



District/Governor's/Rotaract Grant Final Report 2021-2022

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District Grant # (from matchinggrants.org) P-3916

Rotary Club: **Rotary Club of Estes Park**

Project Title: **Playground—Amaro Tan School**

Project Description: Install playground equipment at the Amaro Tan School in Pogradec, Albania

1. Is this a scholarship governor's grant report? Yes No (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?

Amaro Tan is a school in Pogradec, Albania for Roma, Balkan Egyptian, and at-risk Albanian children in kindergarten-9th grade, operated by Nehemiah Gateway. In addition to the state-required curriculum, Amaro Tan offers an array of social and humanitarian supports including daily hot meals, family support, and medical and dental care. There are 132 students enrolled this year.

Prior to this grant, the playground for the youngest children consisted of some tires, a decrepit wooden shed, and a depleted sandbox ("before" pictures are on the [matchinggrants](http://matchinggrants.org) website). Rotary grant funding was used to replace these facilities with a modern play structure with slide, swing set, teeter totter, and new, replenished sandbox. The new playground is enjoyed every day and will see daily use for years to come.

Nehemiah Gateway staff planned and designed the playground and ordered the equipment, while installation was carried out by NG staff and some outside contractors due to time constraints.

3. How many Rotarians participated in this project? 2

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

Michelle and Doug Mann are members of the Rotary Club of Estes Park. Michelle visited Albania before the project took place and provided input on design as well as reporting to the club on the need for a better playground. Doug attended the opening of the playground, witnessing the children's first opportunity to play there. He filmed the event and has shared the experience with his club in Estes Park.

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

Approximately 20-30 young children per year are the primary beneficiaries, while about 50 older children use the swings every week (they are too big to use the other equipment safely). Each year, new students will get to use the playground.

6. Who are the beneficiaries and what is the expected long-term community impact of this project?

Students at the Amaro Tan School (now and in the future) are the beneficiaries. A safe and fun place to play is developmentally beneficial for children. It lets these children, who come from families living in extreme poverty, that they are as worthy as anyone of a safe, fun place to play. It increases the positive association they have with school. In this community, where attrition is a perennial problem, anything that increases the positive association with school is a benefit.

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

Nonprofit organization Nehemiah Gateway runs the Amaro Tan School. As such, it hosts the new playground at the school and was responsible for planning and installation, as well as ongoing maintenance and upkeep.

8. Income:

Income Source	Amount
Rotary Club of Estes Park	\$2000
District 5440 (DDF)	\$2000
Total Project Income	\$4000

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 US dollars	Receipt # (s)	Budgeted Amount	Actual Amount
Play structure with slide	1	\$2000	\$2898
Teeter totter	1	\$300	\$299
Sand box rebuild and refill	2	\$300	\$198
Wooden swingset	2	\$800	\$224
Playground surfaces and play structure foundations	2	\$600	\$587
Total project expenditures		\$4000	\$4206

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.

Between the time the proposal was submitted and funding was announced, a vendor NG was considering working with went out of business, and we had to go with a different vendor for the play structure, which explains the difference in cost. In order to ensure a sturdy, attractive product, we also produced the swingset in-house instead of buying one, at a lower cost.

As in much of the world, the cost of materials increased dramatically in Albania in 2021, which accounted for other variances between our proposal budget and actual expenditures.

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)

13. What worked well on this project and why?

This project went as expected—the team was able to work within the budget to build a new playground at Amaro Tan, and the kids love it. One unanticipated aspect of the project was that the older students at the school longed for their own new playground. Fortunately, the swings were built to accommodate older children as well as the little ones, and we have been able to let them use the swings when the little kids aren't using it.

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

All went well on this project!

15. How was this project publicized?

Word of mouth; NG Social media channels, NG publications, local newspapers in Estes Park

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
Play structure with slide	Fall 2021	\$2898	Amaro Tan School, Pogradec	

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 Jack Boatman Date: 1/5/22
Print name Jack Boatman

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RECEIPT #1 translation and explanation. Original is attached

Nr.	Përshkrimi i Mallit ose Shërbimit Njësia e Matjes Sasia	Çmimi bruto për njësi Ulja e çmimit Çmimi bruto për njësi	Vlera e zbritjes Vlera e shtesës Vlera neto pa TVSH	Kodi i TVSH Shkalla e TVSH
1	Loje me rreshkitese Copë 1	258 333,33 310 000,00	0,00 0,00 258 333,33	S-VAT 20
2	Peshore per 2 Femije Copë 1	26 666,67 32 000,00	0,00 0,00 26 666,67	S-VAT 20
TOTAL NË ALL				
Shumat totale neto të artikujve:		285 000,00 ALL		
Shuma totale pa TVSH:		285 000,00 ALL		
Shuma totale e TVSH-se:		57 000,00 ALL		
Shuma totale me TVSH:		342 000,00 ALL		
Shuma e paguar:		0,00 ALL		
Shuma totale e mbetur për t'u paguar:		342 000,00 ALL		

In English

1. Loje me rreshkitese – slide: 310,000 ALL, in USD **\$2,898**
2. Peshore – balance: 32,000 ALL, in USD **\$ 299**

Total sum: 342,000 ALL, in USD **\$3,197**

RECEIPT #2 translation and explanation. Note that not everything on this list is playground grant project related. The purchase was managed by NG's purchasing agent along with some other work not related to the playground project. The grant expenditures are listed below in English.

12	Germim dheu +transport tek kendi lojrave	m ²	16.0	900	14,400	
13	Zall lumi +nivelim tek kendi lojrave	m ²	12.0	2,700	32,400	
14	Bordure betoni +vendosje	cop	12.0	950	11,400	
15	Germim dheu tek gropa e reres+transport	m ³	2.4	900	2,160	
16	Rere kuarci tek lodrat	m ²	3.5	2,800	9,800	
17	Beton per bazamentet e lodrave	m ³	1.3	9,500	12,350	
18	Bordura te medhaja +vendosje	cop	3.0	1,200	3,600	
19	Lishares prej druri me dy vende	komplet	1.0	24,000	24,000	
20	Rrjete teli gomuar per fushen	m ²	160.0	300	48,000	
21	Tapet bari sintetik	m ²	22.5	1,500	33,750	
22	Transport me kamioncine	rruge	3.0	1,500	4,500	
23	Rrjete najloni per fushen nga lart	m ²	300.0	100	30,000	
					439,410	
					Shuma	439,410
					TVSH 20%	87,882
					SHUMA TOTALE	527,292

- Digging dirt and transportation - 14,400 lek
- Gravel and leveling - 32,400 lek
- Concrete facets for the sand box – 11,400 lek
- Sand – 9,800 lek
- Concrete leveling for the foundation of the slide – 15,950 lek
- Wooden swing – 24,000 lek

Total= 107,950 lek

In US Dollars = \$ 1,010

Other expenses mentioned in the bill are not related to the playground

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10/6/2021

PAY TO THE ORDER OF Nehemiah Gateway USA

\$ **4,000.00

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DOLLARS

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Boulder, CO 80301-1045



Ronney L. Parker
AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE

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Grant Project: P-3916 Playground Equipment

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