

D5220 Grants Bulletin—November, 2019

Upcoming Calendar of Activities and Events

February 22 –Pre-PETS where club presidents-elect receive club allocations for 2020-21

March 5—Deadline to submit 2019-20 Club Grant Final Reports

March 10—Grants Committee Meeting at Perko's in Salida—6:30

March 31—Deadline for Presidents-elect to complete Grants Qualification Training

April—Vocational Training Team from India visiting D5220

April 24-26—District Conference at Tenaya Lodge

May 12—Grants Committee Meeting at Perko's in Salida—6:30

May 16—District Leadership Assembly—Grants Sessions and Project Fair

June 12—Deadline for clubs to submit Spending Plans and Club Grant Applications

Club Grant Final Reports—Due no later than March 5

The due date for 2019-20 Club Grant Final Reports is March 5. A copy of the Club Grant Final Report form is an attachment with this Grants Bulletin. Clubs that do not submit a Final Report for their club grant will lose the district fund allocation. Any questions on completing the Final Reports, contact Dave Mantooth at davemantooth@gmail.com.

2020-21 Rotary Foundation Allocations to Clubs at Pre-PETS Training

Presidents-elect will receive their club's Rotary Foundation allocation for 2020-21 at the Pre-PETS Training Session to be held on February 22. These allocations can be used by clubs for Club Grants, local and international, and to support global grant applications for their club or other clubs. Allocations are based on the club's overall giving to the Rotary Foundation Annual Fund over the previous 2 ½ years. In addition to the allocation, Presidents-elect will receive information on the Club Spending Plan that needs to be submitted by June 12.

Once the Presidents-elect receive the information, it will be available to any Rotarian in the district by either contacting Grants Chair Dave Mantooth or through the next Grants Bulletin.

Training sessions on the grants cycle and completing the Club Spending Plan and Club Grant application form will be provided at the District Leadership Assembly to be held May 16.

Grants Qualification for Presidents-elect—Deadline of March 31

As part of our grant policies and procedures, a club must be qualified in order to receive Rotary Foundation grant funds. In order to be qualified, a club must have at least three members who have completed the online Grants Training modules and each year, one of those three must be the President-elect. Presidents-elect listed in the district database have been sent the modules, and they are also available on the D5220 website under the Grants tab. Presidents-elect have until March 31 to complete the training, but we are asking the PE's to do so prior to the Pre-PETS meeting on February 22 where grants will be discussed and each President-elect will get his/her club's grant allocation for the 2020-21 Rotary year.

Currently, the following clubs are qualified for 2020-21: Atwater, Chowchilla, Escalon Sunrise, Groveland, Lathrop Sunrise, Lodi, Los Banos, Manteca, Manteca Morning, Merced, Merced Sunrise, Modesto Sunrise, Newman, North Stockton, Oakdale, Oakhurst Sierra, Oakhurst Sunrise, Ripon, Salida, Sonora, Sonora Sunrise, Stockton, Stockton Pacific, Tracy, Tracy Sunrise, and Winton-Nuevo-Latino.

Vocational Training Projects—This Year and Next Year

This year--D5220 will be hosting a team of special education educators as part of a district Vocational Training Team from India this April in the time period around the District Conference. District VTT Chair Chris Daly has been working with district Rotarians to develop a schedule of activities and clubs to host the team members and provide a positive experience for our visitors. If you or your club is interested in helping with this VTT visit, please contact Chris at cdinsonora@aol.com.

Vocational Training Teams (VTT) involve a newer program of the Rotary Foundation. To be considered by the Foundation, the activities of the VTT must align with one or more Areas of Focus, build the capacity of either the team members or the benefiting community, and have a sustainable and measurable impact. The VTT must be sponsored by Rotary clubs or districts from two countries. The grant may support the travel of more than one team. Teams must consist of at least two members (either Rotarians or non-Rotarians) with at least two years each of professional experience in the designated areas of focus and a Rotarian leader who has expertise in the area of focus, international experience, and general Rotary knowledge. There are no restrictions on the age of participants.

For next year, D5220 will be offering two opportunities for clubs to do projects involving Vocational Training Teams—either on the district level as part of our annual District Grant or as a global grant project through the Rotary Foundation. District Grant VTT's will be smaller in nature and will not have to meet all of the application requirements of a Rotary Foundation grant. Global Grant VTT's must be at least \$30,000 and involve the completion of a detailed application which focuses on involvement with a Rotary Club or district in a foreign country and a community assessment that shows the VTT is needed and will be beneficial to the inhabitants of a particular area. In addition, members of the VTT must submit a detailed resume and VTT

Member Application stating how their educational and professional experience relates to the selected Area of Focus and what role in training they will provide.

For both the District Grant VTT and the Rotary Foundation Global Grant VTT, the funding for the grant will be provided by the district. Any club interested in either type of VTT should contact Grants Chair Dave Mantooth to explain your idea and get more information. Clubs interested in the District Grant VTT will make a presentation at the May 12 Grants Committee meeting at which the Committee will decide which project or projects to support. Clubs interested in a Global Grant VTT will need to complete the global grant application to be considered by the Rotary Foundation.

Global Grant Projects for the 2020-21 Rotary Year

D5220 clubs and Rotarians are already making plans for global grant projects to be carried out in the next Rotary year. So far, a number of projects in Nigeria, Mexico, Nepal, and the Philippines are being discussed. Clubs with ideas for projects should contact Grants Chair Dave Mantooth to discuss what is needed for a successful project and to determine if it is viable based on Rotary Foundation requirements and guidelines (davemantooth@gmail.com). As we move forward in the 2020-21 Grants Cycle, these projects will be listed in future Grants Bulletins and discussed at D5220 training events, including the Project Fair which will be part of the District Leadership Assembly in May.

Currently, there are four clubs in the district seeking funds for a global grant project. Below is a brief summary of those grants plus a contact person for more information. Clubs interested in allocating the funds described above to one or more of these projects, should contact Grants Chair Dave Mantooth.

- 1) Gustine/Pag Asa, Davao, Philippines—grant to provide BioSand water filters to provide clean and safe drinking water to households in rural areas in the southern Philippines; this will be the seventh grant dealing with this water and sanitation project. Contact is Brent Tanner at brent.tanner@sbcglobal.net.
- 2) Stockton/El Salvador—grant to provide wheelchairs to improve mobility for children and adults and also provide sustainable maintenance for the chairs. Contact is Marcela Gracewski at marcela@lbmlogistics.com.
- 3) Stockton Sunrise/India—grant to provide equipment to a hospital in Narasaraopet, India. Contact is Jo Moya at jomoya@icloud.com.
- 4) Salida/Mexico—grant to provide equipment to a hospital in Mexico. Contact is Don Murphy at donmurphy4510@charter.net.

Other Grant Happenings in D5220

- 2020-21 Scholarship Process—We had 15 scholarship applications submitted by the January 31 deadline. Thanks to all Rotarians who advertised this opportunity within and outside the district. The scholarships are now being reviewed by the members of the District Scholarship Committee. Four candidates will be chosen based on this review and interviewed March 2 and March 9. The \$15,000 scholarship will be available for use during the 2020-21 school year. This year, it does not appear that any of the candidates would be eligible to apply for a Global Grant international scholarship.
- Our 2019-20 Global Grant scholars Grant Hall and Ngozi Elobuike have submitted mid-year reports on their studies and activities in the United Kingdom. Grant is attending Cambridge University and Ngozi is attending University College London. Both are in advanced programs involving global health issues. Both have also been involved with their sponsoring Rotary Clubs and districts and are representing D5220 well.
- Ngozi's sponsoring district 1260 is raising funds for a huge global grant to provide medical equipment for a new Mercy Ship being built. Mercy Ships provide medical services and training to areas around the world who do not have advanced medical systems. Their goal is \$1,000,000. Our district through the Grants Committee has contributed District Designated Funds to this grant and D5220 Rotarians have contributed significant amounts to make this project a reality.
- A Lodi Rotary project to provide hospital equipment in Batangas, Philippines has been approved by the Rotary Foundation. In addition to cash contributions and Rotary Foundation allocations from Lodi, other clubs supporting this project included Lodi tokay, Modesto Flex, North Stockton, Oakdale, Stockton, Stockton Pacific, and D5220 through the Grants Committee.