

District Grant Report

Rotary Club: RC of Chicagoland Lithuanians

Project Title: Bell tower restoration

Progress Report Final Report

- Briefly describe the project. What was done, when and where did project activities take place, and who were the beneficiaries?
The Bell tower restoration project aimed to repair and restore a historic bell tower, cross, including grading of the hill, repairing or replacing wooden parts, reinforcing the structure, and ensuring it is weather-resistant. Bell tower at the Cross Hill is located at the Lithuanian World Center, 14911 127th St, Lemont, IL 60439. Project was started 11.01.2023 and ended 5.30.2024. Beneficiaries are all Lithuanian World center's visitors.
- How many Rotarians participated in the project? 6 rotarians and 3 interactors
- What did they do? Please give at least two examples.
Rotaractors and Interactors together addressed cracked or missing parts, custom build parts to match the original design.Rebuild and reinforce parts connecting to the ground support, add additional base support block, Construct a concrete base for the bell tower.
- How many non-Rotarians benefited from this project? 400,000 visitors of Lithuanian World Center (including new and returning visitors)
- What are the expected long-term community impacts of the project? The expected long-term community impacts of the bell tower restoration project are multifaceted, touching on cultural, educational, social, and economic aspects. The involvement of the Interact Club in the restoration project has already demonstrated the potential for engaging youth in meaningful community service projects. This engagement can instill a sense of pride and responsibility in young participants, encouraging future involvement in community initiatives.

~~Financial Report - Budget that income equals Expenditures~~ Lithuanian world center. Historic bell tower is located in the Cross hill at Lithuanian World Center

7. Income	Amount
1. District Grant funds approved by the District	\$1,118
2. Club contribution	\$1,882
3. Other funding (specify)	
Total Project Income	3000

8. Expenditures - please be specific and add lines as needed - receipts must be attached

1. grading of the hill	1500
2. Cross restoration project: Repair cracked or missing cross wooden parts, custom build parts to match original design. Rebuild parts connecting to the ground support, reinforcing, and adding additional base support blocks. Rebuild original, secure loose wood shingles to make sure it is water resistant and stains the entire structure to match the original design. Including materials: wood for base support, wood for structural support, wood for design detail reconstruction, wood roof shingles. Metal anchors, metal screws. Glue and epoxy for repairs, stain, and paint for the project	1500
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9. 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 of the information contained herein is true and accurate. Receipts for all grant-funded expenditures have been provided to the district. 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 in the photographs, including copyright, and hereby grant RI and TRF a royalty free irrevocable license to use the photographs now or at any time in the future, throughout the world in any manner it so chooses and in any medium now known or later developed. This includes the right to modify the photograph(s) as necessary in 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 RI and TRF.

Certifying Signature

Sandra ScedrinaDate: 5.31.2024

Print name, Rotary title, and club

Sandra Scedrina, RC of Chicagoland Lithuanians