



2025-26 GRANT MANAGEMENT SEMINAR

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GMS OBJECTIVES

By the end of today, Participants will be familiar with

- The types of grants that can be funded
- How the District receives the funding for grants
- How to apply for a District Grant
- Where to enter the Club's Foundation Goal on myrotary.org
- Observe a live grant application & reporting demonstration in DACdb.com



SOME FOUNDATION BASICS

Mission: The Rotary Foundation helps Rotarians to advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace by improving health, providing quality education, improving the environment, and alleviating poverty.

<u>Financial Structure:</u> The Rotary Foundation is organized as a public charity operated exclusively for charitable purposes and governed by a Board of Trustees. The operations of Rotary International, a member organization, are overseen by its Board of Directors.

Rotary International

The Board of Directors establishes policy for Rotary International and provides guidance that helps our clubs thrive. Clubs elect the members of the Board every year at the Rotary International Convention, and each director serves for two years.

Rotary Foundation

The Board of Trustees manages the business of The Rotary Foundation, the charitable arm of our organization that funds service activities. The RI president-elect nominates the trustees, who are elected by the RI Board to four-year terms.



SOMETHING TO BE PROUD OF





Rotary Foundation receives highest rating from Charity Navigator for 15th consecutive year

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Source: Rotary Foundation

ROTARY FOUNDATION PROGRAMS

District Grants

Projects

Rotary Peace Fellowship

Global Grants

Projects

Scholarships

Vocational Training
Team

Programs of Scale Grants

Disaster Response Grants

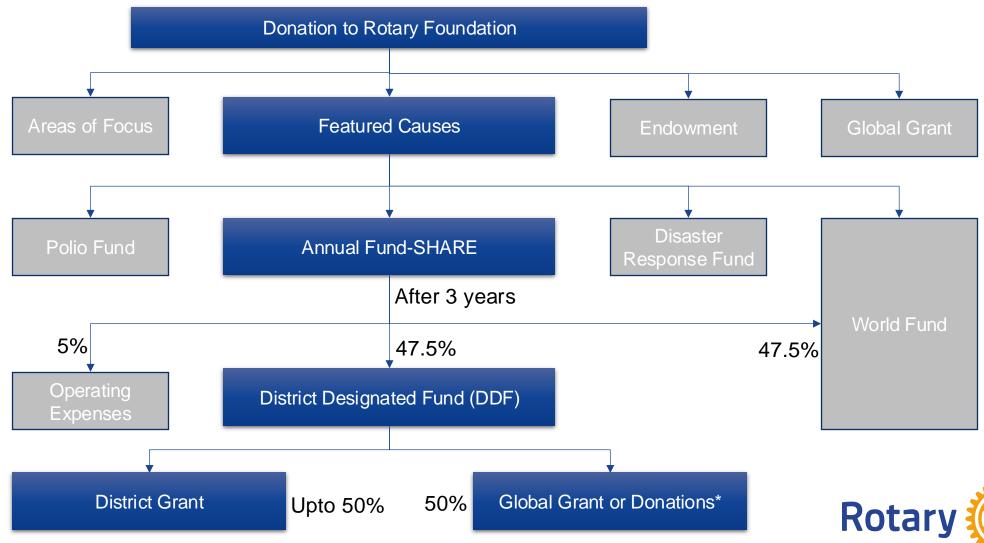
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DISTRICT DESIGNATED FUNDS

HOW DOES THE DISTRICT GET THE FUNDING?

The DDF is based on the District contribution to the Rotary Foundation three years ago



DDF IN 2025-26 ROTARY YEAR

- 2025-26 DDF will be ~\$280,000
- Available for District Grants ~\$140,000
- Available for Global Grants ~\$140,000 + Carryover from prior years



GRANTS

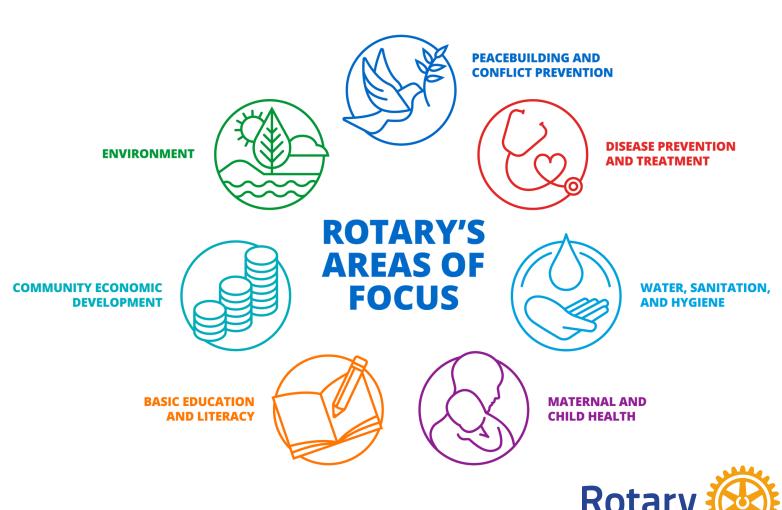
DISTRICT GRANT VS GLOBAL GRANT

District Grants

Fund smaller-scale, short-term projects that address immediate needs in your community or abroad. They range < \$30,000

Global Grants

Support large international projects with long-term, sustainable outcomes in one or more of Rotary's areas of focus. They range from \$30,000 to \$400,000



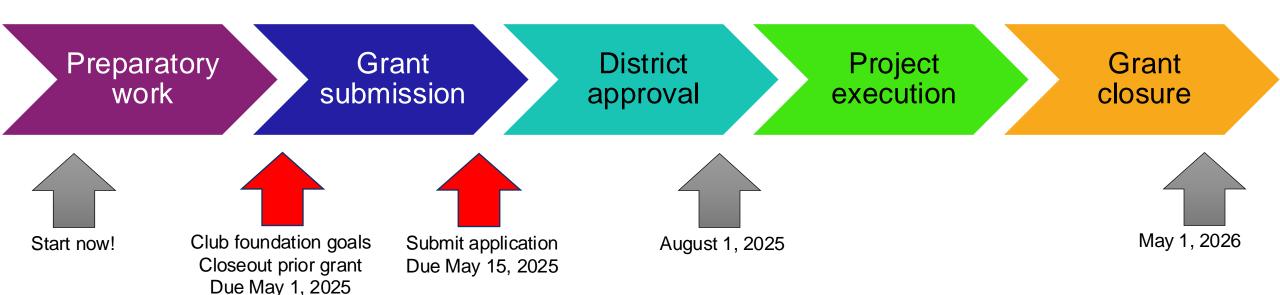
DISTRICT GRANT

WHAT IS A DISTRICT GRANT

- Small scale, short-term activities in your communities and abroad
- Overall Project budget < \$30,000
- Same areas of focus as global grants
- \$5000 per Rotary Club; \$2500 per Rotaract; \$1500 per Interact Club
- Max \$25,000 DDF towards project



DISTRICT GRANT LIFECYCLE





^{*} TRF Block Grant approval and receipt of funds from TRF (Timing contingent upon TRF)

LIFECYCLE: PREPARATORY WORK

Preparatory work

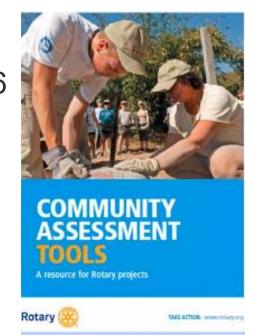
Grant submission

District approval

Project execution

Grant closure

- Each Club must execute a Memorandum of Understanding ("MOU")
 AND upload the executed MOU(s) to DACdb
- The 2025-26 Rotary Club President (current PE) must submit 2025-2026 Annual Fund Goals in Rotary Club Central before May 1, 2025
- Have at least two club members involved in planning and executing the grant attend a Grants Management Seminar ("GMS")
- Develop a project based on an identified "Community Need"
- Use the Grants Module in DACdb to apply for the Grant. Add the required Email signatories for the year 2025-2026 in DacDB
- Close out any open Grants from the past year
- No repeat projects





LIFECYCLE: GRANT SUBMISSION

Preparatory work

Grant submission

District approval

Project execution

Grant closure

Project Budget = District Contribution + Club Contribution

- District contribution
 - \$5000 limit per Rotary club
 - \$2500 limit per Rotaract Club
 - \$1500 limit per Interact Club
 - Maximum of 5 Rotary Clubs
 - Maximum of 2 Rotaract Clubs
 - \$25,000 DDF max per project
- Club contribution
 - At least 10% of the project cost

Plan a budget

Use Zero-based budgets and be sure to include estimates/documentation of requested expenses

CONSIDER PARTNERING with a Rotaract Club or Interact Club

Document how ALL CLUBS WILL BE ENGAGED IN THE PROJECT

LIFECYCLE: GRANT SUBMISSION

Preparatory work

Grant submission

District approval

Project execution

Grant closure

- Target a project within the Rotary areas of focus
- Document how the project is sustainable
- All participating clubs are in good standing with RI
- Each Club must execute a Memorandum of Understanding ("MOU")
 AND upload the executed MOU(s) to DACdb. That means: Print, sign, scan, & upload (Rotary/ Rotaract/ Interact)
- Lead club completes Grant Module in DACdb before May 15th 2025



LIFECYCLE: DISTRICT APPROVAL

Preparatory work

Grant submission

District approval

Project execution

Grant closure

- District Grants Committee reviews each grant on a competitive basis and may approve a grant in full or in part
- A Spending Plan is created, noting each approved club grant, and sent to TRF for approval
- TRF sends District Grant funds to the District as a block grant
- District 7600 funds Club grants per the approved Spending Plan



Do not start the Project before receiving the Grant money from the District

DDF contribution will be issued around August 1st

LIFECYCLE: PROJECT EXECUTION

Preparatory work

Grant submission

District approval

Project execution

Grant closure

- Wait to start the Project until TRF approves the District Spending Plan
 – generally around August 1st
- Contact the Grants committee if you need to change the scope of the project
- Keep records for audit purposes
- Do have a Public Image plan using Rotary Branding. Publicity, publicity, publicity!



LIFECYCLE: GRANT CLOSURE

Preparatory work

Grant submission

District approval

Project execution

Grant closure

- Clubs Submit final reports to District through DacDB
 - Copies of all Invoices & Receipts
 - Copies of both side of all checks
 - Pictures of the project
 - Details of Rotarian/ Rotaract/ Interact Engagement
- Maintain records for five (5) years
- District reviews the final report and closes the grant
- District submits final report to TRF



CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY

- TRF Code of Policies includes a Rotary conflict of interest (COI) policy to, in part, assure integrity in the Foundation's grants program
 - Essential that all individuals involved in a program grant, and/or award, conduct their activities in a manner that avoids a COI, both real and perceived
- A COI exists when a Rotarian benefits financially or personally from a grant
 - Benefit can be direct to a Rotarian or indirect to an associate of the Rotarian
- If a COI exists, MITIGATE it. If it's a perceived COI, explain in your application why it's NOT a COI
- Consult with District Grants Committee or Stewardship Committee BEFORE submitting grant application
- Policies like these have helped TRF earn Charity Navigator's 4-star award for 15 consecutive years



IMMEDIATE DEADLINE

Before May 1st Close the 2024 – 25 District Grant

Before May 1st Add club foundation goals in

Rotary Club Central

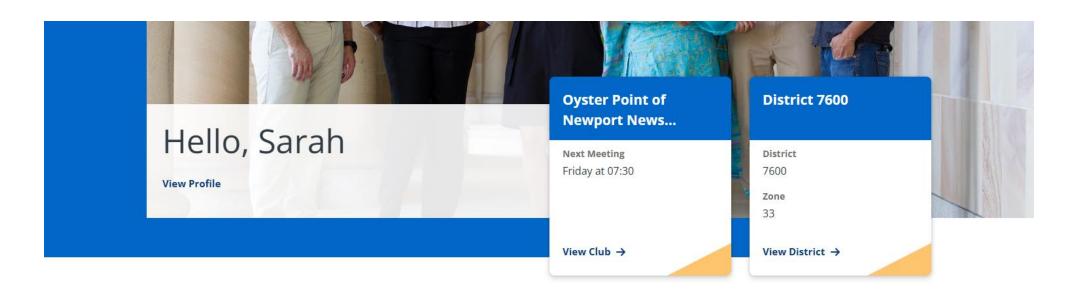
Before May 15th Submit the Grant application

KEY TAKE-AWAYS FOR EACH CLUB

- Sign & Upload the "MOU" or NO grant!
- Attend a GMS or NO grant!
- Enter GOALS by MAY 1 or NO grant!
- Submit grant application by May 15th or NO grant!
- Submit Final Report for 2024/25 grant by MAY 1, 2025 or NO grant!
- No repetitive projects or NO grant!
- Sustainability projects or NO grant!
- Do not start the Project before receiving the Grant money from the District
- Use the Grant to make a difference in your community



DEMO: Entering goals at ROTARY CLUB CENTRAL



Rotary Club Central >>

Set club goals and track how you're doing. Monitor your progress with detailed reports.

Brand Center >>

Find logos, photos, videos, and all the resources you need to promote Rotary in your community.

Grant Center >>

Launch and manage all your Rotary Foundation grants in one place.

Learning Center >>

Learn new skills with online classes and materials created for your specific role or interests.

Membership and Foundation Reports >>

Find reports with data about membership, contributions, recognition, and more.

Service Project Center >>

Browse successful club projects from around the world.





Choose and set the goals your club will focus on and track progress.

Learn how to set and track your club's goals

View Club: All Clubs >

Find your club in the drop down list

Rotary Club of **Oyster Point of Newport News**

O goal achieved of O selected

Make sure the appropriate year is listed

All Goals Enhance Participant Engagement Increase our Impact Expand Our Reach Increase Our Ability to Adapt



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Which goals will your club track this year? Browse goals by category and select only those you plan to pursue. Then save.

riority Goals

Club membership * Priority



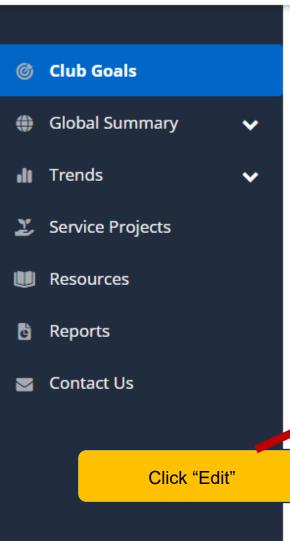
Show goal details and history





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Club Goals

Choose and set the goals your club will focus on and track progress.

View Club: All Clubs >

Rotary Club of Innsbrook (Richmond)



The goals you select will appear below. To report progress or add, remove, or edit a goal, select EDIT.

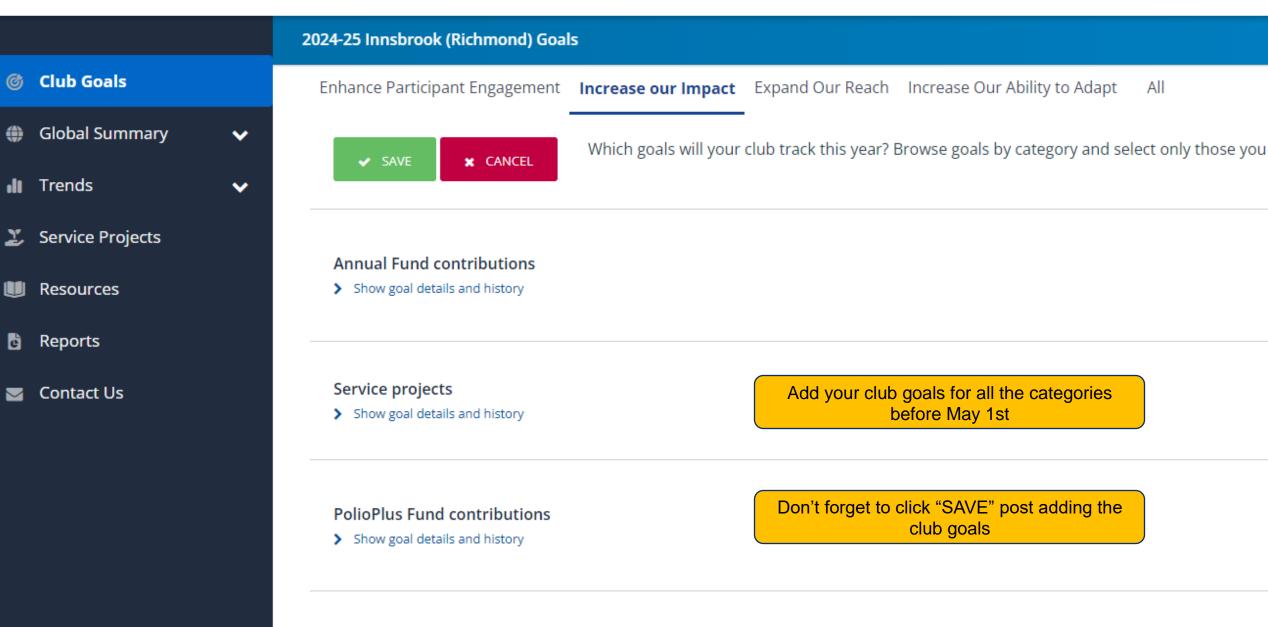
Annual Fund contributions

> Show goal details and history

Service projects

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Major gifts

DEMO: Grant Module on DacDB

Timeline for 25-26 District

Activity	Due date
Club on-line applications available on D7600 database DACdb	Available now
Final Reports for 2024 -25 due to District	Now till May 1, 2025
District Grant Policy & Timeline for 2024-25 available on 7600 website	February 2025
District Grant Management Seminars for Rotary/ Rotaract Clubs (Two club	February 15, 2025
members involved in planning and execution of the grant must attend to be eligible for a District Grant)	March 24, 2025
District Grant - Q&A (District Grants team will be available to answer questions related to grant application)	April 14 & 17, 2025
2025-24 Foundation Goals entered on MyRotary.org	May 1, 2025
Applications due to District Grants Subcommittee (no extensions of date)	May 15, 2025
District Grants Sub-committee review of club applications	May – June 2025
Submit spending plan to The Rotary Foundation (TRF)	June 2025
D7600 Foundation Stewardship 2024-2025 Financial Review	July - August 2025
TRF Block Grant approval and receipt of funds from TRF (Timing contingent upon TRF)	July – August 2025
Announcement to clubs regarding Spending Plan	July – August 2025
Notify recipients of awards and issue checks to lead club upon receipt of block grant from TRF	August 2025
Implementation and completion of projects	Aug 2025 – May 2026
Final Reports for 2025 -26 due to District	May 1, 2026



THANK YOU

