

## **Project Description**

This is a General description of the Grant project. Outline in detail the humanitarian need your project will address, the intent of the project, how the project will be implemented, and how Rotarians will be directly involved in the project. Note that the Estimated budget is only the initial grant request amount; to outline details on the various budget items, including those from other funding sources, go to the Budget tab.

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Grant Project:	Gibson Elementary SMART boards
Primary Sponsoring Club:	Rotary Club of West Corpus Christi
Contact:	Sisk, Dana
Date Submitted:	Jul 27, 2015 at 5:00 PM
Project Total Budget:	\$19,950.00
Grant Budget:	\$19,950.00
Project Expected Income:	\$20,000.00
Grant Expected Income:	\$5,000.00

## **General Description**

Describe the project and the problem or need it will address, including the intended beneficiaries and how the project will benefit the community in need. Provide the estimated length of time needed to complete the project.

See Memorandum of Understanding between applicant and District 5930

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The purpose of this grant proposal is to request six interactive SMART projectors for first and second grade classrooms. Over 93% of the students at Gibson Elementary are economically disadvantaged.

Objectives:

- Increase interactive teaching and learning, which will also increase student performance.
- Provide differentiated instruction for students via technology tools.
- Collect and analyze student data electronically.
- Increase the utilization of whole group and small group interactive technology tools in the lower grade classrooms.

## **Community Assessment & Impact**

Describe how the benefiting community has been determined and what impact will be made by this project after grant funding has been fully expended.

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**Gibson Elementary Campus Demographics:**

460 Students

93% Economically Disadvantaged

65% At Risk

16% English Language Learners

37% Mobility Rate

88% Hispanic, 8% White, 2% Black, 2% 2 or More Races

Over 93% of the students at Gibson Elementary are economically disadvantaged. They are not exposed to technology tools at home to the same extent as their peers. Therefore, it is critical that they receive exposure to interactive technology at school. During the last three years, the campus leadership team has been working on a long term plan to update the campus technology systems. However, the progress has been painfully slow. Over a three year span, interactive projectors have been installed in Grades 3-5. The lower grades are still lacking the instructional technology tools needed for the students to be exposed to hands-on technology.

## **Sustainability**

Please explain the plan on how to maintain this project for a long period of time.

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Gibson Elementary will own the technology equipment purchased with the grant funds. The campus will provide funding for upkeep of the bulbs for the projectors. CCISD also supports the purchase of SMART projectors. The district provides technical support and professional development for the interactive technology equipment.

## **Implementation Plan**

Describe specific activities of the sponsoring club and any partners in implementing the project. What will the Rotarians who are members of the partner clubs do during the project? Please note that financial support is not considered active involvement.

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Leaders from the Rotary Club of West Corpus Christi met with Gibson Elementary staff to assess the needs of Gibson students and determine the best use of resources. The club has supported students at Gibson Elementary with many projects over the last 20 years. The club will establish a committee of at least three Rotarians to oversee the expenditure of funds. The club will leverage the support of another community partner, Valero. To promote Rotary's public image and awareness, the club will label the SMART boards in these 6 classrooms with "equipment provided by the Rotary Club of West Corpus Christi and Valero". We will invite the media to a kick-off event when the grant award is announced at Gibson Elementary, and to a later power-up event at Gibson when the SMART boards are installed and put to use.

## Expected Expenses

List all anticipated expenses for this project, including those that will be funded outside of the District grant portion.

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Description	Supplier	Currency	Total	Amount
Installation Charges for 6 units		USD	\$6,432.00	\$6,432.00
6 SMART Projectors		USD	\$10,650.00	\$10,650.00
6 White boards		USD	\$2,514.00	\$2,514.00
6 Splitters		USD	\$354.00	\$354.00
		<b>Total:</b>		<b>\$19,950.00</b>

## Expected Income

List all anticipated income for this project, including funds that will be contributed by the club, other partners and the District grant portion.

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Description	Funding Source	Amount	%
Rotary Club of West CC contribution	Club/Other	\$5,000.00	25.00 %
Valero Energy Foundation matching grant	Club/Other	\$10,000.00	50.00 %
District Grant	District Grant	\$5,000.00	25.00 %
	<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$20,000.00</b>	<b>100.00 %</b>

## **Local Club Partners**

List any partnering clubs within the District. Note that only one grant application needs to be made by the main sponsoring club.

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There's no Sponsoring Clubs specified for this application.

## **Cooperating Organizations**

Explanation: Cooperating Organizations are any other groups or organizations (other than partnering Rotary clubs) that are working with the sponsoring club in either funding or implementing the project.

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West CC Rotary has committed \$5,000 for this project, if we receive the matching grant, it will total \$10,000 towards this project. Valero Energy Foundation will match the entire \$10,000 grant Rotary puts towards the project, resulting in \$20,000 being raised for this project. Valero's commitment letter is attached to this proposal.