

THE ROTARY FOUNDATION OF ROTARY INTERNATIONAL

2006-2007

District 6250 Simplified Grant #59193 (\$8,904.00)

SAMPLE GRANT APPLICATION

<b>Club Name</b>	Your Club Name Here
<b>Project Name</b>	Project Title-Literacy In Madison
<b>Primary Contact</b>	Project Coordinator
<b>Primary Contact Phone &amp; E-Mail</b>	Info for Project Coordinator
<b>Secondary Contact</b>	As it says
<b>Secondary Contact Phone &amp; E-Mail</b>	Same info as needed for project coordinator
<b>Club Mailing Address</b>	CLUB mailing address, not that of contact!
<b>What is the Purpose of This Project? Please describe Project.</b>	<p>Please tell a story. <i>Example of bad description for the literacy project.</i> Increase literacy in Madison. A good description utilizes the criteria and provides background information. This is YOUR project. Take pride in it and tell us about it! Note literacy IS humanitarian in nature. In general, Madison has a literacy rate of 96%. However, in the group of children at 200% of the poverty level, the rate plummets to 85%. Studies have shown that getting books into the hands of children by the age of 6 increases literacy rates by 35% in the target population. The goal of this project is to get 2 books into the hands of every child ages 5-7 at or below the 200% poverty level in Madison. There are 5000 children in this target population, requiring raising of funds for 10,000 books to be distributed. The Rotary Club will be soliciting help from a variety of community clubs (evidence of public participation) and individuals to make this project happen. Local officials will also be involved in aiding us finalize the list of recipients. We expect this will increase the literacy rate, providing each of those children with greater means with which to meet the future. <i>What will the Rotarians do? What is their involvement?</i> In our club of 50, we expect that over 50% of the club will be actively participating in this project. At least five will be soliciting area bookstores for new books. We will also be asking the people of Madison to donate at a variety of drop off locations and expect many of our members to participate. In addition to receiving donations, we will also be purchasing books from local retailers. All funds will be disseminated through our Rotary club. (Note oversight of grant funds) Once the books have been received, several of our members will coordinate the distribution of all books to all children.</p>
<b>Is this Project?</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Local Community <input type="checkbox"/> International Community
<b>How will this project meet the needs of the community?</b>	<p>Reiterate the need. Saying "it will improve the literacy rate" is not enough. As noted, there is a great need in the community to increase the literacy rate, especially that of poorer students. Area parents in this target group have asked for ways in which they can help improve their situation. Our Rotary club is proud to take up the cause and we believe this project will enhance understanding of Rotary as well as improve the literacy rate. (Note development of stronger Rotary network)</p>
<b>Club Commitment?</b>	\$3000.00

<b>DSG Request?</b>	<b>\$3000.00</b>
<b>Budget – Items to be Purchased?</b>	<b>Books-\$6000.00</b>

By signing below, our club accepts the responsibility for completing and submitting interim and final reports to the District 6250 Rotary Foundation Grants Committee Chair every 6 months for the duration of the project. We further understand that our project must be completed by September 30, 2006.

**Coordinator signature here**

**SIGNATURE**

**DATE**

Before submitting your District Simplified Grant Application, please take a moment to review this checklist. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the District Grants Committee Chair [see below].

**Review everything below and check off all boxes when completed!**

- We have reviewed the Terms and Conditions for the District Simplified Grants [DSG].
- We understand that, if our project is approved for a DSG, we are responsible for completing interim and final reports of the use of the DSG, fulfilling our stewardship of Rotary Foundation funds.
- Have you made copies of all documents for your files prior to submitting them to the District Rotary Foundation Grants Committee Chair?



### **DISTRICT SIMPLIFIED GRANT CRITERIA**

*[Please review "Terms & Conditions" of DSG prior to completing your application.*

*Go to The Rotary Foundation Website [www.rotary.org](http://www.rotary.org) to The Rotary Foundation icon; Humanitarian Grants to "Materials for Download" to District Simplified Grants "Terms & Conditions".]*

**1. PROJECT SCORING [will be scored 1-5]**

[You will want to include details of the following in your application]

- Community needs/supports this project
- Committee of at least 3 Rotarians
- Oversight of Grant Funds
- Significant Rotary involvement in implementation
- Evidence of community involvement
- Meetings with local stakeholders
- Promotion of project in media
- Build stronger Rotary network
- Satisfy a real humanitarian need in the community
- Could this project qualify for a Rotary Foundation Matching Grant?
- Club support of The Rotary Foundation

**2. REQUIRED**

- Specific Budget
- Paid to a Rotary Club
- Reporting requirements of past projects complete?
- Revolving Loan requirements met [if applicable]
- Low Cost Shelter guidelines met? [if applicable]

**3. INELIGIBLE PROJECTS**

- Establishment of a foundation or trust
- Benefit to a Rotarian or the relative of a Rotarian
- Reimbursement of completed or existing projects
- Activities of non-Rotary organization

- Purchase of land and buildings
- Construction of any structure
- Salaries or stipends for cooperating organizations
- Operating or administrative expenses
- International travel

**Return completed application to:**      **Theresa Carroll, District 6250 Grants Committee Chair**  
**68 S Blackhawk Street**  
**Janesville, WI 53545**  
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