

District Grant Final Report 2023-2024

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 # P-4602

Rotary Club: Greeley Centennial

Project Title: Center for the Rehabilitation of Wildlife (C.R.O.W.)

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?

Application Narrative: The purpose of this project is to provide for the replacement replenishment of needed veterinary supplies to support the Center for the Rehabilitation Of Wildlife, which has been significantly impacted by the recent weather event associated with Hurricane Ian in Sanibel Island, Florida.

Significant weather events impact people and also animals. The Center for the Rehabilitation Of Wildlife (CROW) is a non-profit in southern Florida that has been saving wildlife and educating people in the area of veterinary science for nearly 50 years. The recent impact of Hurricane Ian in Florida in fall 2022 has had a devastating effect on CROW on Sanibel Island. Here is a little information about CROW from its website (www.crowclinic.org/articles/about-crow):

The CROW Mission: "The Clinic for the Rehabilitation of Wildlife is a teaching hospital and visitor education center dedicated to saving wildlife through state-of-the-art veterinary care, research, education and conservation medicine."

"CROW's Visitor Education Center (VEC) offers behind-the-scenes views into CROW's animal care through live camera feeds, interactive displays and daily presentations by students, staff and volunteers. Each year, CROW cares for more than 5,000 wildlife patients including more than 200 species of sick, injured and orphaned wildlife in its veterinary hospital, which is one of the nation's leading rehabilitation facilities for native and migratory wildlife.

CROW offers educational fellowships and externship programs for undergraduate students, and internship programs for veterinarian graduates.

Volunteers are the cornerstone of CROW and each year more than 200 volunteers dedicate thousands of hours helping rescue, care for and rehabilitate wildlife.

What Sets CROW Apart

- CROW accepts all native wildlife in need of care including migratory birds.
- CROW employs a full-time veterinarian who is Board Certified in avian medicine and surgery with a number of years' experience working with wildlife and experienced wildlife rehabilitators.
- CROW offers immediate on-site critical care such as pain management, surgery and radiography, while also providing for long-term rehabilitation.
- CROW offers a student program unique in its scope, with opportunities for college-age or older students at all levels of learning -- including veterinary interns.
- CROW has a high case-load with a rich variety of wildlife species not encountered at many other rehabilitation centers."

CROW currently has many needs as it seeks to continue to serve animals in need and educate the public and veterinary interns about animal rescue and rehabilitation. Our Rotary club has a connection with the Rotary Club of Sanibel Island, where club members frequently volunteer and or work for CROW. We would like to help support this organization with some of its immediate needs, which have been exacerbated by the recent hurricane season.

Describe the benefit to the community and/or improve lives:

This project will primarily support the area of focus of Rotary International of Community Development: Disaster Recovery. Providing essential veterinary supplies for this organization will help it continue to fulfill its mission and serve the wildlife impacted by recent events.

Sustainability:

Members of our club have established relationships with club members from Sanibel Island and CROW over the years. CROW has a strong network of volunteer support, along with a stable staff and students

Active Rotarian Involvement:

The Greeley Centennial Rotary Club has been active in collaborating with CROW in the recent months to better understand the current needs, educate our club members, and begin to provide support to help the staff and animals recuperate from Hurricane Ian.

Total Project Budget: \$3,750.00

- 3. **How many Rotarians participated in this project?** Two Rotarians coordinated efforts with this project.
- 4. What did they do? Please give at least two examples.

Rotarians Marlin Frank and Matt Thompson (Greeley Centennial Rotary) were instrumental with their club's committee in grant writing and progress monitoring the project. Marlin Frank was our primary liaison in communication with our CROW counterparts to receive project updates, including pictures and

receipts. He has personally visited CROW and maintains relationships with other Rotarians who are in leadership roles with the CROW organization.

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

It is hard to gauge how many non-Rotarians benefit from this project, as the greater beneficiaries are the 6,296 injured wildlife saved and serviced by the CROW organization annually. While rehabilitation efforts are one part of CROW's mission, education is another. CROW utilizes over 250 volunteers each year, and this new refrigeration unit allows them to better service the animals.

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

The immediate beneficiaries of this project include the staff, volunteers, and rehabilitated animals. Additionally, CROW provides education to visitors to the center in Sanibel Island, Florida.

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

The Center for the Rehabilitation Of Wildlife (CROW) administration and employees helped to organize a needs assessment, purchasing, and grant documentation efforts. They will continue to be partners with our newfound relationship as we seek to learn about wildlife rehabilitation and sustainability efforts

8. Income:

Income Source	Amount
Greeley Centennial Rotary Match	\$1,230.00
District 5440 Match	\$2,460.00
Financial Contribution from CROW	\$ 394.88
Total Project Income	\$4,084.88

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

Item #	Description	Total
1	Replacement of damaged refrigeration unit.	\$3,229.88
2	Replacement of wire refrigeration shelving.	\$ 780.00
Total Expenses		\$4,084.88

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.

At the application process in this grant, numerous smaller items were needed by the CROW organization to aid in the immediate needs. However, by the time funds were distributed by our club, those needs had already been fulfilled. The next item of need was a replacement refrigeration unit and shelving that was damaged in during Hurricane Ian. The total cost of that unit and shelving exceeded the funds available in the grant. CROW was able to leverage additional donations to their organization to fund the total cost of the unit. Greeley Centennial Rotary and District 5440 put forth \$3,690.00 of the total project, and CROW put forth \$394.88, for a combined total of \$4,084.88. This was amenable, as it provided for the greatest current need at that time, and the additional dollars were provided for without additional financial support from our club. A revised budget has been uploaded to the matchinggrants.org website to reflect this difference.

Refrigeration Unit and Wire Shelving (Receipt # 1): \$4,084.88

Total: \$4,084.88

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

	Project Score	Comments
The overall project was successful	4	Completed with positive results.
The grant process worked well	5	
My interaction with partner clubs was good	3	
We achieved the results we expected	4	The project was beneficial to
		CROW. Communication was
		impeded due to changes with
		CROW staff and responsibilities.

12. Did you upload photos in your project on matchinggrants.org under the Photos tab? Yes

13. What worked well on this project and why?

This project was successful as it supports the needs of an innovative organization that provides for the unique needs of its community. While other Greeley Centennial Rotarians have made prior visits and have an existing relationship with CROW, this experience allowed other Rotarians in our club to learn more about CROW, its mission, and the impact that natural disasters have in other parts of our country. The grant writing process is well understood and went well, too.

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

The CROW experienced staffing changes during our implementation of the grant, and other staff was working remotely due to the extensive damage to Sanibel Island. Thus, it took multiple attempts over many months to secure the needed documentation of pictures and receipts to be able to close out this grant, even though the equipment was purchased and has been in use since March 2023. Future ideas for improving this type of situation for occurring in the future would be to secure contact information for an alternate contact or supervisor prior to starting implementation.

15. How was this project publicized?

One presentation has been made with our Greeley Centennial Rotary club to provide information about the project to club members in winter 2023. A project completion presentation will be made with our Greeley Centennial Rotary club later this winter as part of a twice annual update to club members. Efforts are ongoing to have donation information shared on the CROW website.

16. Scholarship Governor's grant only N/A

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
N/A				

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: 09/24/2023

Print name: Matt Thompson

Expenditures: Receipt #1 (3 pages): Refrigeration Unit and Wire Shelving (\$4,084.88).



03/08/2023

Invoice

Project:

Crow Allison G.R.S

Justin R. Smith VP of Sales

10880 Metro Pkw unit #B Fort Myers FI, 33966 239-208-3414 GRS 239-204-6455 Cell

EQUIPMENT PRICES, AVAILABILITY AND FREIGHT ARE CHANGING DAILY

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www.globalrestaurantsuperstore.com

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\$265.20

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Item C	Qty	Description	Net	Net Total
3	1 ea	REFRIGERATED MERCHANDISER Atosa USA, Inc. MCF8707GR Refrigerator Merchandiser, two-section, 54-2/5°W x 31-7/10°D x 83-1/10°H, bottom-mount self-contained refrigeration, 44.8 cu. ft., (2) self-closing hinged glass doors with locks, digital temperature control 33° to 38°F temperature range, (8) adjustable shelves, LED interior lighting, automatic evaporation, air defrost, stainless steel interior & exterior, galvanized steel back, 4" casters, R290 Hydrocarbon refrigerant, 1/5 HP, 115v/60/1-ph, 3.2 amps, cord, NEMA 5-15P, cETLus, ETL-Sanitation, ENERGY STAR®		\$3,229.88
	1 ea	(continental USA only)		\$3,229.88
		(contin		ental USA only) Extended Total:

Item	Qty	Description	Net	Net Total
E		Klinger's Trading S1848-GREEN Shelf, wire, 48°W x 18"D, (3) trusses, green epoxy co clips included)	oating, NSF (shelf	
4	8 ea	574POST-GREEN Post, 74"H, Green epoxy	\$12.35	\$98.80
			Extended Total:	\$364.00
7	8 ea	WIRE SHELVING	\$22.75	\$182.00
H-	-11	Klinger's Trading S1830-GREEN		
		Shelf, wire, 30"W x 18"D, (3) trusses, green epoxy co clips included)	pating, NSF (shelf	
7	8 ea	574POST-GREEN Post, 74"H, Green epoxy	\$12.35	\$98.80
			Extended Total:	\$280.80
8	3 ea	WIRE SHELVING	\$28.60	\$85.80
11	-11	Klinger's Trading S1842-GREEN		
		Shelf, wire, 42"W x 18"D, (3) trusses, green epoxy co clips included)	pating, NSF (shelf	
7	4 ea	574POST-GREEN Post, 74"H, Green epoxy	\$12.35	\$49.40
			Extended Total:	\$135.20
			Merchandise	\$4,009.88
			Delivery	\$75.00
			Subtotal	\$4,084.88
			Total	\$4,084.88

Prices Good Until: 03/17/2023