

<https://rotarydistrict9800.org.au/sitepage/district-and-global-grants/year-11-scholarships>

Description

- Up to 10 District 9800 Foundation Scholarship Grants of \$1,000 will be available each year.
- Each scholarship offered to a school is to be for \$2,000 over two years (11 and 12), made up of a Club contribution of \$1000 and a matching \$1000 D9800 Foundation Scholarship Grant.
- The scholarships are to be used for the same student(s) each year, (see below).
- Applications for a scholarship are to be made using, *District 9800 Foundation Scholarship Application*

Purpose

- To encourage talented and motivated young people facing financial barriers to successfully complete their Year 11 and Year 12 secondary education.
- To build stronger relationships between clubs and their local schools.

Guidelines for Awards

- Scholarships are to be awarded only through Australian schools, for use within Australia.
- Scholarships are to be paid directly to the school.
- The scholarship can benefit one or two students, as determined by the school.
- Awards are intended for motivated, promising students entering Year 11 who are considered by the school to be financially disadvantaged.
- The scholarship can be used for textbooks and stationery, uniforms, camps, excursions, computers, Myki tickets, musical instruments and tuition costs and other course related costs
- The school is required to account for the full \$1,000 at the end of each year (see Acquittal Process below).
- Upon approval of an Application, one half of the grant (\$500) will be paid electronically to the club so that the full scholarship can be formally presented by the club to the school. The second grant instalment (\$500) will be paid upon receipt of a fully completed acquittal report in respect of the first year of the grant period. The acquittal requirements are defined below.
- Clubs are to make the scholarship payment directly to the school, the first instalment of \$1,000 to be paid on approval of the grant, the second after receipt of the first year Acquittal Report (see below) and confirmation that the student will continue through to Year 12.
- Upon approval of a Grant, the club should advise the school in writing accordingly and send as an inclusion or attachment the *Rotary District 9800 Foundation Scholarship Guidelines for Schools*
- Some students may shun recognition for receiving what they may see as 'charity', so anonymity of beneficiaries is acceptable. Please discuss this with your school officer.

Financial Governance

- It is important that clubs make all requirements known and understood to the school officers involved before the scholarship is presented. The school will need to plan accordingly both to determine recipients and to administer and account for the scholarship satisfactorily.
- Schools will be required to furnish a financial report as part of the acquittal process.

Acquittal Process

- The school is required to submit an Acquittal Report to the club at the end of the first year of the scholarship, and at the end of the second and final year.
- The club is required to forward the Acquittal Report to the Chair of the D9800 Foundation Grants Stewardship Committee **by November 30th for each year of the scholarship period** at the following email address:
foundationstewardship@rotarydistrict9800.org.au
- The Acquittal Report has three components:
 1. The Report
 2. The Financial Statement
 3. An official receipt from the school for \$1,000 in reference to the *Rotary Foundation Year 11-12 Scholarship Grant*.
- Unspent monies are to be turned to the District 9800 Rotary Foundation Grants bank account by December 15th each year of the scholarship period. Bank account details will be provided where necessary.