that can be approved.

Grant amounts may be reduced at the discretion of the committee to balance the available funding across eligible applications. If an application / project cannot take place with reduced funding, this must be clearly stated in the application.

Criteria:

- **Foundation Contributions**: Club contribution history is considered, normally over a three year period.
- **Community Involvement:** A project which has in depth community involvement and input e.g. a vegetable garden, outranks those with lesser involvement e.g. training and scholarships. Where it is a handout without community participation e.g. providing a new stove or a feeding scheme, it receives the lowest rating,
- **Club Funding:** This examines the degree to which a club is prepared to back up its application with their own contribution or are they just asking for funds.
- **Sustainability / Empowerment:** This looks at the sustainability of the project and the life of what the project provides. Vegetable gardens and long-term assets such as kitchens and ablution blocks rate highly while scholarships and literacy material have a lower rating and feeding schemes which only last while the funds are available have the lowest rating.

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