

Rotary



The Rotary Club of Wilmington
Post Office Box 1194
Wilmington, NC 28402

Call for grant proposals, 2017-18 Rotary year

Your Rotary club wants your project proposals for 2017-18. Our club's work will be financed by grants from our own local tax-exempt foundation, supplemented by matching grants from Rotary District 7730.

The district has announced a deadline of August 1 for matching grants. Based on our club's per capita giving level, we are eligible to receive grants totaling \$2,500, possibly more, from the district. Our club's Board of Directors must approve all proposals before they can be submitted to the district. The Board will also determine which projects will be funded entirely from local resources, and will request grants from our own foundation.

Those interested in requesting funding should submit, by no later than June 15, a one-page concept paper to the Grants Committee for review. The concept paper should include:

- Problem statement.
- Objective(s) to be achieved.
- How the objectives will be accomplished.
- Timeline. (District Grant projects must be completed within the 2017-18 year.)
- Detailed budget request.

Each proposal must include a description of how Rotarians will be actively involved in the project. Proposals must also address the issue of how the project is to be sustained beyond the funding period. For more information, please contact Ernie Olds (eolds@beckermorgan.com) or Jack Manock (manockj@gmail.com).

Additional suggestions

Areas of Focus. In evaluating grant requests, the Grants Committee and the Board will give priority to those that specifically address one or more of the six Areas of Focus established by Rotary International. Those are:

1. Peace and conflict prevention/resolution
2. Disease prevention and treatment
3. Water and sanitation
4. Maternal and child health
5. Basic education and literacy
6. Economic and community development

A statement of how the proposed project will address the Six Areas of Focus will be helpful.

Further details. Projects that are endorsed by the Board will require additional information to be submitted for District Grant consideration. Those submitting proposals should be preparing to supply these specifics:

1. Start and completion dates for project
2. Name and address to which grant payments are to be mailed
3. Project objectives
4. Humanitarian efforts: Describe how the project will benefit the community and/or improve the lives of the less fortunate.
5. Active Rotarian involvement: Describe the nonfinancial participation by Rotarians in the project.
6. Publicity plan: How will the general public know this is a Rotary sponsored project?
7. Cooperating organization: supply a letter confirming any outside group's commitment to participate.
8. Other Rotary clubs involved, if applicable
9. Budget (itemized)