

Rotary Opens Opportunities

District/Governor's/Rotaract Grant Final Report 2020-2021

This report must be completed and uploaded on matchinggrants.org within 30 days after completion of the project but no later than 2 years after the date of approval of the project. For scholarships, the report is due 30 days after payment of funds.

District Grant # ((from matchinggrants.org)	P-3423

Rotary Club: The Rotary Club of Fort Collins

Project Title: Single Parent Crisis Relief

Project Description:

- 1. Is this a scholarship governor's grant report? Yes ____ No _X (If yes, go directly to line 16)
- 2. Briefly describe the project. What was done and where did the project activities take place? Explain how the beneficiaries and other community members were involved?

Project Self-Sufficiency is a non-profit organization in Larimer County that assists low-income, single parents in their efforts to achieve economic independence and become free from community and government assistance while building and maintaining strong, healthy families.

In the wake of COVID-19 and the resulting business closures and economic impact, Project Self-Sufficiency is in need of emergency funding to support its single-parent families as many were laid off or saw reduced work hours from their only source of income.

Through this project, we purchased 100 \$60 Kroger Corporate Gift Cards (valid at all of Kroger's family of stores including King Soopers) that we then packaged up into care packages for Project Self-Sufficiency participants and their families. Also included in the packages were Rotary Club of Fort Collins branded bags and hand-written letters of encouragement.

- 3. How many Rotarians participated in this project? 15
- 4. What did they do? Please give at least two examples.

We hosted a community service project with 15 of our Rotary Club of Fort Collins members to join in putting the care packages together and writing the letters of encouragement, then distributing to the participants.

The community service project took place at Speedpro Fort Collins, a local business owned by one of the Rotary Club of Fort Collins members during one of our regular evening meetings.

The gift card packages were distributed to 100 participant families throughout Fort Collins and Loveland.

- 5. How many non-Rotarians benefited from this project? ____100___
- 6. Who are the beneficiaries and what is the expected long-term community impact of this project?

The beneficiaries are Project Self-Sufficient Participants, single parents who are trying to get an education and improve their lives for themselves AND their children. In the wake of COVID-19, many of the participants had their work hours reduced and/or were laid off from their jobs. Our gift card donations helped them to remove barriers (like deciding between groceries and rent, or keeping their heat on) so that they can continue to work toward their career goals ultimately helping to create a stronger tomorrow for Larimer County.

The long-term community impacts of this include:

Multi-generational support – these gifts supported their CHILDREN, changing the futures of generations to come - generations that will one day lead our community

Creating a stronger tomorrow for Larimer County – these gifts help to contribute to a stronger workforce for our community!

7. If a cooperating organization was involved, what was their role?

Project Self-Sufficiency worked to select the participant families that would receive the funding.

8. Income:

Income Source	Amount
Rotary Club of Fort Collins	\$2,000
Rotary District 5440	\$4,000
Total Project Income	\$6,000

9. Expenditures: (number receipts starting with 1 and indicate a receipt # (s) for each expenditure) (Do not include travel expenses)

If international project convert amounts to	Receipt # (s)	Budgeted	Actual
US dollars		Amount	Amount
Kroger Gift Cards	1	\$6,000	\$5,760

Total project expenditures	\$6,000	\$5,760

10. Please explain any variance of more than 5% between the budgeted amount and the actual amount including the reason for the variance and why the alternative was chosen.

We received a discount on the Gift Card purchase because I signed our club up for a Kroger Corporate Membership which resulted in a discount dependent on the purchase size (the discount was \$240.00).

11. Project score (5=strongly, 4=agree, 3= neutral, 2=disagree, 1=strongly disagree)

	Project Score	Comments
The overall project was successful	5	
The grant process worked well	5	
My interaction with partner clubs was good	5	
We achieved the results we expected	5	

12. Did you upload photos in your project on matchinggrants.org under the Photos tab? (If not, please do so)

Yes

13. What worked well on this project and why?

The project went smoothly despite COVID-19 resulting in limited group participation.

14. What did not work well and how would you suggest improving it?

N/A

15. How was this project publicized?

Through social media, in Project Self-Sufficiency's newsletter, Old Town Media's newsletter and through club communication.

16. Scholarship Governor's grant only

- a. Name of scholarship awardee _____
- b. Current school
- c. University of college they will be attending ______

d. Course of study _____ e. Starting date

Project Inventory

Please list all items provided in this grant that are over \$500 in value and are not expendable.

Item Purchased	Date of Purchase	Cost	Initial Destination/ Location	Comments

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 the information contained herein is true and accurate. Receipts for all grant-funded expenditures are attached. 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 to the photographs, including copyright, and hereby grant the District, RI and TRF a royalty free irrevocable license to use the photographs now or in the future, through the District and the world in any manner it so chooses and in any medium now known or developed. This includes the right to modify the photographs as necessary in the District's and 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 the District, RI, and TRF.

Please attach all receipts or an invoice and a copy of the check used to pay the invoice. Funds over \$100 not used must be returned to the district grants treasurer.

Certifying signature of primary contact

_____ Date: ____3/23/2013

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