

D5220 Grants Bulletin—September, 2020

Upcoming Calendar of Activities and Events

10-24	World Polio Day
11-10	Grants Committee Meeting
1-12	Grants Committee Meeting
3-5	Club Grant Final Reports Due
3-9	Grants Committee Meeting
3-20	District Foundation Dinner

Club Grants—Final Reports and Effects of Covid-19

As clubs complete their club grant projects, a reminder to complete the Club Grant Final Report and submit it with receipts in order to have your Rotary Foundation allocation returned to the club. We have already had eight clubs complete final reports and receive checks from the Grants Committee.

We are receiving some inquiries regarding potential difficulties in carrying out projects because of Covid-19 restrictions. Clubs who feel they are in this situation should contact Grants Committee Chair Dave Mantooth to discuss possible options (either by email at davemantooth@gmail.com or by phone at 209 838-7810—leave message with name, club, phone number and say club grant question). Clubs should realize that the Rotary Foundation does not allow major changes to the submitted applications and district requirements are that funds for projects be expended by March 5. Clubs should not wait until March in order to start working on potential problems.

Modesto Rotary Seeking Help with Project in Kenya.

Modesto Rotary's club grant project this year involved working with an organization in Kenya to help produce 10,000 masks and provide maize flour, cooking oil, soap and sanitizers as part of an overall Covid-19 intervention program. The project teamed with TEMAK and Rotary Club of Kisumu for the successful project which involved women and young mothers producing the masks using sewing machines originally provided by Project Hope. Project Hope took place in 2004-05 and involved over 30 district Rotarians under the leadership of that year's District Governor Dave Gallagher who traveled to Kenya and were involved in a number of projects in Kisumu, including working with TEMAK. Just right click, copy, paste in new window on the following link to see a short video highlighting the project in progress: https://drive.google.com/file/d/1qbxnx_iiLOLgdiF-qvHpLWoxVVHcdYI9/view?usp=sharing.

Modesto Rotary under the leadership of Kate Donovan is now seeking to raise additional funds to help the Kenya group reach their goal of providing 100,000 masks. Kate is willing to make presentations to clubs regarding the project. Clubs or individuals wanting to help with this project can make contributions to the Modesto Rotary Foundation either by check (P.O.Box 672, Modesto, CA 95353—say check is for Kenya project) or online at the Modesto Rotary website (modestorotary.org - navigate to pay/contribute; Modesto Rotary Foundation; City of Hope mask project).

Global Grant Update

In the past month, two district clubs have had global grant projects approved by the Rotary Foundation—Modesto Rotary for a project in India and Salida Rotary for a project in Mexico. The India global in D3182 would provide a number of water and sanitation projects in schools. The overall project was for \$36,671 and involved allocations from four clubs, cash contributions from clubs and Rotarians, and matching funds from the Rotary Foundation. This project came about because of a connection between a member of Modesto Rotary and the India district. The Salida project will provide hospital equipment to several hospitals in D in Mexico. The overall project will be for \$42,672 and involved allocations from 5 district clubs, clubs in Mexico, and matching funds from the Foundation. This project came about from connections made from several Hope Haven West wheelchair distributions. These projects join a Modesto Sunrise project in Puerto Rico and a United Kingdom Mercy Ship project that had strong district support which were approved at the beginning of the Rotary year.

There are also three projects that have been submitted to the Rotary Foundation for approval—two in Nigeria and another project in India. Modesto Rotary is seeking to do an extensive neonatal training project in D9110 after previously doing two pilot projects using club grant funding. The overall project is for \$125,500 and involved allocations from seven district clubs, a district Vocational Training Team allocation, and cash contributions in the U.S. and Nigeria. North Stockton's project in Nigeria would provide 10 bore holes or wells over an extensive area as part of an overall effort to improve water and sanitation in the region. The overall project is for \$161,773 and involves allocations from 15 district clubs and funding from the Applegate Endowment for district water and sanitation projects. Stockton Sunrise has a hospital equipment project in D3150 in India to provide mainly dialysis machines. The overall grant was for \$54,400 and involved allocations from 11 clubs and cash contributions from clubs and individuals in the U.S. and India.

PDG Dave Gallagher has moved to Reno and, as you might expect, has become very involved with the grant activities of the Reno Rotary Club and D5190. Dave has put together a global grant project to provide a student business development center in Oradea, Romania, the site of many D5220 matching grants, global grants, a District Scholar, and two Vocational Training Teams. Supporting this project is Modesto Sunrise.

Dave Gallagher is also working with the Rotary Club of Cupertino in doing a water and sanitation project in Turkana County, Kenya. The project would provide bore holes and storage facilities for water in an area lacking safe water and adequate sanitation. Partners in the project are the Rotary Club of Muthaiga, Nairobi and the Turkana Basin Institute, an organization founded by Richard Leakey and that has supported local villages in many activities. The project is currently about 80% funded and is seeking either cash contributions from clubs or Rotarians or unused Rotary Foundation allocations that clubs have. Any contribution will help the partners reach their goal. For more information, contact Dave at dg2020@aol.com.

Grants Committee Actions

In actions related to the Grants Committee: 1) Stewardship Chair Nick Mascitelli presented a review of the 2019-20 Grants Committee accounts and documents that was accepted and approved at the September meeting. The review acknowledges that the District and clubs are utilizing Rotary Foundation funds in an appropriate manner that follow Rotary Foundation guidelines and requirements. 2) Global Grant scholars Ngozi Elobuiké and Grant Hall have completed or will be completing their year-long studies in the United Kingdom and the district is in the process of completing final reports required by the Rotary Foundation. Both are scheduled to be speakers at the District Foundation Dinner on March 20. 3) The Grants Committee at its September meeting voted to make a change in district policy regarding the Club Spending Plan and club Foundation allocations. Beginning with the 2021-22 Rotary year, clubs that do not submit a Club Spending Plan will lose their allocation and it will be returned to the Grants Committee to be used to support global grant projects and activities. Previously, clubs not submitting Spending Plans lost the opportunity to do club grants but their allocation was transferred to a global grant project of their choice. 4) The Rotary Foundation has announced that beginning July 1, it will be accepting global grant applications in the new Area of Focus—Environment and will also be allowing Rotaract clubs to sponsor global grants.

Grants Chair Dave Mantooth also reported that there are a number of district clubs that still have funds available to support global grants. The funds can only be used for this purpose. Clubs with questions should contact Dave. Because of the available funds, he also encouraged clubs and Rotarians thinking about possible global grant projects in the future to contact him to start the process of determining what is needed. Those considering potential Water, Sanitation and Hygiene projects are reminded that the Grants Committee will be choosing at least one recipient of a \$14,000 grant at its May meeting. Those funds come from an endowment established by former Newman Rotarian Tom Applegate.

Grant Committee Membership—2020-21

By D5220 policy, the Grants Committee is made up of 10 individuals by position and 15 individuals who represent specific areas of serve as at-large representatives of the district. The

Committee in 2020-21 is made up of DG Sherry Cotta, DGE Tim Madden, DGN Chris Daly, Grants Committee Chair Dave Mantooth, District Foundation Chair Ellen Hancock, Vocational Training Team Chair Jay Hislop, Scholarship Chair Mary Ann Sanders, Stewardship Chair Nick Mascitelli, Grants Committee Secretary Waqar Rizvi, and Grants Committee Treasurer Dave Hosmer.

Area Representatives include the following: Area 1—Kirk Stangeland (Lodi); 2-Bob Melrose (Stockton Sunrise); 3—Barbara Larkin (Angels Murphys); 4—Ben Rose (Tracy); 5—Brent Tanner (Gustine); 6—Kate Donovan (Modesto); 7—Betty Saletta (Oakdale); 8—Dorothy Bizzini (Atwater); 9—Marilyn Saunders (Mariposa Yosemite); 10—Dick Wyatt (Madera); 11—Jim Grinnell (Sonora); 12—Tina Gong (Turlock). The three at-large representatives are: Judy Lovett (North Stockton); Vanessa Peralta (Central Stockton); and Sylvia Nelson (Atwater).

The Grants Committee meets on the second Tuesday of odd-numbered months, currently through Zoom. All District Rotarians are invited to participate in the meetings. Those interested in receiving Grants Committee information or having their names removed from the Grants Committee list should contact Chair Dave Mantooth at davemantooth@gmail.com.