



District Grant Report

Rotary Club: La Mirada
Project Title: Student Scholarship 2014-2015 P-687

Progress Report Final Report

1. Briefly describe the project. What was done, when and where did project activities take place, and who were the beneficiaries?

In keeping with Rotary’s focus on basic education and literacy, the Rotary Club of La Mirada is preparing to provide some \$4,000 in scholarships to a number of graduating students from the City of La Mirada to further their education at the college level.

It is anticipated the Rotary Club will provide several \$1,000 and \$500 scholarships for graduating students at La Mirada High School in May, 2015. Rotarians anticipate providing a total of \$4,000 in scholarships with \$2,000 being provided via a District Matching Grant and a \$2,000 matching amount provided by the Rotary Club of La Mirada. Members of the Rotary Club have also sought additional contributions to the scholarship fund, which may be used to award more scholarships based upon student need, academic performance and community service. Winners will be selected by a committee of club members. Funds will be given to the La Mirada Community Foundation, a 501 (c) (3) non-profit corporation, which will distribute the funds as appropriate.

The majority of the scholarship applications are anticipated to be from the Interact Club sponsored by the Rotary Club of La Mirada and participants in La Mirada’s Youth In Government program. Application forms were distributed on campus by the Rotary Club members in early 2015. Applications will be screened and applicants selected by Rotary Club members based upon a combination of academic performance, economic need, and demonstrated activity in terms of community service. Applications will be accepted in April 2015, and recipients will be announced in May, 2015. The Rotary Club will provide checks by May 10, 2015 for the scholarship funds to the La Mirada Community Foundation, a 501 (c) 3 non-profit foundation serving the area. The Foundation will arrange for the proper distribution of the scholarship funds for the student’s educational needs in accordance with Rotary requirements. Club funds to support this project will be raised through sales at an annual fireworks booth. Formal presentation of scholarships will be made by Rotarians during commencement events in June 2015. Recipients will also be recognized at a Rotary Club meeting. Scholarship recipients will be announced in press releases to local newspapers, blogs, newsletters, etc. This publicity will enhance the profile of Rotary in the local community, reinforce the community’s awareness of Rotary activities, and underscore Rotary’s support for educational excellence and community service in La Mirada.

2. How many Rotarians participated in the project?

More than 15 Rotarians participated in some portion of the Scholarship project; raising funds at the fireworks booth, planning the scholarship; program, preparing and distributing applications, speaking with students, reviewing applications and working with the Foundation.

3. What did they do? Please give at least two examples.

Rotarians helped to raise funds for the club contribution to the project by working at the annual fireworks booth operated by the club. Members also prepared and distributed scholarship applications, spoke with interested students, reviewed applications for scholarships, and coordinated efforts with the La Mirada Community Foundation to distribute the funds.

4. How many non-Rotarians benefited from this project?

The Rotary Club of La Mirada is expected to award approximately six scholarships to individual students. The number of scholarships awarded may be increased or decreased based upon the quality of applications received and evidence of financial need.

5. What are the expected long-term community impacts of the project?

Benefits to students who receive scholarships to further their education are expected to last a lifetime. Their educations will open doors to new opportunities throughout their lives. Both they and their families should benefit from enhanced earning capability in the future.

6. If a cooperating organization was involved, what was its role?

The La Mirada Community Foundation, a local non-profit organization, agreed to distribute the funds contributed by the Rotary Club of La Mirada for student scholarships. The City of La Mirada assisted in promoting the scholarships to students involved in its Youth in Government program. The Norwalk-La Mirada Unified School District and La Mirada High School cooperated with the Rotary Club of La Mirada's efforts to reach out to students regarding the scholarship program.

Financial Report – Be sure that Income equals Expenditures!

7. Income

Amount

1. District Grant funds approved by the District	\$2,000
2. Club contribution	\$2,000
3. Other funding (specify)	
Total Project Income	

8. Expenditures - please be specific and add lines as needed - receipts must be attached

1. Student Scholarships Donation to La Mirada Community Foundation	\$4,000
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Total Project Expenditures	

9. By signing this report, I confirm that to the best of my knowledge these District Grant funds were spent only for eligible items in accordance with Trustee-approved guidelines, and that all of the information contained herein is true and accurate. Receipts for all grant-funded expenditures have been provided to the district. I also understand that all photographs submitted in connection with this report will become the property of RI and will not be returned. I warrant that I own all rights in the photographs, including copyright, and hereby grant RI and TRF a royalty free irrevocable license to use the photographs now or at any time in the future, throughout the world in any manner it so chooses and in any medium now known or later developed. This includes the right to modify the photograph(s) as necessary in RI's sole discretion. This also includes, without limitation, use on or in the web sites, magazines, brochures, pamphlets, exhibitions and any other promotional materials of RI and TRF.

Certifying Signature

Hal Malkin

Date: 04/28/2015

Print name, Rotary title, and club

Hal Malkin, Secretary Rotary Club of La Mirada