

It's time to start thinking about your club's District Grant for the 2020-21 Rotary Year. This coming year District 5520 will have around \$93,000 to distribute for district grants; while this is nearly \$25,000 less than we had during this year, it is significantly more than our average District Grant program.

How much could your club expect for a grant for the 2020-21 Rotary Year? Your club's grant is based on your giving during the 2017-18 Rotary Year AND whether your club achieves \$100/capita THIS YEAR.

- Your minimum grant (baseline) will be 15% of your 2017-18 Annual Program Fund (APF) giving;
- BUT, if your club achieves \$100/capita (i.e., your 1 July 2019 membership \* \$100.00) THIS YEAR then you'll get an equal share of the estimated \$51,500 "pot" with all other clubs that also achieved \$100/capita... a share is typically at least \$2,000.00; AND,
- The more appealing your project is often results in a greater award; so ask for what you want and the Foundation Committee will distribute what they have.

D5520 usually has about 25 clubs achieve \$100/capita... the key to the "kicker pot"

So, what must you do to get a district grant? Your club must:

- Be in good standing with Rotary International and the District
- Be current on Rotary International and District 5520 dues
- Be current on all Global and District Grant reporting
- Be current on your IRS-990 reporting
- Have AT LEAST TWO members attend Grant Management Training (most of which will be online (i.e., Zoom))
- And, of course, complete the agreements and the project application

I have some questions:

- What if my club wasn't chartered in 2017-18? Your baseline will be established at \$249.00.
- Where do I find how much we gave in 2017-18? Look at your club's Foundation page in Rotary Club Central, access "District Grant Baselines" under "The Rotary Foundation" on the District website or ask District Rotary Foundation Chair (DRFC) Tom Walker or District Grant Subcommittee Chair (DGSC) Peter Falley.
- When will Grant Management Training be held? We anticipate there will be approximately 6 online (Zoom) session during the first three weeks of April culminating with a "live" GMT session at the District Assembly in Albuquerque on April 25, 2020. Dates/times TBD.
- When will I find out how much money was approved for my grant? The Foundation Committee usually completes its deliberations in early July.
- Does my club have to match the district grant? NO, but many clubs choose to add funds to maximize the impact of their district grant project.
- When can my club start work on its project? Your project must be approved by The Rotary Foundation; starting work before you actually have money in hand is a risk that you may choose to take.

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