

Rotary International District 6270
District Grants Subcommittee of the Foundation Committee

2021-22 District Grants

FINAL REPORT

Jeffrey Reed, Chair

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SUMMARY

Twenty-two Rotary District Grants were approved in 2021-22. Twenty-two projects were conducted and \$56,944 was spent to fund clubs' humanitarian service projects. Additionally, a scholarly stipend was approved. \$59,437 was spent this year on District Grants to Clubs. A total of \$63,619 was spent on District Grant activities.

REPORT

Committee

Service of many people on the 2021-22 District Grant Committee this year is greatly appreciated. Thanks to Bill Boesch (Ripon); Donald Griffing (Oshkosh); Hibbie Hayslett (Mitchell Field); Tamie Koop (Waukesha Sunrise); Robert Nolan (Whitnall Park); Lisa O'Halloran (Oshkosh); Michael Phillips (West Bend Sunrise); Mary Beth Seiser (West Bend Sunrise); Barb Senn (Fond du Lac Morning); Nancy Slinde (West Bend Sunrise); Judith Slawny (Sheboygan); Beni Westgor (Neenah) for their assistance on the District Grant Committee.

Available Funds

We began the year with a budget of \$67,960 in District Designated Funds (DDF), available from The Rotary Foundation (TRF). The District requested and received a block grant of \$64,054 from TRF including money for contingency and expenses.

District Grants

A total of 22 applications were received from Clubs in Rotary District 6270 for 2021-22 District Grants by the June 1, 2021 deadline. Applications requested a total of \$62,837 in grant funding.

The District Grant Committee reviewed all 22 project applications on July 1, 2022. All applications, met criteria for District Grants in Rotary District 6270. All 22 proposed projects were approved. Total funding of \$62,354 was approved. The largest grant approved was \$3,000. The smallest grant approved was \$1,500. The average grant was \$2,834. Clubs were notified of their application status on July 5, 2021. Half of approved grant funds were disbursed to clubs August 28, 2021.

Approved projects addressed a wide variety of humanitarian, educational, and poverty

alleviation concerns. They included efforts to support the environment, food, support for literacy and education, healthcare support, technology education, coats for children, and many other projects. (See Appendix 1 for further information).

All clubs that received grants submitted Final Reports on completed projects by the deadline of May 15, 2022. Remaining funds were disbursed to clubs following review and approval of their documented expenses. Seven clubs spent less money on their project than was approved yielding a savings of \$2,917 – a savings of \$416 on average on the seven projects. In cases where clubs spent less than approved, final disbursements were based on actual spending.

A total of 22 District Grant projects were successfully completed during 2020-21 with a total of \$59,437 disbursed to clubs. A total of 331 Rotarians from 22 Clubs contributed 1,982 hours of service on their projects, an average of 90 service hours per project.

Scholarship

A former Global Scholar requested tuition support for continuing enrollment to complete her doctorate at the Queen's University Belfast. A stipend of \$4,152 was granted for this purpose to Ciara McHugh. Funds were transferred directly from the District to the University.

Overall Spending

In total, 23 grants were distributed during 2021-22. The total spent from District Grant DDF funds was \$63,619, including expense of a wire transfer of \$30. A total of \$435 was returned to TRF as unspent DDF.

Training

For 2021-22, Training was updated for changes in 2021-22 grant requirements. A “refresher” online training course was developed for persons experienced with District Grants who completed basic training in the past two years. Training was available starting in March 2021. It was offered as an online course through the RI Learning Center. It was also offered virtually as a zoom video conference.

- Introductory Basic Training available online through RI Learning Center March 29 - May 31
- Introductory Basic Training available via Zoom Video Conference, April 6 and 10.
- Refresher Training available through RI Learning Center March 29 - May 31

Many thanks to participating Rotarians and Rotary Clubs in District 6270 for humanitarian work in your communities and around the world.

Respectfully submitted
Jeffrey G. Reed

Appendix 1

2021-22 DISTRICT GRANT PROJECTS

District	6270						
Grant Number	DG2229617	Rotary District Grants					
Rotary Year	2021-22	FINAL REPORT to The Rotary Foundation			rev 7/22/22		
District or club	Activity or project category	Activity or project type	Primary beneficiary	Activity description	Location	Planned amount	Amount spent
Elkhorn	Health	General	Children / youth	Operation Warm Coats for Kids	United States	3000	3000
Elmbrook (Brookfield)	Education	Computers /digital literacy / technology	Children / youth	Reading materials and technology improvements at New Hope School.	Guatemala	2500	2500
Fond du Lac-Morning	Education	Sports / playgrounds	Children / youth	STEM Academy Playground. Phase 1 - Establish base for wheelchair-friendly space.	United States	3000	3000
Hartford	Environment	Restoration / conservation	General population	Hartford Rotary Park renovation - Rain Water Catchment, Surface Water protection, and Wisconsin Native Plantings and Environmental Education.	United States	3000	2396
Lake Geneva	Environment	Environmental education	General population	Environmental Conservation Education. Create Educational Exhibit at Geneva Lake Museum to demonstrate need for environmental sustainability.	United States	3000	1949
Manitowoc-Sunrise	Education	Computers / digital literacy / technology	Children / youth	Provide 10 chrome book computers for Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) of East Central Wisconsin. Use to maintain contact with children.	United States	2854	2849

Milwaukee	Environment	Restoration / conservation	General population	Protect trees at the Milwaukee Rotary Centennial Arboretum at the Urban Ecology Center. Funds provide for protective materials and surrounds for trees.	United States	3000	3000
Milwaukee Amigos After Hours	Health	General	Economically disadvantaged	Community Health Improvement. Provide education & awareness about food. Recipients: Cathedral Center Women's Shelter.	United States	3000	2076
Milwaukee North Sunrise	Community development	General	Economically disadvantaged	Christmas with Dignity. Provide "Christmas Store" allowing parents to select, purchase, and wrap gifts for pennies on the dollar. Serves low income families.	United States	3000	2601
Mitchell Field (Milwaukee)	Economic development	General	Homeless	Welcome Kits of essential household items for homeless youth moving into permanent housing.	United States	3000	3000
Port Washington-Saukville	Environment	Restoration / conservation	Wildlife / animals	Neighborhood Habitat Improvement Project at the YMCA. To engage community members in improving water quality and suburban habitats for birds, pollinators, and other wildlife.	United States	3000	3000
Ripon	Education	General	Student(s)	Strive Provide life skills workshops for at-risk high school students.	United States	3000	3000
Milwaukee	Environment	Trees / plants	General population	Rotaract Club of Milwaukee - Planting Trees in the Milwaukee River Greenway.	United States	1500	1500

Sheboygan	Environment	Trees / plants	General population	Restoration Of Our Trees Sheboygan (ROOTS) – Emerald Ash Borer Mitigation of Town of Sheboygan Mahler and Firehouse Parks.	United States	3000	3000
Sheboygan Early Birds	Health	Disease prevention	General population	Improvements for the Diabetic Treatment Facility at the General Hospital in Zihuatanejo, Guerrero, Mexico.	Mexico	2000	2000
Two Rivers	Environment	Trees / plants	General population	Ivy Tunnel at the Van Der Brohe Arboretum. Construct a walk-through on a walking trail and plant Amethyst Falls Wisteria Ivy Vines.	United States	3000	3000
Waukesha	Economic development	General	Homeless	Provide food and cleaning kits for Hebron House homeless shelter.	United States	3000	3000
Waukesha Sunrise	Health	Dental	Children / youth	Healthy Teeth for Tots and Teens.	United States	3000	2986
West Allis	Education	General	Women	Shared Journeys. To assist unwed high school mothers by providing supplies and assist with improved quality of life and increased likelihood of high school graduation.	United States	3000	2580
West Bend	Education	Literacy	Student(s)	Casa Guadalupe Hispanic/Latino Education Success Program. Read to Succeed (Elementary Students) and Dream to Succeed (High School Students) Hispanic/Latino youth.	United States	3000	3000
West Bend Sunrise	Environment	Restoration / conservation	General population	Repairs and improvements to hiking trails for safety and accessibility at Lac	United States	3000	3000

				Lawrann Conservancy (LLC) in West Bend.			
Whitnall Park	Community development	General	Economically disadvantaged	To provide 100 coats, hats and mittens / gloves for needy students of the Greenfield School District.	United States	3000	3000
Sub-Total District Grants to Clubs:						62854	59437
D6270 Scholarly Stipend	Activity or project category	Activity or project type	Primary beneficiary	Activity description			
Ciara McHugh	Education	Continuous enrollment fees.	Student Ciara McHugh	Stipend to complete work on doctorate at Queen's University Belfast. Previously funded as Global Scholar by D6270.			4152
Contingency fund:						2000	0
Administrative expenses fund:						1000	30
Total amount spent:							63619
21-22 DDF Received from TRF:							64054
Net:							435
21-22 DDF to be Returned to TRF:							435