



## ROTARY DISTRICT 6950 DISTRICT SIMPLIFIED GRANTS FOR 2007-2008

**DISTRICT SIMPLIFIED GRANTS (DSG)** must support projects that are humanitarian or educational in nature. Primary consideration will be given to projects that will positively affect a community with special emphasis on helping those that are less fortunate. A secondary consideration will be the club's support of The Rotary Foundation (TRF) during the previous year.

**OTHER REQUIREMENTS:** Rotarians from your club must actively participate in giving their time and resources to be eligible to receive a DSG. You will be required to submit an interim and/or final report. The final report must include receipts for all purchases for the project, copies of checks used to purchase items for the project and pictures of Rotarian involvement in the project. Also, any unspent funds must be returned to the District.

**GRANT AMOUNTS:** The District Simplified Grants will be a dollar for dollar match for each dollar contributed by the sponsoring club(s). The maximum grant will be \$2,000 per club and \$4,000 for two or more clubs. During the initial application period (July and August, 2007) a club may only participate in one grant. For example, if a club submits an individual application they may not also be part of another group application. Assuming there are still funds after the first period they could be part of a group in the second period. There is a total of \$24,500 available this year.

**INITIAL SUBMISSION DATES:** Applications may be mailed or faxed to our District Simplified Grant Chairperson between July 1 and August 31. All applications *must be received by August 31<sup>st</sup> at 5:00 p.m.* Applications that are incomplete will be returned to the sponsoring club. Application forms may be obtained on the District web site [www.rotary6950.org](http://www.rotary6950.org) and look for related links.

### **APPLICATIONS MUST BE SUBMITTED TO:**

**BY MAIL:**                    **Dora Hunt**  
   **2901 Hwy 44 West**  
   **Inverness, FL 34453**

**OR BY FAX:**                **352-637-0984**

**APPROVAL PROCESS:** On or about September 15<sup>th</sup> the District Simplified Grants Committee will meet and make a decision as to which applications will be approved. Clubs will be notified of the committee's decision by September 22, 2007. Do not expect any disbursement of funds until after October 1, 2007.

**SECOND SUBMISSION DATES:** If there are funds remaining after the committee meets in September, club presidents and club foundation chairs will be notified of the remaining funds and applications will be accepted again. For the second submission, applications may be mailed or faxed between October

1<sup>st</sup> and October 31<sup>st</sup>. (No applications will be accepted during the month of September.

**APPROVAL PROCESS:** On or about November 17<sup>th</sup> the DSG Committee will meet and decide which applications will be approved. Clubs will be notified of the committee's decision by November 24, 2007.

**THE ROTARY FOUNDATION DOES NOT ALLOW DISTRICT SIMPLIFIED GRANTS TO BE USED FOR THE FOLLOWING:**

**A District Simplified Grant may not:**

1. establish a permanent fund, trust or permanent interest bearing account.
2. directly benefit a Rotarian, employee of a club, district or other Rotary entity, spouse, or lineal descendant of a living Rotarian.
3. be used to reimburse clubs/districts for projects already undertaken and in progress, an existing project or a project that has already been completed.
4. be used for the purchase of land or buildings
5. be used for construction of any structure in which individuals live, work or engage in gainful activity.
6. be used for renovations of structures including the provision of new services or upgrade of utilities (i.e., electrical and plumbing) in which people live, work or engage in gainful activity such as buildings, containers, and homes.
7. be used for salaries, stipends, or honorariums.
8. support the operating or administrative expenses of any organization.
9. be used as donations to cooperating or benefiting organizations.
10. be used for international travel or fund raising activities.

**PLEASE NOTE THAT THE ABOVE RULES ARE RULES OF THE ROTARY FOUNDATION THAT OUR DISTRICT MUST COMPLY WITH. THEY ARE NOT RULES MADE BY OUR DISTRICT GOVERNOR, FOUNDATION CHAIRPERSON OR DISTRICT SIMPLIFIED GRANTS CHAIRPERSON.**

**SAMPLE PROJECTS**  
**engaged in by D6950 Clubs in the past**

Playground equipment for a domestic violence center

Summer reading program for children with poor reading skills

Water fountains in 2 public parks

Christmas shopping for underprivileged children

Provide materials for a graphic arts program

Books provided local schools and after school programs

Diabetes testing strips provided to a Free Clinic

Provide a maintenance cart for a Youth Athletic Association

Large public clock for town center

Dictionaries for 3<sup>rd</sup> grade students

Closets and storage for a center providing food & clothing to the poor

Specialized tricycles for training handicapped children

Duffle bags of clothing, shoes and toiletries for foster children

Computers for a mentally ill center that will offer an opportunity to learn living  
and employment skills for individuals living with mental illness

Upgrading the Kitty Cabana area of an SPCA

Books & school supplies for a school in New Orleans after Hurricane Katrina

Adopt families at Christmas for dinner and gifts

Waiting room redecorated for rape & abuse clinic

Paving the streets of Safety Town to provide a safe environment to teach grade  
school children about traffic safety