



# Rotary Foundation News From District 7630

## DISTRICT GRANT PROJECTS BRING ROTARY FOUNDATION DOLLARS TO DISTRICT 7630

*By Robin Broomall, District 7630 District Grant Sub-Committee Chair*



We all are aware of the impact made by The Rotary Foundation across the globe. But many Rotarians may not realize that The Rotary Foundation is working right here in our back yard, helping fund necessary projects that are led by local Rotarians. This current year more than \$48,000 will be distributed from The Rotary Foundation to 13 qualifying projects

throughout District 7630, thanks to Rotary Foundation donors and the District 7630 Grant Sub-Committee.

In Rotary year 2017-18, District 7630 will have nearly \$50,000 to distribute for District Grants. Now is the time for your Rotary Club to be finalizing your plans for District Grant applications. The deadline for receipt of your District Grant application is June 1, 2017, and we recommend you get your application in early. Last year, demand for the grants exceeded our available funding, and our District Grant Sub-Committee had to make some very tough decisions. We anticipate a similar scenario for this year, so please make sure your application is properly completed. Incomplete applications are returned to the primary club with an explanation of what is still needed, however it can only be re-submitted if it falls within the application process deadline. Every effort will be made by the District Grants Sub-Committee to give each application a fair chance for submission.

### Here are some key things to know:

**1** If you are planning to do a District Grant, please take a moment and reach out to our District 7630 Chairperson, Robin Broomall at [rbroomall@usa.net](mailto:rbroomall@usa.net).

**2** The maximum District Grant is \$5,000 and the minimum is \$1,000. The grant requires active Rotarian participation.

**3** Grants will fund educational, vocational or humanitarian activities. District Grants can fund youth programs, construction, travel for staff of cooperating organizations, scholar orientation seminars, scholarships, vocational training teams, and related travel.

**4** All District Grants must adhere to strict guidelines created by both Rotary International and our District 7630 Foundation Committee. Be sure to read and follow District 7630 Rotary Foundation Grant Policy for District Grants, Terms and Conditions 2017-18. District grant application forms, Terms and Conditions, Timeline, and FAQ are available on DaCdb under Files, Secure Files. Applications must be submitted directly to Robin Broomall at address provided on the application form.

**5** Your Rotary Club must be current with their payments/dues to the District and Rotary International, and current with reports for previously awarded grants. Two people from your club must attend a District 7630 Grant Management Seminar in Spring 2017.

**6** Your club may apply for only ONE District Grant per year as the primary club applicant.

**7** Your project must be implemented and completed within the Rotary year that it was funded, and cannot begin without permission of the Grants Committee.

**8** Projects that were previously funded by a District Grant are not eligible for additional funding to the same club/clubs in consecutive years.

**9** International projects and activities, not requiring a partnering Rotary Club, can qualify for District Grant funding.

**10** The Sub-Committee may or may not fund 100% of the requested amount. The committee may or may not provide any funding to a project.



## ROTARY DISTRICT 7630 ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Thursday April 27 -  
Sunday April 30

Dover Downs, 1131 N. DuPont  
Highway, Dover, DE

- Workshops to Enhance Your Rotary Experience
- Informative Speakers
- Awards and Presentations
- Fun & Games at Dover Downs
- Thursday Golf Outing
- Fellowship, Networking, Meet New Rotary Friends!

*Convention agenda, reservation information, and more information to come!*



## ROTARY INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION

June 10-14, Atlanta, Georgia

*Register Before March 31 to Beat the Price Increase!*

<http://www.riconvention.org/en/atlanta/register>

- Hear Bill Gates Keynote Address
- Celebrate The Rotary Foundation's 100th Birthday
- Meet Inspiring People From All Over the World
- Strengthen Your Passion for Rotary
- Enjoy Special Events and Tours around Atlanta

**11** The Sub-Committee will notify all applicants by e-mail before June 30, 2017 of their funding award. In the event an application does not receive funding, notification of the non-award will also be made, along with an explanation of why it was not funded.

**12** Grant activities must not be carried out until after the District Grants Sub-Committee issues an official notice-to-proceed. This notice will come after approval of the District Spending Plan by Rotary International. Notification is expected on or around July 31, 2017. DO NOT START WITHOUT OFFICIAL NOTICE-TO-PROCEED.

**13** You will be required to submit Final reports and all supporting documentation, including invoices, receipts, and canceled checks to the District 7630 District Grants Committee. Please keep careful and organized documentation of all activities related to the project.

Thank you to the many wonderful Rotarians who, over the years, have done amazing things through this District Grant program. Your efforts have truly made a difference in your respective communities throughout District 7630.

*We look forward to reviewing your club's project for the 2017-2018 Rotary year!*

## BILL GATES TO GIVE KEYNOTE ADDRESS AT ROTARY INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION IN ATLANTA!

### A SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM JOHN F. GERM, PRESIDENT OF ROTARY INTERNATIONAL:

"I am thrilled to announce that Bill Gates will be speaking this June at the Rotary International Convention in Atlanta. Rotary and the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation have been working together on polio eradication for a long time, and our strong partnership will continue through the final years of the effort."

"Bill and his wife, Melinda, in their much-anticipated Annual Letter ( [https://www.gatesnotes.com/2017-Annual-Letter?WT.mc\\_id=02\\_14\\_2017\\_02\\_AL2017\\_TLK-TLK\\_&WT.src=TLKTLK](https://www.gatesnotes.com/2017-Annual-Letter?WT.mc_id=02_14_2017_02_AL2017_TLK-TLK_&WT.src=TLKTLK) ), offer a glimpse of their appreciation for Rotary and the incredible progress we've made toward polio eradication through our joint effort with national governments, UNICEF, the World Health Organization, and the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention."

With the most effective resources in place, it's possible that we have seen, or soon will see, the last case of polio in history. At the convention, Bill will say more about how we can — and will — end polio together.

I hope you will join me and Bill at the Rotary International Convention in Atlanta, Georgia, USA, June 10-14, 2017. This is one speaker you're not going to want to miss. Register now!"



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