Future Vision Pilot Districts

The updates to the 2010 edition of the *Assistant Governor's Training Manual* outlined below are intended for districts participating in The Rotary Foundation's Future Vision Plan pilot from July 2010 through June 2013. At the conclusion of the pilot, all Rotary districts will implement the Future Vision Plan.

Under the Future Vision Plan, pilot districts will have more Rotary Foundation responsibility, including becoming qualified to receive and manage Rotary Foundation grant funds and overseeing the club qualification process. Clubs will need to be qualified to receive Rotary Foundation Global Grants. Assistant Governor's Training Manual

This additional information will assist you in working with clubs.

Future Vision: The Rotary Foundation's New Grants Structure

The Future Vision Plan is designed to

- Simplify Foundation programs and processes consistent with the mission
- Support sustainable activities with measurable results
- Focus Rotarian service efforts where they will have the greatest impact by addressing priority world needs that are relevant to Rotarians
- Offer program options to help achieve both global and local goals
- Increase the sense of ownership at the district and club levels by transferring more decisions to the districts
- Gain greater understanding of The Rotary Foundation's work and enhance Rotary's public image

Updates and news are posted at www.rotary.org/en/fvdistrict.

SHARE and the District Designated Fund

The *SHARE* system distributes Foundation funds worldwide and allows Rotary districts to help decide how the money is spent on district grants, global grants, PolioPlus, or Rotary Peace Centers.

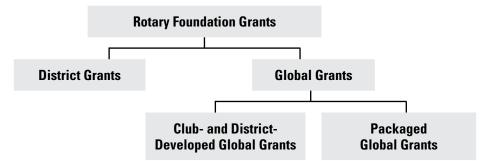
At the end of every Rotary year, each district's donations to the Annual Programs Fund are divided into two funds:

- 50 percent credited to the World Fund
- 50 percent credited to the District Designated Fund

The Foundation uses the portion credited to the World Fund to pay for more sustainable projects and grants that support one of the six areas of focus. The district uses the amount credited to the District Designated Fund to support the Foundation by participating in district and global grants.

Grants Structure

Under the new grants structure, the Foundation will provide two types of grants: Rotary Foundation District Grants and Rotary Foundation Global Grants. There are two options for global grants: cluband district-developed grants and packaged grants.



District grants allow clubs and districts to support their specific service interests that are in line with The Rotary Foundation mission and that address immediate needs in their communities and abroad. Districts are able to use up to 50 percent of their District Designated Fund to support these grants. Your district might decide to use less than 50 percent of its DDF in order to use funds to support PolioPlus or to participate in a larger global grant. The district is responsible for managing the district grant. Learn more about district grants.

Global grants offer opportunities to participate in more strategically focused, sustainable activities with greater support from the Foundation. These grants will fund larger projects with sustainable, high-impact outcomes in one of six area of focus corresponding to the Foundation's mission:

- Peace and conflict prevention/resolution
- Disease prevention and treatment
- Water and sanitation
- Maternal and child health
- Basic education and literacy
- Economic and community development

Clubs and districts can either create their own global grant projects in the areas of focus or sponsor packaged grants developed by The Rotary Foundation in conjunction with its strategic partners.

Club- and district-developed global grants offer a minimum World Fund award of US\$15,000 for a minimum project budget of \$30,000. The World Fund award is based on a 100 percent match of DDF allocations or a 50 percent match of cash contributions. Global grants must be sponsored by two clubs/districts: a host partner in the country where the activity takes place and an international partner outside the country. Both the host and international partner must be members of the Future Vision pilot.

Before submitting a global grant application, Rotarian sponsors are required to submit a proposal to The Rotary Foundation describing their anticipated activities and outcomes. Once the proposal has been approved, the club or district has six months to submit the application online. The district Rotary Foundation committee chair will authorize the application before the Foundation reviews it.

Packaged global grants are developed by the Foundation and its strategic partners. The World Fund and the strategic partner provide 100 percent of the funding, and Rotarians implement the grant project. Packaged grant options will be posted in Member Access as they become available. All global grant applications are accepted by The Rotary Foundation on a rolling basis. For more detailed information about Rotary Foundation grants, see the Terms and Conditions for Rotary Foundation District Grants and Global Grants.

Qualification and Stewardship

In order to participate in Rotary Foundation grants, pilot districts must first complete an online qualification process agreeing to follow and implement the financial and stewardship guidelines in the district memorandum of understanding (MOU). By implementing the district MOU, your district ensures that it has the tools in place to properly manage its Rotary Foundation grant funds.

To be able to apply for a Rotary Foundation Global Grant, clubs must be qualified. As part of district qualification, districts have agreed to hold grant management seminars using the *Grant Management Leaders' Guide* and *Grant Management Manual* from The Rotary Foundation to qualify clubs. The grant management seminar provides club members with the skills needed to successfully manage grants and oversee grant funds. In addition to the training, the club president and club president-elect will agree to implement and sign the club MOU.

Additional information about qualification can be found at www.rotary.org/en/fvdistrict.

Resources

RI Website

The RI website, www.rotary.org, is the best place to find the latest Future Vision Plan information. To be notified of updates, sign up for the monthly newsletter, *Future Vision Pilot News*.

The following resources are most useful to your role as assistant governor:

- Future Vision Addendum to the *Club Officers' Kit* Gives a general overview of how the Future Vision Plan affects the manuals in this publication.
- Future Vision Addendum to the *Club President's Manual* Chapter 6 on The Rotary Foundation has been completely revised.
- Future Vision Edition of the *Club Rotary Foundation Committee Manual* This publication has been fully revised to reflect the committee's new responsibilities with the Future Vision pilot.

Rotarians

- District Rotary Foundation committee Responsible for overseeing all Rotary Foundation activities in your district.
- Regional Rotary Foundation coordinators (RRFCs) and assistant RRFCs Rotarians appointed to help districts and clubs in all aspects of The Rotary Foundation.

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