

The Rotary Foundation Global Grants District 7210 Suggested First Step Global Grant Resources

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If your Rotary Club is interested in pursuing a Global Grant from The Rotary Foundation, we would strongly suggest that you and your Project Team first thoroughly acquaint yourself with each of the **Rotary Global Grant resources** summarized below. This may initially seem overwhelming to you, but it is very important for you to understand from the outset that **The Rotary Foundation takes the stewardship of donors' funds very seriously**. Your Club can obtain \$30,000 to \$400,000 of Global Grant funding from The Rotary Foundation (*with no funding required from your Club or members*), but you need to be well prepared to plan the Project carefully and be dedicated stewards of TRF funds.

- [Rotary Grants](#) page on MyRotary.org which outlines the differences between District Grants & Global Grants.
- [Global Grants](#) page which provides further details and various resources related to Global Grants.
- [A Guide to Global Grants](#) brochure (*pdf download*). An informative 38 page summary of what you need to know about the Global Grant process.
- [Developing Effective Projects](#) page. This is a great resource for all types of projects!
- [Terms & Conditions of Global Grant Projects](#) (*pdf download*). The rules you must follow!
- [Area of Focus Policy Statements](#) (*pdf download*) and specific **Guidelines for Global Grant Funding** for each Area of Focus (*see Areas of Focus Resources list near the bottom of the [MyRotary.org Global Grants page](#)*) apply to ALL Global Grant Projects. The most successful Applications and Projects are those that are created in full compliance to these Guidelines from the beginning, so you are encouraged to immediately review and completely understand these requirements. It is fairly common for a Club to come forward with a project which is based upon what they feel are obvious needs of a community, only to discover that the Project they envision does not fully conform to the detailed requirements of Rotary's Areas of Focus Policy Statements and/or Guidelines.
- [Conducting Community Assessments](#) (*pdf download*). A Rotary Global Grant project application begins with a formal Community Assessment process, sets & monitors measurable goals, and must be sustainable. Before becoming committed to a specific solution to a community's needs, be sure to conduct a comprehensive Community Assessment, and confirm that your desired project clearly conforms to the Area of Focus Guidelines. Note that your Club can apply for District Grant funding to support a portion of the costs of a Global Grant Community Assessment.
- [Cooperating Organization Memorandum of Understanding](#) (*download*). All Rotary Global Grant Projects will be led by Host & International Sponsor Clubs or Districts, but many successful projects benefit from the involvement of third party professional participants known as "Cooperating Organizations", as described by this CO-MOU. Note in particular the "Tips for Completing This Form Responsibilities Section" which outlines the twelve primary responsibilities of a Global Grant Project, for whom your Application and CO-MOU should clearly ascribe responsibilities among the Host Sponsor, International Sponsor, and the Cooperating Organization(s).
- **Club Qualification requirements** for participation in a Global Grant in D7210 requires that ALL members of your Project Team, as well as your Club President, each **must annually complete the online [Grant Management Seminar](#)** (*all 10 courses, or the subsequent annual Recertification course*) on the Learning Center, as well as annually complete and submit a [Club Memorandum of Understanding](#) (*pdf download*).

- **Project location and Host Sponsor.** If you have a project in mind in a specific international location (*many people often do when they reach out to us*), you would be well advised to immediately speak with your contacts there to see if they have relationships with any members in Rotary Clubs near your Project site which are appropriately "Qualified", according to The Rotary Foundation's requirements, to serve as your Project's Host Sponsor before you proceed too far in the process. Our D7210 Grants team can also investigate possible Host Sponsors for this Project through our sources.
- **New Construction Prohibited.** Note that the Terms and Conditions for Rotary Foundation Global Grants states that Global Grant funds may not be used to pay for "New construction of, or additions to, any structure in which people live, work, or engage in any gainful activity, such as buildings (school, homes, low-cost shelters, or hospitals), containers, and mobile homes" (*see item 2.BB on page 4*).

Please contact us at john.rotary@garesche.com once you and your Project Team leaders have familiarized yourselves with this basic understanding of the Rotary Global Grant process and we can set up a date/time to meet to review the opportunities for your Club to pursue a Global Grant project.