

**Rotary International
Rotary District 5340**

Rotary Foundation District Grant Final Report

Must be filed electronically on: <http://www.matchinggrants.org/district/>

Grant Information (to be completed by District Grant contact)

1. District Grant # (check website for #) P-1428
2. Name of District Grant **Shoes for School Children**
3. Briefly describe the grant and list any changes that might have occurred (100 words or less)

1389 new shoe pairs were distributed to impoverished children near and in the city of Medellin Colombia. 310 were Crock-like style shoes and 1079 were tennis-like school shoes. The average cost of shoes distributed is \$5.96 per pair. The NGO Shoes to the World added an additional \$334.93 to be able to provide shoes to all the children of the final and much needed last distribution. These new shoes replaced worn out shoes that in most cases were ill-fitting and fungus/bacteria ridden.

4. Provide a brief (100 words or less) of lessons learned in implementing this grant and how this will improve future grant funded project

Del Mar Solana Beach Rotary with help from Host Rotary Medellin El Poblado and NGO Shoes to the World, we were able to reach children in remote areas that strengthened love and affection shown through the gift of shoes from total strangers. The children were elated to have their first pair of new shoes! Their self-confidence was built by the thought that total strangers would place such value on them to give them a brand new pair of shoes, and the ones that received school shoes realized the importance that total strangers placed in their education to make sure they had the shoes required to attend school. Every child received and gave a hug. They were made aware this was a gift of love! This love from strangers called "Rotarians" is what the lessons learnt.

5. How has your Club or community been impacted by this grant?
(Check all that apply)

Involvement of Rotarians in our Club in humanitarian grants has increased.
 Our Club's international Rotary networks have been strengthened.
 Annual giving to the Rotary Foundation in our Club has increased.
 Club membership has increased.
 Our Club's awareness of the needs in our community has increased.
 Participation in a District Grant has not changed our Club in any significant way
 Others: _____

6. Given your experience, please provide any suggestions you believe would improve District Grants and the process to receive and implement them.

None

5. Financial Summary

Amount of District Grant funds received: \$7000

Amount of Club funds used in grant: \$5000 (No DDF from D5340)

Amount of other funds used in grant: \$1000 Medellin Club + \$1000 DDF

